

Committee on Natural Resources

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Markup Memorandum

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To: All Natural Resources Committee Members

From: Majority Committee Staff— Terry Camp and Holly Baker
Subcommittee on Federal Lands (x6-7736)

Mark-Up: **H.R. 577 (Rep. Dina Titus)**, To designate a peak in the State of Nevada as Maude Frazier Mountain.
July 11, 2018, 10:15 am; 1324 Longworth House Office Building

Summary of the Bill

H.R. 577, introduced by Representative Dina Titus (D-NV-1), renames the peak of Frenchman Mountain in the State of Nevada as Maude Frazier Mountain.

Background

Born in 1881, Maude Frazier dedicated her life to education and played a prominent role in the establishment of the University of Las Vegas. She was also the first female Lieutenant Governor of Nevada and served in the Nevada Assembly from 1950-1962.¹

Frazier was a teacher, principal, and school superintendent, first in her home State of Wisconsin, and then in Nevada where she moved at age 25. An adventurous spirit, Frazier took a position in 1921 as Deputy Superintendent of 75 schools in four counties, an area that spanned 40,000 square miles and necessitated solo travel over rough and desolate backroads. She served as Superintendent of Las Vegas Union School District for 20 years and saw the district through a significant period of growth and development.²

In 1950, Frazier was elected to the Nevada State Assembly and was instrumental in getting appropriations to establish a branch of the State university in Las Vegas, which would become the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. When it was determined that private funds would be required to help buy land for the future college, Frazier spearheaded a grassroots fundraising

¹ "Maude Frazier". *Online Nevada Encyclopedia, Nevada Humanities*. <http://www.onlinenevada.org/articles/maude-frazier>

² "Maude Frazier". *Nevada Women's History Project*. <http://www.nevadawomen.org/research-center/biographies-alphabetical/maude-frazier/>

campaign. In 1956 she turned the first shovelful of dirt at the groundbreaking for construction of the college's first building.³

H.R. 577 renames the peak called Frenchman Mountain, just east of Las Vegas, Nevada as "Maude Frazier Mountain".



Location of proposed "Maude Frazier Mountain." Source: Google Maps

Cost

A Congressional Budget Office cost estimate has not yet been completed for this bill.

Administration Position

The Administration's position is currently unknown.

Effect on Current Law (Ramseyer)

None.

³ Hopkins, A.D. 1999. "Maude Frazier". *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. <https://www.reviewjournal.com/news/maude-frazier/>