HR 5151

Wild Monongahela Act: A National Legacy for West Virginia's Special Places

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Discharged From	Apr 22, 2008
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 16, 2008
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Apr 2, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 5610	Related bill	**Apr 25, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
110 S 2581	Identical bill	**Apr 15, 2008:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 110-485.

Summary (as of Jun 16, 2008)

Wild Monongahela Act: A National Legacy for West Virginia's Special Places - Designates specified federal lands in the Monongahela National Forest, West Virginia, as wilderness and as either a new component, or as an addition to an existing component, of the National Wilderness Preservation System.

Allows the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to authorize the competitive running event permitted from 2003 through 2007 in the vicinity of the boundaries of the Dolly Sods Wilderness addition and the Roaring Plains West Wilderness Area in a manner compatible with the preservation of such areas as wilderness.

Prohibits anything in this Act from affecting the jurisdiction or responsibility of the state of West Virginia respecting wildlife and fish.

Modifies the boundary of the Laurel Fork South Wilderness designated by P.L. 97- 466 (relating to the designation of certain lands in the Monongahela National Forest as wilderness) to exclude two specified parcels of land.

States that the boundary of the Monongahela National Forest is confirmed to include specified tracts of land. Provides that, for the purposes relating to the allocation of moneys from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the acquisition of land, waters, or interests in land or waters in the National Park System, the National Forest System, or the National Wildlife Refuge System, the boundaries of the Monongahela National Forest, as confirmed by this Act, shall be considered to be the boundaries of the Forest as of January 1, 1965.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) develop a plan to provide for enhanced nonmotorized recreation trail opportunities on lands not designated as wilderness within the Monongahela National Forest; and (2) submit to Congress a report on the implementation of the plan, including the identification of priority trails for development.

Provides for the consideration of conversion of forest roads within Monongahela National Forest to nonmotorized uses to enhance recreational opportunities within the Forest.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 16, 2008:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Bingaman with amendments. With written report No. 110-391.
- **Jun 16, 2008:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 823.
- **May 7, 2008:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Apr 23, 2008:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Committee on Agriculture discharged.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 110-598, Part I.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 371.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Mr. Rahall moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2497-2499)
- **Apr 22, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5151.
- **Apr 22, 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.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2531)
- **Apr 22, 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): 368 - 17 (Roll no. 206).(text: CR H2497-2498)
- **Apr 22, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 368 - 17 (Roll no. 206). (text: CR H2497-2498)
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 2, 2008:** Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands Discharged.
- **Apr 2, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 26, 2008:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jan 31, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.
- **Jan 29, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 29, 2008:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E99-100)
- **Jan 29, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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