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To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 13, 2011

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia 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 "West Hunter Street

5 Baptist Church Study Act".

6 SEC. 2. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.

7 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior shall con-8 duct a special resource study of the historic West Hunter

Street Baptist Church, located at 775 Martin Luther King
 Jr. Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

3 (b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under sub-4 section (a), the Secretary shall—

5 (1) evaluate the national significance of the6 site;

7 (2) determine the suitability and feasibility of
8 designating the area as a unit of the National Park
9 System;

10 (3) consider other alternatives for preservation,
11 protection, and interpretation of the site by Federal,
12 State, or local governmental entities, or private and
13 nonprofit organizations;

(4) consult with interested Federal, State, or
local governmental entities, private and nonprofit organizations or any other interested individuals; and
(5) identify cost estimates for any Federal acquisition, development, interpretation, operation, and
maintenance associated with the alternatives.

(c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under
subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with section 8 of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5; commonly
known as the "National Park Service General Authorities
Act").

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date 1 on which funds are first made available for the study 2 3 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-4 resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural 5 Resources of the Senate a report containing the results 6 7 of the study and any conclusions and recommendations of the Secretary. 8

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