

## HR 5765

Tongass Rain Forest Protection Act

**Congress:** 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Nov 22, 2002

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources. (Nov 22, 2002)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Israel, Steve [D-NY-2]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 22, 2002

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Nov 22, 2002)

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Tongass Rain Forest Protection Act - Designates all roadless areas in the Tongass National Forest in Alaska, including Duke Island, as the Tongass Rainforest Nature Preserve.

Requires native animal and plant species within the Preserve to be protected in their natural and wild state. Prohibits activities in the Preserve that disturb native animal or plant species or their habitats, including the construction of roads or structures, logging, mining, and the use of any mechanized vehicle or equipment.

Designates all of Duke Island and the Duke Inventoried Roadless Area as the Duke Island Trumpeter Swan Wilderness Area.

Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to acquire: (1) inholdings in the Tongass National Forest from willing sellers; and (2) an inholding of exceptional importance for biological or scenic reasons through eminent domain at full fair market value.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 22, 2002:** Introduced in House
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- **Nov 22, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.
- **Nov 22, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.