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AN ACT

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “National Geologic
3 Mapping Reauthorization Act of 2005”.

4 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT REFERENCES.**

5 Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in
6 this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms
7 of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provi-
8 sion, the reference shall be considered to be made to such
9 section or other provision of the National Geologic Map-
10 ping Act of 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31a et seq.).

11 **SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

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

14 (1) By striking paragraph (1) and inserting the
15 following:

16 “(1) although significant progress has been
17 made in the production of geologic maps since the
18 establishment of the National Cooperative Geologic
19 Mapping Program in 1992, no modern, digital, geo-
20 logic map exists for approximately 75 percent of the
21 Nation;”.

22 (2) Paragraph (2) is amended—

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

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

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

3 (D) by redesignating subparagraph (J) as
4 subparagraph (K); and

5 (E) by inserting after subparagraph (I) the
6 following:

7 “(J) recreation and public awareness;
8 and”.

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

11 **SEC. 4. PURPOSE.**

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

14 **SEC. 5. DEADLINES FOR ACTIONS BY THE UNITED STATES**
15 **GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.**

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

17 (1) in subparagraph (A) by striking “not later
18 than” and all that follows through the semicolon and
19 inserting “not later than one year after the date of
20 the enactment of the National Geologic Mapping Re-
21 authorization Act of 2005;”;

22 (2) in subparagraph (B) by striking “not later
23 than” and all that follows through “in accordance”
24 and inserting “not later than one year after the date

1 of the enactment of the National Geologic Mapping
2 Reauthorization Act of 2005 in accordance”; and

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

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

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

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

11 (2) by striking “provide” and inserting “pro-
12 vides”.

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

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

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

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

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

21 “(III) the needs of Department
22 of the Interior land management
23 agencies.”.

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

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

1 (1) in paragraph (2)—

2 (A) by striking “Administrator of the En-
3 vironmental Protection Agency or a designee”
4 and inserting “Secretary of the Interior or a
5 designee from a land management agency of the
6 Department of the Interior”;

7 (B) by inserting “and” after “Energy or a
8 designee,”; and

9 (C) by striking “, and the Assistant to the
10 President for Science and Technology or a des-
11 ignee”; and

12 (2) in paragraph (3)—

13 (A) by striking “Not later than” and all
14 that follows through “consultation” and insert-
15 ing “In consultation”;

16 (B) by striking “Chief Geologist, as Chair-
17 man” and inserting “Associate Director for Ge-
18 ology, as Chair”; and

19 (C) by striking “one representative from
20 the private sector” and inserting “two rep-
21 resentatives from the private sector”.

22 **SEC. 9. FUNCTIONS OF NATIONAL GEOLOGIC MAP DATA-**
23 **BASE.**

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

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

3 (2) in paragraph (2)—

4 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph

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

7 (B) in subparagraph (A) by striking
8 “under the Federal component and the edu-
9 cation component” and inserting “with funding
10 provided under the national cooperative geologic
11 mapping program authorized by section 4(a)”.

12 **SEC. 10. BIENNIAL REPORT.**

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

18 **SEC. 11. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS; ALLOCA-**
19 **TION.**

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

21 (1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the
22 following:

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

