

HR 7495

Civil War Defenses of Washington National Historical Park Act

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Sponsor

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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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No related bills are listed.

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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

- **Apr 15, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **Apr 11, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 11, 2022:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E377)
- **Apr 11, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.