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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 4, 2021

Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BOWMAN, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. CROW, Ms. DEAN, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELBENE, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. GALLEGRO, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KILMER, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. JONES, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. OMAR, Mr. PANETTA, Ms. PINGREE, Ms. ROSS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. SPEIER, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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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 “Arctic Refuge Protec-

5 tion Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**
7 **OIL AND GAS PROGRAM.**

8 Section 20001 of Public Law 115–97 is hereby re-

9 pealed.

10 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL WILDERNESS, ARC-**
11 **TIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, ALASKA.**

12 (a) DESIGNATION.—Notwithstanding any other pro-

13 vision of law, a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Ref-

14 uge in Alaska comprising approximately 1,559,538 acres,

15 as generally depicted on the map entitled “Arctic National

16 Wildlife Refuge, Coastal Plain Proposed Wilderness”,

17 dated October 20, 2015, labeled with Map ID 03–0172,

18 and available for inspection in the offices of the Secretary

19 of the Interior, is designated as a component of the Na-

20 tional Wilderness Preservation System under the Wilder-

21 ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.).

22 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of the Interior

23 shall administer the area designated as wilderness by sub-

24 section (a) in accordance with the Wilderness Act as part

1 of the wilderness area already in existence within the Arc-
2 tic National Wildlife Refuge as of the date of the enact-
3 ment of this Act.

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