

Union Calendar No. 436

117TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 6799

[Report No. 117-603]

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing the John P. Parker House in Ripley, Ohio, as a unit of the National Park System.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 18, 2022

Mr. WENSTRUP (for himself and Mrs. BEATTY) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

DECEMBER 7, 2022

Additional sponsor: Mr. OBERNOLTE

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Reported from the Committee on Natural Resources; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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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 “John P. Parker House
5 Study Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
9 the Secretary of the Interior.

10 (2) STUDY AREA.—The term “study area”
11 means the John P. Parker House in Ripley, Ohio,
12 which was recognized as a National Historic Land-
13 mark in 1997.

14 **SEC. 3. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY OF THE JOHN P.**
15 **PARKER HOUSE.**

16 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a special
17 resource study of the study area.

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

20 (1) evaluate the national significance of the
21 study area;

22 (2) determine the suitability and feasibility of
23 designating the study area as a unit of the National
24 Park System;

1 (3) consider other alternatives for preservation,
2 protection, and interpretation of the study area by
3 the Federal Government, State or local government
4 entities, or private and nonprofit organizations;

5 (4) consult with interested Federal agencies,
6 State or local governmental entities, private and
7 nonprofit organizations, or any other interested indi-
8 viduals; and

9 (5) identify cost estimates for any Federal ac-
10 quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and
11 maintenance associated with the alternatives.

12 (c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under
13 subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with sec-
14 tion 100507 of title 54, United States Code.

15 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
16 date on which funds are made available to carry out this
17 Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Nat-
18 ural Resources of the House of Representatives and the
19 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-
20 ate a report that describes—

21 (1) the results of the study; and

22 (2) any recommendations of the Secretary.

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