

HR 1143

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands in Virgin Islands National Park, and for other purposes.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Feb 16, 2007

Current Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

Latest Action: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. (Jun 17, 2008)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 17, 2008
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Feb 13, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a lease with CBI Acquisitions, LLC, governing the use of property for the continued management and operation of the Caneel Bay Resort on the island of St. John in Virgin Islands National Park.

Requires any lease entered into pursuant to this Act to include the property covered by the retained use estate entered into by the Jackson Hole Preserve and the United States on September 30, 1983, (the RUE) and any associated property owned by CBI donated to the National Park Service (NPS).

Sets forth provisions regarding: (1) the terms of the lease agreement; (2) appraisals to determine the fair market value of all property covered by the RUE and any property, including the value, if any, of the surrendered term of the RUE, owned by CBI to be donated, or otherwise conveyed, to the NPS; and (3) compensation to the United States of the property's fair market value rent. Makes 80% of such payment available for expenditure within Virgin Islands National Park.

Requires CBI, as a condition of the lease, to relinquish to the Secretary all rights under the RUE and to transfer, without compensation, ownership of improvements covered by the RUE to the United States.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 17, 2008:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.
- **Mar 5, 2008:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Mar 4, 2008:** Mr. Rahall moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 4, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1192-1193)
- **Mar 4, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1143.
- **Mar 4, 2008:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Mar 4, 2008:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1204-1205)
- **Mar 4, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 378 - 0 (Roll no. 88).(text: CR H1192)
- **Mar 4, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 378 - 0 (Roll no. 88). (text: CR H1192)
- **Mar 4, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 28, 2008:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 110-532.
- **Feb 28, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 323.
- **Feb 13, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 13, 2008:** Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands Discharged.
- **Feb 13, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Oct 30, 2007:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 23, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.
- **Feb 16, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 16, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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