

HR 249

To redesignate certain facilities at Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park in honor of Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr.

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Jan 9, 2025

Current Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

Latest Action: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. (Dec 9, 2025)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Pallone, Frank [D-NJ-6]

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

Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Conaway, Herbert [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Jan 9, 2025
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Jan 9, 2025
Rep. Kean, Thomas H. [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Jan 9, 2025
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 14, 2025
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Dec 9, 2025
Natural Resources Committee	House	Reported By	Apr 17, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 9, 2025)

This bill renames a trail and a park within Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park located in Paterson, New Jersey, in honor of Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr. Specifically, it renames the Great Falls Scenic Overlook Trail Bridge as the Bill Pascrell, Jr. Scenic Overlook Trail Bridge. It also renames Overlook Park as Bill Pascrell, Jr. Overlook Park.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 9, 2025:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.
- **May 14, 2025:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **May 13, 2025:** Mr. Westerman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 13, 2025:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1979-1980)
- **May 13, 2025:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 249.
- **May 13, 2025:** 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.
- **May 13, 2025:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1986-1987)
- **May 13, 2025:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 362 - 50, 2 Present (Roll no. 124). (text: CR H1979)
- **May 13, 2025:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 362 - 50, 2 Present (Roll no. 124). (text: CR H1979)
- **May 13, 2025:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 17, 2025:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 119-62.
- **Apr 17, 2025:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 39.
- **Feb 12, 2025:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Feb 12, 2025:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jan 9, 2025:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 9, 2025:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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