

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 716

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to ensure full pool levels of Flathead Lake in Montana in accordance with certain requirements, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 23, 2025

Mr. ZINKE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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 “Fill the Lake Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. REGULATION OF POOL LEVEL OF FLATHEAD LAKE.**

6 From June 15 through September 15 of each cal-
7 endar year, the Secretary of the Interior shall ensure—

1 (1) a minimum lake level in Flathead Lake of
2 2892' MSL by providing the water from Hungry
3 Horse Reservoir; and

4 (2) a maximum lake level in Flathead Lake of
5 2893' MSL by releasing excess water downstream.

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