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H. R. 5979

[Report No. 115-]

To establish the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 25, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

JULY --, 2018

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 May 25, 2018]

A BILL

To establish the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument
in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National
Park System, and for other purposes.

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 “Mill Springs Battlefield*
5 *National Monument Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 *In this Act:*

8 (1) *MAP.*—*The term “Map” means the map enti-*
9 *tled “Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument,*
10 *Nancy, Kentucky” numbered 297/145513, and dated*
11 *June 2018.*

12 (2) *MONUMENT.*—*The term “Monument” means*
13 *the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument es-*
14 *tablished by section 3(a).*

15 (3) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
16 *the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-*
17 *rector of the National Park Service.*

18 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF MILL SPRINGS BATTLEFIELD**

19 **NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

20 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—

21 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subject to paragraph (2),*
22 *there is established, as a unit of the National Park*
23 *System, the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monu-*
24 *ment in the State of Kentucky, to preserve, protect,*
25 *and interpret for the benefit of present and future*

1 *generations the nationally significant historic re-*
2 *sources of the Mill Springs Battlefield and its role in*
3 *the American Civil War.*

4 (2) *CONDITIONS.—The Monument shall not be*
5 *established until the Secretary—*

6 (A) *has entered into a written agreement*
7 *with the owner of any private or non-Federal*
8 *land within the Mill Springs Battlefield Na-*
9 *tional Monument boundary as depicted on the*
10 *Map, providing that such property shall be do-*
11 *minated to the United States for inclusion in the*
12 *Monument to be managed consistently with the*
13 *purposes of the Monument; and*

14 (B) *has determined that sufficient land or*
15 *interests in land have been acquired within the*
16 *boundary of the Monument to constitute a man-*
17 *ageable unit.*

18 (b) *BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of the Monument*
19 *shall be the boundaries generally depicted on the Map.*

20 (c) *AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be on file*
21 *and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-*
22 *fices of the National Park Service.*

23 (d) *ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may*
24 *only acquire land or an interest in land located within the*
25 *boundary of the Monument by—*

1 (1) *donation;*

2 (2) *purchase with donated funds; or*

3 (3) *exchange.*

4 (e) *ADMINISTRATION.—*

5 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-*
6 *ister the Monument in accordance with—*

7 (A) *this Act; and*

8 (B) *the laws generally applicable to units of*
9 *the National Park System, including—*

10 (i) *section 100101(a), chapter 1003,*
11 *and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753,*
12 *and 102101 of title 54, United States Code;*
13 *and*

14 (ii) *chapter 3201 of title 54, United*
15 *States Code.*

16 (2) *MANAGEMENT PLAN.—*

17 (A) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years*
18 *after the date on which funds are first made*
19 *available to the Secretary for this purpose, the*
20 *Secretary shall prepare a general management*
21 *plan for the Monument in accordance with sec-*
22 *tion 100502 of title 54, United States Code.*

23 (B) *SUBMIT TO CONGRESS.—On completion*
24 *of the general management plan, the Secretary*
25 *shall submit it to the Committee on Natural Re-*

1 *sources of the House of Representatives and the*
2 *Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of*
3 *the Senate.*

4 *(f) PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTION.—No private*
5 *property or non-Federal public property shall be managed*
6 *as part of the Monument without the written consent of the*
7 *owner of such property.*

8 *(g) NO BUFFER ZONES.—Nothing in this Act, the es-*
9 *tablishment of the Monument, or the management of the*
10 *Monument shall be construed to create buffer zones outside*
11 *of the Monument. The fact that an activity or use can be*
12 *seen, heard, or detected from within the Monument shall*
13 *not preclude the conduct of that activity or use outside of*
14 *the Monument.*