

## S 270

### Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park Expansion and Redesignation Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Feb 8, 2021

**Current Status:** Became Public Law No: 117-123.

**Latest Action:** Became Public Law No: 117-123. (May 12, 2022)

**Law:** 117-123 (Enacted May 12, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/270>

#### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** DE • **Chamber:** Senate

#### Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Feb 8, 2021
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Feb 8, 2021
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Feb 8, 2021
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Feb 8, 2021
Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		Feb 8, 2021
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Feb 8, 2021
Sen. Marshall, Roger [R-KS]	R · KS		Jun 10, 2021

#### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 23, 2021

#### Subjects & Policy Tags

##### **Policy Area:**

Public Lands and Natural Resources

#### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 920	Identical bill	Dec 14, 2022: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 451.

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This bill redesignates the Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site as the Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park and expands the park.

The park is expanded to include the land and interests in land as generally depicted on the map titled *Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park Boundary Additions and Affiliated Areas*, and dated February 2022, and more particularly described as

- the Summerton High School site in Summerton, South Carolina;
- the former Scott's Branch High School site in Summerton; and
- approximately one acre of land adjacent to Monroe Elementary School in Topeka, Kansas.

The Department of the Interior may acquire this land by donation, exchange, or purchase. Any property owned by South Carolina, Kansas, or any political subdivision of those states may be acquired by donation.

Interior shall submit to Congress an amendment to the management plan for the historical park to include the portions of the historical park in Summerton.

The bill establishes as affiliated areas of the National Park System

- the Robert Russa Moton Museum in Farmville, Virginia;
- the Delaware Brown v. Board of Education civil rights sites, including Claymont High School in Claymont, Delaware; and
- the John Philip Sousa Middle School in the District of Columbia.

Interior shall develop a management plan for each affiliated area.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 12, 2022:** Signed by President.
- **May 12, 2022:** Became Public Law No: 117-123.
- **May 9, 2022:** Presented to President.
- **Apr 26, 2022:** Mr. Grijalva moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Apr 26, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4475-4477)
- **Apr 26, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 270.
- **Apr 26, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Apr 26, 2022:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H4475-4476)
- **Apr 26, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Received in the House.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Held at the desk.
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S2053-2054)
- **Apr 6, 2022:** The committee amendment withdrawn by Unanimous Consent. (CR S2054)
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 2, 2022:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Manchin with an amendment. With written report No. 117-87.
- **Mar 2, 2022:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 295.
- **Nov 18, 2021:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.
- **Feb 8, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 8, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.