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H. R. 1621

To modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the
Commonwealth of Virginia, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 25, 2015

Mr. FORBES (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia) 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

To modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield
in the Commonwealth of Virginia, 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. PETERSBURG NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD BOUND-**
4 **ARY MODIFICATION.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of the Petersburg
6 National Battlefield is modified to include the land and
7 interests in land as generally depicted on the map titled
8 “Petersburg National Battlefield Boundary Expansion”,
9 numbered 325/80,080, and dated March 2015. The map

1 shall be on file and available for public inspection in the
2 appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

3 (b) ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES.—

4 (1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Interior
5 (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”) is au-
6 thorized to acquire the land and interests in land,
7 described in subsection (a), from willing sellers only,
8 by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated
9 funds, exchange, or transfer.

10 (2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 313(a)
11 of the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978
12 is amended by striking “twenty-one” and inserting
13 “twenty-five”.

14 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary shall admin-
15 ister any land or interests in land acquired under sub-
16 section (b) as part of the Petersburg National Battlefield
17 in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

18 (d) ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION TRANSFER.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is transferred—

20 (A) from the Secretary to the Secretary of
21 the Army administrative jurisdiction over the
22 approximately 1.170-acre parcel of land de-
23 picted as “Area to be transferred to Fort Lee
24 Military Reservation” on the map described in
25 paragraph (2); and

1 (B) from the Secretary of the Army to the
2 Secretary administrative jurisdiction over the
3 approximately 1.171-acre parcel of land de-
4 picted as “Area to be transferred to Petersburg
5 National Battlefield” on the map described in
6 paragraph (2).

7 (2) MAP.—The land to be exchanged is de-
8 picted on the map titled “Petersburg National Bat-
9 tlefield Proposed Transfer of Administrative Juris-
10 diction”, numbered 325/80,801A, dated May 2011.
11 The map shall be on file and available for public in-
12 spection in the appropriate offices of the National
13 Park Service.

14 (3) CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER.—The transfer
15 of administrative jurisdiction under paragraph (1)
16 shall be subject to the following conditions:

17 (A) NO REIMBURSEMENT OR CONSIDER-
18 ATION.—The transfer shall occur without reim-
19 bursement or consideration.

20 (B) MANAGEMENT.—The land transferred
21 to the Secretary under paragraph (1) shall be
22 included within the boundary of the Petersburg
23 National Battlefield and administered as part

- 1 of that park in accordance with applicable laws
- 2 and regulations.

