

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8189

To clarify the status of the North Country, Ice Age, and New England National Scenic Trails as units of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 22, 2022

Mr. POCAN (for himself, Mr. GROTHMAN, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. KIND, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. MELJER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. WELCH, and Ms. DELAURO) 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 “National Scenic Trails
5 Parity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. NORTH COUNTRY NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.**

7 Section 5(a)(8) of the National Trails System Act (16
8 U.S.C. 1244(a)(8)) is amended in the third sentence by

1 inserting “as a unit of the National Park System” before
2 the period at the end.

3 **SEC. 3. ICE AGE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.**

4 Section 5(a)(10) of the National Trails System Act
5 (16 U.S.C. 1244(a)(10)) is amended by striking the third
6 and fourth sentences and inserting “The trail shall be ad-
7 ministered by the Secretary of the Interior as a unit of
8 the National Park System.”.

9 **SEC. 4. NEW ENGLAND NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.**

10 Section 5(a)(28) of the National Trails System Act
11 (16 U.S.C. 1244(a)(28)) is amended in the third sentence
12 by inserting “as a unit of the National Park System,”
13 after “administer the trail”.

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