

Union Calendar No. 439

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4119

[Report No. 113-592]

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 28, 2014

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia (for himself, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BARROW of Georgia, and Mr. BISHOP of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

Additional sponsors: Ms. NORTON, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. HONDA, Ms. HAHN, Mr. ENYART, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. EDWARDS, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. COHEN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. HOLT, Ms. MOORE, Ms. WATERS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. RUSH, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. CLAY, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. NADLER, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. COSTA, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. GRAYSON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. CHU, Mr. POCAN, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. PIERLUISI, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. GARCIA, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. WESTMORELAND

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Reported with an amendment, 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, 2014]

A BILL

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resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist
Church in Atlanta, Georgia, 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 “West Hunter Street Bap-*
5 *tist Church Study Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

7 (a) *STUDY.*—*The Secretary of the Interior shall con-*
8 *duct a special resource study of the historic West Hunter*
9 *Street Baptist Church, located at 775 Martin Luther King*
10 *Jr. Drive, SW., Atlanta, Georgia and the block on which*
11 *the church is located.*

12 (b) *CONTENTS.*—*In conducting the study under sub-*
13 *section (a), the Secretary shall—*

14 (1) *evaluate the national significance of the site;*

15 (2) *determine the suitability and feasibility of*
16 *designating the area as a unit of the National Park*
17 *System;*

18 (3) *consider other alternatives for preservation,*
19 *protection, and interpretation of the site by Federal,*
20 *State, or local governmental entities, or private and*
21 *nonprofit organizations;*

22 (4) *consult with interested Federal, State, or*
23 *local governmental entities, private and nonprofit or-*
24 *ganizations or any other interested individuals;*

1 (5) *identify cost estimates for any Federal acqui-*
2 *sition, development, interpretation, operation, and*
3 *maintenance associated with the alternatives;*

4 (6) *consider the effect of the designation of the*
5 *study area as a unit of the National Park System*
6 *on—*

7 (A) *existing commercial and recreational*
8 *activities, including but not limited to hunting,*
9 *fishing, and recreational shooting, and on the*
10 *authorization, construction, operation, mainte-*
11 *nance, or improvement of energy production and*
12 *transmission infrastructure; and*

13 (B) *the authority of State and local govern-*
14 *ments to manage those activities.*

15 (7) *identify any authorities, including con-*
16 *demnation, that will compel or permit the Secretary*
17 *to influence or participate in local land use decisions*
18 *(such as zoning) or place restrictions on non-Federal*
19 *lands if the study area is designated a unit of the Na-*
20 *tional Park System.*

21 (c) *NOTIFICATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS.—*

22 *Upon commencement of the study, owners of private prop-*
23 *erty adjacent to the area will be notified of the study's com-*
24 *mencement and scope.*

1 (d) *APPLICABLE LAW.*—The study required under sub-
2 section (a) shall be conducted in accordance with the Na-
3 tional Park System General Authorities Act (16 U.S.C. 1a-
4 5(c)).

5 (e) *REPORT.*—Not later than 3 years after the date on
6 which funds are first made available for the study under
7 subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee
8 on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and
9 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-
10 ate a report containing the results of the study and any
11 conclusions and recommendations of the Secretary.

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