

113TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 4001

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 5, 2014

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Defending Against
5 Aquatic Invasive Species Act of 2014”.

6 **SEC. 2. HYDROLOGIC SEPARATION.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army is au-
8 thorized to carry out projects necessary to separate the

1 hydrologic connection between the Great Lakes and Mis-
2 sissippi River basins to prevent the interbasin transfer of
3 aquatic invasive species.

4 (b) TIMING.—

5 (1) DESIGN.—Not later than 180 days after the
6 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
7 undertake design activities necessary to carry out
8 the projects authorized under subsection (a).

9 (2) CONSTRUCTION.—Not later than 180 days
10 after the date on which design activities undertaken
11 under paragraph (1) are completed, the Secretary
12 shall begin construction of the projects authorized
13 under subsection (a).

14 (c) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out projects au-
15 thorized under subsection (a), the Secretary shall consult
16 with the—

17 (1) Secretary of the Interior;

18 (2) Governors of Michigan, Illinois, Indiana,
19 Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wis-
20 consin;

21 (3) Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of
22 Greater Chicago;

23 (4) Great Lakes Commission;

24 (5) Great Lakes Fishery Commission; and

1 (6) Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initia-
2 tive.

3 (d) NON-FEDERAL INTERESTS.—The Secretary may
4 enter into agreements with non-Federal interests to assist
5 the carrying out of projects authorized under subsection
6 (a).

7 (e) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost
8 of a project carried out under this section may be up to
9 100 percent.

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