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S. 2461

To designate a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as wilderness.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARPER, Mr. UDALL, and Mr. SCHUMER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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 “Arctic Refuge Protec-
5 tion Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF PORTION OF ARCTIC NATIONAL**
7 **WILDLIFE REFUGE AS WILDERNESS.**

8 Section 4 of the National Wildlife Refuge System Ad-
9 ministration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd) is amended
10 by adding at the end the following:

1 “(p) DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN LAND AS WILDER-
2 NESS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act,
3 a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska
4 comprising approximately 1,559,538 acres, as generally
5 depicted on the map entitled ‘Arctic National Wildlife Ref-
6 uge, Coastal Plain Proposed Wilderness’, dated October
7 20, 2015, labeled with Map ID 03–0172, and available
8 for inspection in the offices of the Secretary, is designated
9 as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation
10 System under the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
11 seq.).”.

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