

Union Calendar No. 157

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1239

[Report No. 110-248]

To amend the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act of 1998 to provide additional staff and oversight of funds to carry out the Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 28, 2007

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. WATERS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. CARSON, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. WYNN, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. KUHLMAN of New York, Mr. CLAY, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. COHEN, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. MEEK of Florida, and Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

JULY 23, 2007

Additional sponsors: Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. FALCONE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. WOLF, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. CASTOR, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. PITTS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. WATT, Mr. KIRK, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. BARROW, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Ms. BALDWIN, Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. TIAHRT, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. SESTAK, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. NORTON, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Mr. MILLER of North Carolina

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

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 28, 2007]

A BILL

To amend the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act of 1998 to provide additional staff and oversight of funds to carry out the Act, 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 “National Underground*
5 *Railroad Network to Freedom Amendments Act of 2007”.*

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SPECIFIC**
7 **PURPOSES.**

8 *The National Underground Railroad Network to Free-*
9 *dom Act of 1998 (16 U.S.C. 469l et seq.) is amended—*

10 *(1) by striking section 3(d);*

11 *(2) by striking section 4(d); and*

12 *(3) by adding at the end the following new sec-*
13 *tion:*

14 **“SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

15 *“(a) AMOUNTS.—There are authorized to be appro-*
16 *priated to carry out this Act \$2,500,000 for each fiscal year,*
17 *to be allocated as follows:*

1 “(1) \$2,000,000 is to be used for the purposes of
2 *section 3.*

3 “(2) \$500,000 is to be used for the purposes of
4 *section 4.*

5 “(b) *RESTRICTIONS.*—No amounts may be appro-
6 priated for the purposes of this Act except to the Secretary
7 for carrying out the responsibilities of the Secretary as set
8 forth in this Act.”.

9 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

10 *The amendments made by section 2 shall take effect*
11 *at the beginning of the fiscal year immediately following*
12 *the date of the enactment of this Act.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to amend the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act of 1998 to authorize additional funding to carry out the Act, and for other purposes.”.

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