

## HR 5023

Civil War Defenses of Washington National Historical Park Act

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

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### Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Civil War Defenses of Washington National Historical Park Act**

This bill designates as the Civil War Defenses of Washington National Historical Park the defenses constructed at the beginning of the Civil War in 1861 as a ring of fortifications in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and northern Virginia to protect the nation's capital.

The park shall include all areas associated with the Civil War defenses of Washington currently owned by the federal government and under the administration of the National Park Service, including Battleground National Cemetery.

Certain eligible sites and certain additional sites associated with the Civil War defenses of Washington may become affiliated with the park pursuant to a cooperative agreement under this bill.

The Department of the Interior shall study and consider creative and cost-effective ways to facilitate how the storied history of the Civil War for both the North and the South, including the history of the defenses of Washington and the Shenandoah Valley Campaign of 1864, can be assembled, arrayed, and conveyed for the benefit of the public.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 17, 2018:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 22, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Feb 14, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 14, 2018:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E186)
- **Feb 14, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.