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H. R. 2362

To reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2005

Mr. GIBBONS (for himself and Mrs. CUBIN) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

To reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping
Act of 1992.

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 “National Geologic
5 Mapping Reauthorization Act of 2005”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT REFERENCES.**

7 Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in
8 this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms
9 of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provi-
10 sion, the reference shall be considered to be made to such

1 section or other provision of the National Geologic Map-
2 ping Act of 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31a et seq.).

3 **SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

4 Section 2(a) (43 U.S.C. 31a(a)) is amended as fol-
5 lows:

6 (1) By striking paragraph (1) and inserting the
7 following:

8 “(1) although significant progress has been
9 made in the production of geologic maps since the
10 establishment of the National Cooperative Geologic
11 Mapping Program in 1992, no modern, digital, geo-
12 logic map exists for approximately 75 percent of the
13 Nation;”.

14 (2) Paragraph (2) is amended—

15 (A) in subparagraph (C) by inserting
16 “homeland and” after “planning for”;

17 (B) in subparagraph (E) by striking “pre-
18 dicting” and inserting “identifying”;

19 (C) by striking “and” after the semicolon
20 at the end of subparagraph (I);

21 (D) by redesignating subparagraph (J) as
22 subparagraph (K); and

23 (E) by inserting after subparagraph (I) the
24 following:

1 “(J) recreation and public awareness;
2 and”.

3 (3) Paragraph (9) is amended by striking “im-
4 portant” and inserting “available”.

5 **SEC. 4. PURPOSE.**

6 Section 2(b) (43 U.S.C. 31a(b)) is amended by strik-
7 ing “protection” and inserting “management”.

8 **SEC. 5. DEADLINES FOR ACTIONS BY THE UNITED STATES**
9 **GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.**

10 Section 4(b)(1) (43 U.S.C. 31c(b)(1)) is amended—

11 (1) in subparagraph (A) by striking “not later
12 than” and all that follows through the semicolon and
13 inserting “not later than one year after the date of
14 the enactment of the National Geologic Mapping Re-
15 authorization Act of 2005;”;

16 (2) in subparagraph (B) by striking “not later
17 than” and all that follows through “in accordance”
18 and inserting “not later than one year after the date
19 of the enactment of the National Geologic Mapping
20 Reauthorization Act of 2005 in accordance”; and

21 (3) in subparagraph (C) in the matter pre-
22 ceding clause (i) by striking “not later than” and all
23 that follows through “submit” and inserting “submit
24 biennially”.

1 **SEC. 6. GEOLOGIC MAPPING PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.**

2 Section 4(c)(2) (43 U.S.C. 31c(c)(2)) is amended—

3 (1) by striking “geophysical-map data base,
4 geochemical-map data base, and a”; and

5 (2) by striking “provide” and inserting “pro-
6 vides”.

7 **SEC. 7. GEOLOGIC MAPPING PROGRAM COMPONENTS.**

8 Section 4(d)(1)(B)(ii) (43 U.S.C. 31c(d)(1)(B)(ii)) is
9 amended—

10 (1) by striking “and” after the semicolon at the
11 end of subclause (I);

12 (2) by striking the period at the end of sub-
13 clause (II) and inserting “; and”; and

14 (3) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(III) the needs of Department
16 of the Interior land management
17 agencies.”.

18 **SEC. 8. GEOLOGIC MAPPING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

19 Section 5(a) (43 U.S.C. 31d(a)) is amended—

20 (1) in paragraph (2)—

21 (A) by striking “Administrator of the En-
22 vironmental Protection Agency or a designee”
23 and inserting “Secretary of the Interior or a
24 designee from a land management agency of the
25 Department of the Interior”;

1 (B) by inserting “and” after “Energy or a
2 designee,”; and

3 (C) by striking “, and the Assistant to the
4 President for Science and Technology or a des-
5 ignee”; and

6 (2) in paragraph (3)—

7 (A) by striking “Not later than” and all
8 that follows through “consultation” and insert-
9 ing “In consultation”;

10 (B) by striking “Chief Geologist, as Chair-
11 man” and inserting “Associate Director for Ge-
12 ology, as Chair”; and

13 (C) by striking “one representative from
14 the private sector” and inserting “two rep-
15 resentatives from the private sector”.

16 **SEC. 9. FUNCTIONS OF NATIONAL GEOLOGIC MAP DATA-**
17 **BASE.**

18 Section 7(a) (43 U.S.C. 31f(a)) is amended—

19 (1) in paragraph (1) by striking “geologic map”
20 and inserting “geologic-map”; and

21 (2) in paragraph (2)—

22 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph

23 (A) by inserting “information on how to ob-
24 tain” after “that includes”; and

1 (B) in subparagraph (A) by striking
2 “under the Federal component and the edu-
3 cation component” and inserting “with funding
4 provided under the national cooperative geologic
5 mapping program authorized by section 4(a)”.

6 **SEC. 10. BIENNIAL REPORT.**

7 Section 8 (43 U.S.C. 31g) is amended by striking
8 “Not later” and all that follows through “biennially” and
9 inserting “Not later than 3 years after the date of the
10 enactment of the National Geologic Mapping Reauthoriza-
11 tion Act of 2005 and biennially”.

12 **SEC. 11. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS; ALLOCA-**
13 **TION.**

14 Section 9 (43 U.S.C. 31h) is amended—

15 (1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the
16 following:

17 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appro-
18 priated to carry out this Act \$64,000,000 for each of fiscal
19 years 2006 through 2010.”; and

20 (2) in subsection (b)—

21 (A) by striking “2000” and inserting
22 “2005”;

23 (B) by striking “48” and inserting “50”;
24 and

1 (C) by striking 2 and inserting “4”.

