

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 7489

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the Commonwealth of Virginia or the District of Columbia certain Federal land under the administrative jurisdiction of the National Park Service for the construction of rail and other infrastructure, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 2, 2020

Mr. WITTMAN (for himself, Mr. BEYER, Ms. WEXTON, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. CLINE, Mr. GRIFFITH, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. LURIA, and Mr. BROWN of Maryland) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the Commonwealth of Virginia or the District of Columbia certain Federal land under the administrative jurisdiction of the National Park Service for the construction of rail and other infrastructure, 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 “Long Bridge Act of
5 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF CONVEYANCES.**

2 (a) CONVEYANCES AUTHORIZED.—On request of the
3 Commonwealth of Virginia or the District of Columbia,
4 as applicable, the Secretary of the Interior may, subject
5 to any terms and conditions that the Secretary determines
6 to be necessary, convey to the Commonwealth of Virginia
7 or the District of Columbia, as applicable, any Federal
8 land or interest in Federal land under the jurisdiction of
9 the Secretary that is identified by the Commonwealth of
10 Virginia or the District of Columbia, as applicable, as nec-
11 essary for the Long Bridge Project.

12 (b) REVERSION.—If any portion of the Federal land
13 or interest in Federal land conveyed under subsection (a)
14 is no longer being used for railroad purposes or rec-
15 reational use, title to the portion of the Federal land or
16 interest in the portion of the Federal land shall revert to
17 the Secretary, on a determination by the Secretary that
18 the portion of the Federal land has been remediated and
19 restored to a condition determined to be satisfactory by
20 the Secretary.

21 (c) TEMPORARY USE.—The Secretary may allow the
22 temporary use of any Federal land under the jurisdiction
23 of the Secretary that is identified by the Commonwealth
24 of Virginia or the District of Columbia, as applicable, as
25 necessary for the construction of the Long Bridge Project,

1 subject to any terms and conditions determined to be nec-
2 essary by the Secretary.

3 (d) RECOVERY OF COSTS.—Notwithstanding any
4 other provision of law, the Secretary may recover from the
5 Commonwealth of Virginia or the District of Columbia,
6 as applicable, all costs incurred by the Secretary in pro-
7 viding or procuring necessary services associated with a
8 conveyance under subsection (a) or use authorized under
9 subsection (c), with such amounts to remain available to
10 the Secretary until expended, without further appropria-
11 tion.

12 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) LONG BRIDGE PROJECT.—The term “Long
14 Bridge Project” means the project consisting of im-
15 provements to the Long Bridge and related railroad
16 infrastructure between Rosslyn (RO) Interlocking in
17 Arlington, Virginia, and L’Enfant (LE) Interlocking
18 near 10th Street SW in the District of Columbia,
19 the purpose of which is to expand commuter and re-
20 gional passenger rail service and provide bicycle and
21 pedestrian access crossings over the Potomac River.

22 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
23 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
24 rector of the National Park Service.

○