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S. 305

To authorize the acquisition of core battlefield land at Champion Hill, Port Gibson, and Raymond for addition to Vicksburg National Military Park.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 13, 2013

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

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 “Champion Hill, Port
5 Gibson, and Raymond Battlefields Addition Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. VICKSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK.**

7 (a) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-
9 rior (referred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) may

1 acquire the land or any interests in land within the
2 area identified as “Modified Core Battlefield” for
3 the Port Gibson Unit, the Champion Hill Unit, and
4 the Raymond Unit as generally depicted on the map
5 entitled “Vicksburg National Military Park—Pro-
6 posed Battlefield Additions”, numbered 306/100986,
7 and dated October 2010.

8 (2) METHODS OF ACQUISITION.—Land may be
9 acquired under paragraph (1) by donation, purchase
10 with donated or appropriated funds, or exchange, ex-
11 cept that land owned by the State of Mississippi or
12 any political subdivisions of the State may be ac-
13 quired only by donation.

14 (b) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map described in
15 subsection (a)(1) shall be on file and available for public
16 inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park
17 Service.

18 (c) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—On the acquisition of
19 land by the Secretary under this Act—

20 (1) the acquired land shall be added to Vicks-
21 burg National Military Park;

22 (2) the boundary of the Vicksburg National
23 Military Park shall be adjusted to reflect the acquisi-
24 tion of the land; and

1 (3) the acquired land shall be administered as
2 part of the Vicksburg National Military Park in ac-
3 cordance with applicable laws (including regula-
4 tions).

5 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
6 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are nec-
7 essary to carry out this Act.

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