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Virginia Ridge and Valley Wilderness and National Scenic Areas Act of 2004

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 22, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 4202	Identical bill	Apr 27, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

Virginia Ridge and Valley Wilderness and National Scenic Areas Act of 2004 - Designates certain lands in the Jefferson National Forest, Virginia (Brush Mountain and Brush Mountain East, Seng Mountain and Raccoon Branch, Stone Mountain, Mountain Lake Additions, Lewis Fork Addition and Little Wilson Creek Additions, Shawvers Run Additions, and Peters Mountain Addition) as wilderness.

Designates Seng Mountain and Raccoon Branch, and Crawfish Valley, as National Scenic Areas (Areas). Establishes such Areas for purposes of: (1) ensuring the protection and preservation of scenic quality, water quality, natural characteristics, and water resources; (2) protecting wildlife and fish habitat; (3) protecting areas that may develop characteristics of old-growth forests; and (4) providing a variety of recreation opportunities.

Directs the Secretary of Agriculture to: (1) administer such Areas in accordance with this Act and the laws and regulations generally applicable to the National Forest System (NFS); (2) develop a management plan for such Areas; and (3) establish a trail for NFS lands to develop hiking and equestrian trails within the wilderness areas and non-motorized recreation trails within the Areas. Sets forth provisions regarding roads, vegetation management, motorized travel, fire, insects and disease, water, and mining and geothermal leasing.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 22, 2004:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 22, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4328-4329)
- **Apr 22, 2004:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.