

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4497

To expand the mission of the National Park Service to include active use of System units located in urban areas, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 6, 2023

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## 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. ACTIVE USE OF SYSTEM UNITS IN URBAN**  
4 **AREAS.**

5 Title 54, United States Code, is amended as follows:

6 (1) In section 100101(a), by inserting “‘, and  
7 to promote active use of System units located in  
8 urban areas” before the final period.

9 (2) In section 100102, by adding at the end the  
10 following:

1           “(7) ACTIVE USE.—The term ‘active use’  
2 means use that prioritizes current enjoyment by peo-  
3 ple and improves quality of life, and includes play-  
4 grounds, pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly infrastruc-  
5 ture, sports and recreation facilities, community  
6 events, programming, and concessions.

7           “(8) URBAN AREA.—The term ‘urban area’  
8 means an area that has been defined and designated  
9 in the most recent decennial census as an ‘urban  
10 area’ by the Secretary of Commerce.”.

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