

Union Calendar No. 161

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2872

[Report No. 118–198]

To amend the Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013 to allow States to issue electronic stamps under such Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 26, 2023

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

Additional sponsors: Mr. DUARTE and Ms. DE LA CRUZ

SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 26, 2023]

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 **SEC. 1. AUTHORIZING FULLY ELECTRONIC STAMPS.**

4 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5 of the Permanent Elec-*
 5 *tronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013 (16 U.S.C. 718r) is amend-*
 6 *ed—*

7 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

8 *(A) in the heading, by striking “ACTUAL*
 9 *STAMP” and inserting “ELECTRONIC STAMP”;*

10 *(B) by striking “actual stamp” and insert-*
 11 *ing “electronic stamp”; and*

12 *(C) by amending paragraph (1) to read as*
 13 *follows:*

14 *“(1) upon the date of purchase; and”;*

15 *(2) in subsection (c), by inserting “under sub-*
 16 *section (e)” before the period at the end; and*

17 *(3) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection*
 18 *(f) and inserting after subsection (d) the following*
 19 *new subsection:*

20 *“(e) DELIVERY OF ACTUAL STAMPS.—The Secretary*
 21 *shall issue an actual stamp after March 10 of each year*
 22 *to each individual that purchased an electronic stamp for*
 23 *the preceding waterfowl seasons.”.*

1 ***(b) STAMP VALID THROUGH CLOSE OF HUNTING SEA-***
 2 ***SON.—Section 6 of the Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp***
 3 ***Act of 2013 (16 U.S.C. 718s(c)) is amended—***

4 ***(1) in subsection (b), by striking “shall, during***
 5 ***the effective period of the electronic stamp—” and in-***
 6 ***serting “shall—”; and***

7 ***(2) in subsection (c), by striking “for a period***
 8 ***agreed to by the State and the Secretary, which shall***
 9 ***not exceed 45 days” and inserting “until the first***
 10 ***June 30 that occurs after the date of issuance of such***
 11 ***stamp”.***

12 ***(c) ELECTRONIC STAMPS AS PERMIT.—Section 1(a)(1)***
 13 ***of the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp***
 14 ***Act (16 U.S.C. 718a(a)(1)) is amended—***

15 ***(1) by inserting “as an electronic stamp or”***
 16 ***after “Conservation Stamp,”; and***

17 ***(2) by inserting “actual” after “face of the”.***

18 ***(d) CONTENTS OF ELECTRONIC STAMP.—Section 2(3)***
 19 ***of the Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013 (16***
 20 ***U.S.C. 718o(3)) is amended—***

21 ***(1) in subparagraph (D), by striking “and”;***

22 ***(2) in subparagraph (E), by striking the period***
 23 ***at the end and inserting “; and”; and***

24 ***(3) by adding at the end the following:***

1 “(F) may contain an image of the actual
2 stamp.”.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to amend the Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013 to allow the Secretary of the Interior to issue electronic stamps under such Act, and for other purposes.”.

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