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National Discovery Trails Act of 2001

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Mar 8, 2001

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands. (Sep 7, 2001)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Murkowski, Frank H. [R-AK]

Party: Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jul 24, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 5, 2001
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 7, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Aug 3, 2001)

National Discovery Trails Act of 2001 - Amends the National Trails System Act to provide for the establishment, as components of the National Trails System, of national discovery trails which shall be extended, continuous interstate trails located so as to provide for outdoor recreation and travel and to connect representative examples of America's trails and communities. Permits designation of any such trail on Federal lands and, with the owner's consent, on any non-Federal lands.

Prohibits a trail from being considered feasible and desirable for designation as a national discovery trail unless it: (1) links one or more areas within the boundaries of a metropolitan area (and should join with other trails, connecting the National Trails System to significant recreation and resources areas); (2) is supported by a competent trailwide volunteer-based organization and has extensive local and trailwide support by the public, user groups, and affected State and local governments; and (3) extends and passes through more than one State and, at a minimum, is a continuous, walkable route.

Designates as a national discovery trail the 6,000-mile American Discovery Trail which shall extend from Cape Henlopen State Park in Delaware to Point Reyes National Seashore in California, traveling northern and southern routes from Cincinnati, Ohio, to Denver, Colorado.

Directs the appropriate Secretary to submit within three fiscal years to specified congressional committees a comprehensive plan for the protection, management, development, and use of the national discovery trail.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 7, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
- **Sep 5, 2001:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 5, 2001:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 5, 2001:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- **Aug 3, 2001:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S8996-8998; text as reported in Senate: CR S8996-8997; text as passed Senate: CR S8997-8998)
- **Aug 3, 2001:** Passed Senate with amendments and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S8996-8998; text as reported in Senate: CR S8996-8997; text as passed Senate: CR S8997-8998)
- **Jun 5, 2001:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with amendments and an amendment to the title. With written report No. 107-26.
- **Jun 5, 2001:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with amendments and an amendment to the title. With written report No. 107-26.
- **Jun 5, 2001:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 61 .
- **May 16, 2001:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Mar 8, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 8, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2081-2082)
- **Mar 8, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.