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S 2568

Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail Designation Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]

Party: Democratic • State: MD • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (7 total)

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Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]	$R \cdot VA$		Apr 6, 2006
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	$D \cdot DE$		Apr 6, 2006
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Apr 6, 2006
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Apr 6, 2006
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	$R \cdot VA$		Apr 6, 2006
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		May 11, 2006
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		May 12, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 16, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 5466	Identical bill	Dec 19, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-418.

Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail Designation Act - Amends the National Trails System Act to designate the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail (a series of water routes extending approximately 3,000 miles along the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries in Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and the District of Columbia that traces the 1607 and 1609 voyages of Captain John Smith to chart the land and waterways of the Chesapeake Bay).

Requires the Trail to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior in coordination with: (1) the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network authorized under the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998; and (2) the Chesapeake Bay Program authorized under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Prohibits the United States from acquiring for the Trail any land or interest in land outside the exterior boundary of any federally-managed area without the consent of the owner of such land or interest.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 31, 2006: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici with an amendment. With written report No. 109-309.
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- Jul 31, 2006: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 552.
- May 24, 2006: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- May 16, 2006: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 109-547.
- Apr 6, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- Apr 6, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3230)
- Apr 6, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.