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S. 3247

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ISAKSON 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 “West Hunter Street
5 Baptist Church Study Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

7 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior shall con-
8 duct a special resource study of the historic West Hunter

1 Street Baptist Church, located at 775 Martin Luther King
2 Jr. Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

3 (b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under sub-
4 section (a), the Secretary shall—

5 (1) evaluate the national significance of the
6 site;

7 (2) determine the suitability and feasibility of
8 designating the area as a unit of the National Park
9 System;

10 (3) consider other alternatives for preservation,
11 protection, and interpretation of the site by Federal,
12 State, or local governmental entities, or private and
13 nonprofit organizations;

14 (4) consult with interested Federal, State, or
15 local governmental entities, private and nonprofit or-
16 ganizations or any other interested individuals; and

17 (5) identify cost estimates for any Federal ac-
18 quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and
19 maintenance associated with the alternatives.

20 (c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under
21 subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with sec-
22 tion 8 of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5; commonly
23 known as the “National Park Service General Authorities
24 Act”).

1 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date
2 on which funds are first made available for the study
3 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the
4 Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-
5 resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural
6 Resources of the Senate a report containing the results
7 of the study and any conclusions and recommendations of
8 the Secretary.

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