

Union Calendar No. 275

113TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 3492

[Report No. 113–369]

To provide for the use of hand-propelled vessels in Yellowstone National Park, Grand Teton National Park, and the National Elk Refuge, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 14, 2013

Mrs. LUMMIS (for herself and Mr. BISHOP of Utah) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

FEBRUARY 28, 2014

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on November 14, 2013]

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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 “River Paddling Protec-*
5 *tion Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. REGULATIONS SUPERSEDED.**

7 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The rivers and streams of Yellow-*
8 *stone National Park and Grand Teton National Park shall*
9 *be open to hand-propelled vessels as determined by the direc-*
10 *tor of the National Park Service within 3 years of the date*
11 *of enactment of this Act. Beginning on the date that is 3*
12 *years after the date of enactment of this Act, the following*
13 *regulations shall have no the force or effect regarding closing*
14 *rivers and streams of Yellowstone National Park and Grand*
15 *Teton National Park to hand-propelled vessels:*

16 *(1) Section 7.13(d)(4)(ii) of title 36, Code of*
17 *Federal Regulations, regarding vessels on streams and*
18 *rivers in Yellowstone National Park.*

19 *(2) Section 7.22(e)(3) of title 36, Code of Federal*
20 *Regulations, regarding vessels on lakes and rivers in*
21 *Grand Teton National Park.*

22 *(b) COORDINATION OF RECREATIONAL USE.—The Fish*
23 *and Wildlife Service shall coordinate any recreational use*
24 *of hand-propelled vessels on the Gros Ventre River within*
25 *the National Elk Refuge with Grand Teton National Park*

- 1 *to ensure such use is consistent with the requirements of*
- 2 *the National Wildlife Refuge Administration Act.*

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