

HR 7399

LBL Recreation and Heritage Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Current Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

Latest Action: Subcommittee Hearings Held. (May 11, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]

Party: Republican • **State:** KY • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 18, 2022
Natural Resources Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 11, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 3997	Identical bill	Nov 17, 2022: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 553.

Land Between the Lakes Recreation and Heritage Act or the LBL Recreation and Heritage Act

This bill addresses the administration of the Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area in Kentucky and Tennessee.

The bill decreases from 17 to 13 the number of members who compose the Land Between the Lakes Advisory Board.

The bill permits members of the advisory board to serve multiple terms, but not serve consecutive terms.

In addition to carrying out its current activities, the advisory board shall

- develop an annual work plan for recreation and environment education areas in the Recreation Area, including the heritage program, with the nonappropriated amounts in the Land Between the Lakes Management Fund;
- develop an annual forest management and harvest plan for the Recreation Area; and
- maintain the balance and status of the fund.

The bill requires the advisory board to meet at least twice each year.

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) shall charge (currently may charge) reasonable fees, as determined by the advisory board, for admission to and the use of the designated sites, or for activities, within the recreation area.

The bill states that amounts in the fund shall be available to USDA to perform new work or deferred maintenance in the recreation area and shall not be available for the payment of salaries or other expenses.

USDA, on request from a qualified resident or relative or a cemetery association, shall grant additional land for the expansion of existing cemeteries within the recreation area to allow for the burial of qualified residents or relatives.

Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2022:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Apr 18, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.
- **Apr 7, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **Apr 5, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 5, 2022:** Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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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