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H. R. 162

[Report No. 110–94]

To adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2007

Mr. JINDAL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

APRIL 17, 2007

Additional sponsors: Mr. McCRERY, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. BAKER

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Jean Lafitte National
3 Historical Park and Preserve Boundary Adjustment Act
4 of 2007”.

5 **SEC. 2. JEAN LAFITTE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK AND**
6 **PRESERVE BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 901 of the National Parks
8 and Recreation Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 230) is amended
9 in the second sentence by striking “twenty thousand acres
10 generally depicted on the map entitled ‘Barataria Marsh
11 Unit-Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve’
12 numbered 90,000B and dated April 1978,” and inserting
13 “23,000 acres generally depicted on the map titled
14 ‘Boundary Map, Barataria Preserve Unit, Jean Lafitte
15 National Historical Park and Preserve’, numbered 467/
16 80100, and dated August 2002,”.

17 (b) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—Section 902 of the Na-
18 tional Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 230a)
19 is amended—

20 (1) in subsection (a)—

21 (A) by striking “(a) Within the” and all
22 that follows through the first sentence and in-
23 serting the following:

24 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

25 “(1) BARATARIA PRESERVE UNIT.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may
2 acquire any land, water, and interests in land
3 and water within the boundary of the Barataria
4 Preserve Unit, as depicted on the map de-
5 scribed in section 901, by donation, purchase
6 with donated or appropriated funds, but only
7 with the consent of the owner, transfer from
8 any other Federal agency, or exchange.

9 “(B) LIMITATIONS.—

10 “(i) FEDERAL LAND.—Any Federal
11 land acquired in the areas identified on the
12 map as the ‘Bayou aux Carpes Addition’
13 and ‘CIT Tract Addition’ (the ‘Areas’)
14 shall be transferred without consideration
15 to the administrative jurisdiction of the
16 National Park Service.

17 “(ii) EASEMENTS.—Any Federal land
18 in the Areas that is transferred under
19 clause (I) shall be subject to any ease-
20 ments that have been agreed to by the Sec-
21 retary and the Secretary of the Army.

22 “(iii) PRIVATE INTERESTS.—Any pri-
23 vate land, water, or interests in land and
24 water in the Barataria Preserve Unit may

1 be acquired by the Secretary only with the
2 consent of the owner.”;

3 (B) in the second sentence, by striking
4 “The Secretary may also” and inserting the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(2) FRENCH QUARTER.—The Secretary may”;

7 (C) in the third sentence, by striking
8 “Lands, waters, and interests therein” and in-
9 serting the following:

10 “(3) ACQUISITION OF STATE LAND.—Land,
11 water, and interests in land and water”; and

12 (D) in the fourth sentence, by striking “In
13 acquiring” and inserting the following:

14 “(4) ACQUISITION OF OIL AND GAS RIGHTS.—
15 In acquiring”;

16 (2) by striking subsections (b) through (f) and
17 inserting the following:

18 “(b) RESOURCE PROTECTION.—With respect to the
19 land, water, and interests in land and water of the
20 Barataria Preserve Unit, the Secretary shall preserve and
21 protect—

22 “(1) fresh water drainage patterns;

23 “(2) vegetative cover;

24 “(3) the integrity of ecological and biological
25 systems; and

1 “(4) water and air quality.”; and

2 (3) by redesignating subsection (g) as sub-
3 section (c).

4 (c) HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING.—Section
5 905 of the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978
6 (16 U.S.C. 230d) is amended in the first sentence—

7 (1) by inserting after “Barataria Marsh Unit”
8 “, but only as to land, water, or interests in land
9 and water managed by the Secretary”; and

10 (2) by striking “within the core area” and all
11 that follows through “he may” and inserting “the
12 Secretary may”.

13 (d) ADMINISTRATION.—Section 906 of the National
14 Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 230e) is
15 amended—

16 (1) by striking the first sentence; and

17 (2) in the second sentence, by striking “Pend-
18 ing such establishment and thereafter the” and in-
19 serting “The”.

20 **SEC. 3. REFERENCES IN LAW.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Any reference in a law (including
22 regulations), map, document, paper, or other record of the
23 United States—

1 (1) to the Barataria Marsh Unit shall be con-
2 sidered to be a reference to the Barataria Preserve
3 Unit; or

4 (2) to the Jean Lafitte National Historical
5 Park shall be considered to be a reference to the
6 Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve.

7 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title IX of the
8 National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C.
9 230 et seq.) is amended—

10 (1) by striking “Barataria Marsh Unit” each
11 place it appears and inserting “Barataria Preserve
12 Unit”; and

13 (2) by striking “Jean Lafitte National Histor-
14 ical Park” each place it appears and inserting “Jean
15 Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve”.

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