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H. R. 3111

To provide for the administration of Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 19, 2007

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. SUTTON, Mr. SNYDER, Mrs. CAPPS, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. SOLIS, Ms. LEE, and Ms. WOOLSEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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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 “Port Chicago Naval
5 Magazine National Memorial Enhancement Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. PORT CHICAGO NAVAL MAGAZINE NATIONAL ME-**
2 **MORIAL.**

3 Section 203 of the Port Chicago National Memorial
4 Act of 1992 (Public Law 102–562; 16 U.S.C. 431; 106
5 Stat. 4235) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
7 section (g);

8 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
9 lowing new subsections:

10 “(c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of the Inte-
11 rior shall administer the Port Chicago Naval Magazine
12 National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System
13 in accordance with this Act and laws generally applicable
14 to units of the National Park System, including the Na-
15 tional Park Service Organic Act (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C.
16 1 et seq.) and the Act of August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666;
17 16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

18 “(d) TRANSFER OF LAND.—Notwithstanding any
19 other provision of law, whenever the Secretary of Defense
20 determines that the land depicted within the proposed
21 boundary on the map titled ‘Port Chicago Naval Magazine
22 National Memorial, Proposed Boundary’, numbered 018/
23 80,001, and dated August 2005, is excess to military
24 needs, the Secretary of Defense shall transfer the land,
25 which consists of approximately 5 acres, to the administra-

1 tive jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior, who shall
2 administer the property in accordance with subsection (c).

3 “(e) ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION.—As part of
4 the transfer under subsection (d), the Secretary of De-
5 fense shall perform, in accordance with the Comprehensive
6 Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
7 of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) and other applicable
8 laws, all environmental remediation actions necessary to
9 respond to environmental contamination attributable to
10 former military activities on the property.

11 “(f) AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF CONCORD AND
12 EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT.—The Secretary of
13 the Interior is authorized to enter into an agreement with
14 the City of Concord, California, and the East Bay Re-
15 gional Park District, to establish and operate a facility
16 for visitor orientation and parking, administrative offices,
17 and curatorial storage for the Memorial.”; and

18 (3) in subsection (g), (as redesignated by para-
19 graph (1)), by striking “Secretary of the Navy to
20 provide public access to the Memorial.” and insert-
21 ing “Secretary of Defense to provide as much public
22 access as possible to the Memorial without inter-
23 fering with military needs.”.

1 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

2 It is the sense of Congress that in order to preserve
3 the Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial for
4 future generations, the Secretary of Defense and the Sec-
5 retary of the Interior should work together to—

6 (1) repair storm damage to the Port Chicago
7 site; and

8 (2) develop a process by which future repairs
9 and necessary modifications to the site can be
10 achieved in as timely and cost-effective a manner as
11 possible.

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