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Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Latest Action: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 12. (Feb 16, 2005)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]

Party: Democratic • State: LA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	$R \cdot LA$		Jan 31, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Feb 16, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 203	Related bill	Oct 12, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-338.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Act - (Sec. 3) Establishes the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area in Louisiana.

Designates the Atchafalaya Trace Commission as the local coordinating entity (the entity) of the Heritage Area.

(Sec. 4) Prohibits the use of Federal funds received under this Act to acquire real property.

(Sec. 5) Requires the Commission to develop and implement a management plan, subject to the Secretary of the Interior's approval, that incorporates an integrated and cooperative approach to protect, interpret, and enhance the resources of the Heritage Area.

(Sec. 6) Establishes a procedure for the voluntary inclusion of private property in the Heritage Area.

(Sec. 7) Sets forth private property protections.

(Sec. 8) Declares the effect of this Act with regard to certain authorities and powers.

(Sec. 9) Requires the entity to report to the Secretary concerning its expenditures for any year Federal funds are made available under this Act.

(Sec. 10) Authorizes appropriations. Limits: (1) the availability of funds for any fiscal year to \$1,000,000; and (2) the Federal share of the total cost of any activity assisted under this Act to 50 percent.

(Sec. 11) Terminates the authority of the Secretary to provide assistance to the entity 15 years after enactment.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 16, 2005: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici without amendment. With written report No. 109-5.
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- Feb 16, 2005: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 12.
- Feb 9, 2005: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- Jan 31, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Jan 31, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S649-651)
- Jan 31, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S651-652)