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112TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 1090

[Report No. 112-123]

To designate as wilderness certain public land in the Cherokee National Forest in the State of Tennessee, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 26, 2011

Mr. Alexander (for himself and Mr. Corker) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

January 13, 2012

Reported under authority of the order of the Senate of December 17, 2011, by Mr. BINGAMAN, without amendment

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 "Tennessee Wilderness
- 5 Act of 2011".

1 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

- 2 In this Act:
- 3 (1) MAP.—The term "Map" means the map en-
- 4 titled "Proposed Wilderness Areas and Additions-
- 5 Cherokee National Forest" and dated January 20,
- 6 2010.
- 7 (2) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means
- 8 the Secretary of Agriculture.
- 9 (3) STATE.—The term "State" means the State
- of Tennessee.

11 SEC. 3. ADDITIONS TO CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST.

- 12 (a) Designation of Wilderness.—In accordance
- 13 with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the fol-
- 14 lowing parcels of Federal land in the Cherokee National
- 15 Forest in the State of Tennessee are designated as wilder-
- 16 ness and as additions to the National Wilderness Preser-
- 17 vation System:
- 18 (1) Certain land comprising approximately
- 19 9,038 acres, as generally depicted as the "Upper
- Bald River Wilderness" on the Map and which shall
- be known as the "Upper Bald River Wilderness".
- 22 (2) Certain land comprising approximately 348
- acres, as generally depicted as the "Big Frog Addi-
- 24 tion" on the Map and which shall be incorporated
- in, and shall be considered to be a part of, the Big
- Frog Wilderness.

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- (3) Certain land comprising approximately 630 acres, as generally depicted as the "Little Frog Mountain Addition NW" on the Map and which shall be incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part of, the Little Frog Mountain Wilderness.
 - (4) Certain land comprising approximately 336 acres, as generally depicted as the "Little Frog Mountain Addition NE" on the Map and which shall be incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part of, the Little Frog Mountain Wilderness.
 - Certain land comprising approximately 2,922 acres, as generally depicted as the "Sampson Mountain Addition" on the Map and which shall be incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part of, the Sampson Mountain Wilderness.
 - Certain land comprising approximately (6)4,446 acres, as generally depicted as the "Big Laurel Branch Addition" on the Map and which shall be incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part of, the Big Laurel Branch Wilderness.
 - Certain land comprising approximately 1,836 acres, as generally depicted as the "Joyce Kilmer-Slickrock Addition" on the Map and which shall be incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part of, the Joyce Kilmer-Slickrock Wilderness.

- 1 (b) Maps and Legal Descriptions.—
- 2 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after 3 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary 4 shall file maps and legal descriptions of the wilder-5 ness areas designated by subsection (a) with the ap-6 propriate committees of Congress.
 - (2) Public availability.—The maps and legal descriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Chief of the Forest Service and the office of the Supervisor of the Cherokee National Forest.
- 12 (3) FORCE OF LAW.—The maps and legal de-13 scriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the 14 same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-15 cept that the Secretary may correct typographical 16 errors in the maps and descriptions.
- 17 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to valid existing 18 rights, the Federal land designated as wilderness by sub19 section (a) shall be administered by the Secretary in ac20 cordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
 21 seq.), except that any reference in that Act to the effective
 22 date of that Act shall be deemed to be a reference to the
 23 date of the enactment of this Act.

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