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S. 346

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 SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 22, 2007

Mr. VITTER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

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

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

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

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

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) by striking “(a) Within the” and all
 18 that follows through the first sentence and in-
 19 serting the following:

20 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

21 “(1) BARATARIA PRESERVE UNIT.—

22 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may
 23 acquire any land, water, and interests in land
 24 and water within the boundary of the Barataria
 25 Preserve Unit, as depicted on the map de-
 26 scribed in section 901, by donation, purchase

1 with donated or appropriated funds, but only
 2 with the consent of the owner, transfer from
 3 any other Federal agency, or exchange.

4 “(B) LIMITATIONS.—

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

12 “(ii) EASEMENTS.—Any Federal land
 13 in the Areas that is transferred under
 14 clause (I) shall be subject to any ease-
 15 ments that have been agreed to by the Sec-
 16 retary and the Secretary of the Army.

17 “(iii) PRIVATE INTERESTS.—Any pri-
 18 vate land, water, or interests in land and
 19 water in the Barataria Preserve Unit may
 20 be acquired by the Secretary only with the
 21 consent of the owner.”;

22 (B) in the second sentence, by striking
 23 “The Secretary may also” and inserting the fol-
 24 lowing:

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

1 (C) in the third sentence, by striking
 2 “Lands, waters, and interests therein” and in-
 3 serting the following:

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

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

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

10 (2) by striking subsections (b) through (f) and
 11 inserting the following:

12 “(b) RESOURCE PROTECTION.—With respect to the
 13 land, water, and interests in land and water of the
 14 Barataria Preserve Unit, the Secretary shall preserve and
 15 protect—

16 “(1) fresh water drainage patterns;

17 “(2) vegetative cover;

18 “(3) the integrity of ecological and biological
 19 systems; and

20 “(4) water and air quality.”; and

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

23 (c) HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING.—Section
 24 905 of the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978
 25 (16 U.S.C. 230d) is amended in the first sentence—

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

4 (2) by striking “within the core area” and all
 5 that follows through “he may” and inserting “the
 6 Secretary may”.

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

10 (1) by striking the first sentence; and

11 (2) in the second sentence, by striking “Pend-
 12 ing such establishment and thereafter the” and in-
 13 serting “The”.

14 **SEC. 3. REFERENCES IN LAW.**

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

18 (1) to the Barataria Marsh Unit shall be con-
 19 sidered to be a reference to the Barataria Preserve
 20 Unit; or

21 (2) to the Jean Lafitte National Historical
 22 Park shall be considered to be a reference to the
 23 Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve.

1 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title IX of the
2 National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C.
3 230 et seq.) is amended—

4 (1) by striking “Barataria Marsh Unit” each
5 place it appears and inserting “Barataria Preserve
6 Unit”; and

7 (2) by striking “Jean Lafitte National Histor-
8 ical Park” each place it appears and inserting “Jean
9 Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve”.

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