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[Report No. 113-219]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the archeological site and surrounding land of the New Philadelphia town site in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 28, 2013

Mr. SCHOCK (for himself, Mr. CLAY, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 20, 2013

Additional sponsor: Mr. GUTHRIE

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 28, 2013]

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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 “New Philadelphia, Illi-*
5 *nois, Study Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 *Congress finds that—*

8 *(1) Frank McWorter, an enslaved man, bought*
9 *his freedom and the freedom of 15 family members by*
10 *mining for crude niter in Kentucky caves and proc-*
11 *essing the mined material into saltpeter;*

12 *(2) New Philadelphia, founded in 1836 by Frank*
13 *McWorter, was the first town planned and legally reg-*
14 *istered by a free African-American before the Civil*
15 *War;*

16 *(3) the first railroad constructed in the area of*
17 *New Philadelphia bypassed New Philadelphia, which*
18 *led to the decline of New Philadelphia; and*

19 *(4) the New Philadelphia site—*

20 *(A) is a registered National Historic Land-*
21 *mark;*

22 *(B) is covered by farmland; and*

23 *(C) does not contain any original buildings*
24 *of the town or the McWorter farm and home that*
25 *are visible above ground.*

1 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

2 *In this Act:*

3 (1) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
4 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

5 (2) *STUDY AREA.*—*The term “Study Area”*
6 *means the New Philadelphia archeological site and*
7 *the surrounding land in the State of Illinois.*

8 **SEC. 4. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

9 (a) *STUDY.*—*The Secretary shall conduct a special re-*
10 *source study of the Study Area.*

11 (b) *CONTENTS.*—*In conducting the study under sub-*
12 *section (a), the Secretary shall—*

13 (1) *evaluate the national significance of the*
14 *Study Area;*

15 (2) *determine the suitability and feasibility of*
16 *designating the Study Area as a unit of the National*
17 *Park System;*

18 (3) *consider other alternatives for preservation,*
19 *protection, and interpretation of the Study Area by—*

20 (A) *Federal, State, or local governmental*
21 *entities; or*

22 (B) *private and nonprofit organizations;*

23 (4) *consult with—*

24 (A) *interested Federal, State, or local gov-*
25 *ernmental entities;*

26 (B) *private and nonprofit organizations; or*

1 (C) any other interested individuals;

2 (5) identify cost estimates for any Federal acqui-
3 sition, development, interpretation, operation, and
4 maintenance associated with the alternatives consid-
5 ered under paragraph (3); and

6 (6) determine the effect of the designation of the
7 Study Area as a unit of the National Park System
8 on—

9 (A) existing commercial and recreational
10 activities, including but not limited to hunting,
11 fishing, recreational shooting, and on the author-
12 ization, construction, operation, maintenance or
13 improvement of energy production and trans-
14 mission infrastructure; and

15 (B) the effect of the authority of State and
16 local governments to manage those activities; and

17 (7) identify any authorities, including con-
18 demnation, that will compel or permit the Secretary
19 to influence or participate in local land use decisions
20 (such as zoning) or place restrictions on nonfederal
21 land if the Study Area is designated a unit of the Na-
22 tional Park System.

23 (c) *APPLICABLE LAW.*—The study required under sub-
24 section (a) shall be conducted in accordance with section
25 8 of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5).

1 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 3 years after the date*
2 *on which funds are first made available for the study under*
3 *subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee*
4 *on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and*
5 *the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-*
6 *ate a report containing—*

7 (1) *the results of the study; and*

8 (2) *any conclusions and recommendations of the*
9 *Secretary.*

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