

Calendar No. 351113TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION**S. 1294**

To designate as wilderness certain public land in the Cherokee National Forest in the State of Tennessee, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 15, 2013

Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. CORKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

JULY 24, 2013

Committee discharged; referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

APRIL 8, 2014

Reported by Ms. STABENOW, without amendment

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Tennessee Wilderness
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-
7 titled “Proposed Wilderness Areas and Additions-
8 Cherokee National Forest” and dated January 20,
9 2010.

10 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
11 the Secretary of Agriculture.

12 (3) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
13 of Tennessee.

14 **SEC. 3. ADDITIONS TO CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST.**

15 (a) DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS.—In accordance
16 with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the fol-
17 lowing parcels of Federal land in the Cherokee National
18 Forest in the State of Tennessee are designated as wilder-
19 ness and as additions to the National Wilderness Preser-
20 vation System:

21 (1) Certain land comprising approximately
22 9,038 acres, as generally depicted as the “Upper
23 Bald River Wilderness” on the Map and which shall
24 be known as the “Upper Bald River Wilderness”.

25 (2) Certain land comprising approximately 348
26 acres, as generally depicted as the “Big Frog Addi-

1 tion” on the Map and which shall be incorporated
2 in, and shall be considered to be a part of, the Big
3 Frog Wilderness.

4 (3) Certain land comprising approximately 630
5 acres, as generally depicted as the “Little Frog
6 Mountain Addition NW” on the Map and which
7 shall be incorporated in, and shall be considered to
8 be a part of, the Little Frog Mountain Wilderness.

9 (4) Certain land comprising approximately 336
10 acres, as generally depicted as the “Little Frog
11 Mountain Addition NE” on the Map and which shall
12 be incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a
13 part of, the Little Frog Mountain Wilderness.

14 (5) Certain land comprising approximately
15 2,922 acres, as generally depicted as the “Sampson
16 Mountain Addition” on the Map and which shall be
17 incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part
18 of, the Sampson Mountain Wilderness.

19 (6) Certain land comprising approximately
20 4,446 acres, as generally depicted as the “Big Lau-
21 rel Branch Addition” on the Map and which shall be
22 incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part
23 of, the Big Laurel Branch Wilderness.

24 (7) Certain land comprising approximately
25 1,836 acres, as generally depicted as the “Joyce Kil-

1 mer-Slickrock Addition” on the Map and which shall
2 be incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a
3 part of, the Joyce Kilmer-Slickrock Wilderness.

4 (b) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after
6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
7 shall file maps and legal descriptions of the wilder-
8 ness areas designated by subsection (a) with the ap-
9 propriate committees of Congress.

10 (2) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The maps and
11 legal descriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall be
12 on file and available for public inspection in the of-
13 fice of the Chief of the Forest Service and the office
14 of the Supervisor of the Cherokee National Forest.

15 (3) FORCE OF LAW.—The maps and legal de-
16 scriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the
17 same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-
18 cept that the Secretary may correct typographical
19 errors in the maps and descriptions.

20 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to valid existing
21 rights, the Federal land designated as wilderness by sub-
22 section (a) shall be administered by the Secretary in ac-
23 cordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
24 seq.), except that any reference in that Act to the effective

- 1 date of that Act shall be deemed to be a reference to the
- 2 date of the enactment of this Act.

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