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2D SESSION

H. R. 1423

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 9, 2008

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a partnership with the Porter County Convention, Recreation and Visitor Commission regarding the use of the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center as a visitor center for the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. DOROTHY BUELL MEMORIAL VISITOR CENTER.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the
5 “Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center Partnership
6 Act”.

7 (b) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—The Sec-
8 retary of the Interior may enter into a memorandum of
9 understanding to establish a joint partnership with the
10 Porter County Convention, Recreation and Visitor Com-
11 mission. The memorandum of understanding shall—

12 (1) identify the overall goals and purpose of the
13 Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center;

14 (2) establish how management and operational
15 duties will be shared;

16 (3) determine how exhibits, signs, and other in-
17 formation are developed;

18 (4) indicate how various activities will be fund-
19 ed;

20 (5) identify who is responsible for providing site
21 amenities;

22 (6) establish procedures for changing or dis-
23 solving the joint partnership; and

4 (c) DEVELOPMENT OF EXHIBITS.—The Secretary
5 may plan, design, construct, and install exhibits in the
6 Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center related to the use
7 and management of the resources at Indiana Dunes Na-
8 tional Lakeshore, at a cost not to exceed \$1,500,000.

9 (d) NATIONAL LAKESHORE PRESENCE.—The Sec-
10 rotary may use park staff from Indiana Dunes National
11 Lakeshore in the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center
12 to provide visitor information and education.

13 SEC. 2. INDIANA DUNES NATIONAL LAKESHORE.

14 Section 19 of the Act entitled “An Act to provide for
15 the establishment of the Indiana Dunes National Lake-
16 shore, and for other purposes” (16 U.S.C. 460u-19) is
17 amended—

18 (1) by striking “After notifying” and inserting
19 “(a) After notifying”; and

20 (2) by adding at the end the following:

21 "(b) CONTIGUOUS CLARIFIED.—For purposes of sub-
22 section (a), lands may be considered contiguous to other
23 lands if the lands touch the other lands, or are separated

1 from the other lands by only a public or private right-
2 of-way, such as a road, railroad, or utility corridor.”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 8, 2008.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,

Clerk.