

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 139

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the site associated with the 1908 Springfield Race Riot in the State of Illinois.

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 “Springfield Race Riot
3 Study Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. RESOURCE STUDY OF SPRINGFIELD RACE RIOT.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
7 the Secretary of the Interior.

8 (2) STUDY AREA.—The term “study area”
9 means the archeological site near Madison Street
10 and the 10th Street Rail Corridor, and other sites
11 in Springfield, Illinois associated with the 1908
12 Springfield Race Riot.

13 (b) SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.—

14 (1) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a spe-
15 cial resource study of the study area.

16 (2) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under
17 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

18 (A) evaluate the national significance of
19 the study area;

20 (B) determine the suitability and feasibility
21 of designating the study area as a unit of the
22 National Park System;

23 (C) consider other alternatives for preser-
24 vation, protection, and interpretation of the
25 study area by the Federal Government, State or

1 local government entities, or private and non-
2 profit organizations;

3 (D) consult with interested Federal agen-
4 cies, State or local governmental entities, pri-
5 vate and nonprofit organizations, or any other
6 interested individuals; and

7 (E) identify cost estimates for any Federal
8 acquisition, development, interpretation, oper-
9 ation, and maintenance associated with the al-
10 ternatives.

11 (3) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required
12 under paragraph (1) shall be conducted in accord-
13 ance with section 100507 of title 54, United States
14 Code.

15 (4) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the
16 date on which funds are first made available for the
17 study under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall sub-
18 mit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the
19 House of Representatives and the Committee on En-
20 ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report
21 that describes—

22 (A) the results of the study; and

1 (B) any conclusions and recommendations
2 of the Secretary.

Passed the House of Representatives September 21,
2020.

Attest:

Clerk.

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