

100 S.2751

Title: A bill to designate certain lands in Montana as wilderness, to release other forest lands for multiple use management, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Melcher, John [MT] (introduced 8/11/1988) Cosponsors (None)

Related Bills: H.RES.591, H.R.2090

Latest Major Action: 11/3/1988 Pocket Vetoed by President.

SUMMARY AS OF:

10/18/1988--Passed Senate amended. (There is 1 other summary)

(Measure passed Senate, amended)

Montana Natural Resources Protection and Utilization Act of 1988 - Designates specified lands in the following national forests in Montana as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System: (1) Beaverhead National Forest; (2) Bitterroot National Forest; (3) Deerlodge National Forest; (4) Lolo National Forest; (5) Custer National Forest; (6) Helena National Forest; (7) Flathead National Forest; (8) Kootenai National Forest; (9) Lewis and Clark National Forest; and (10) Gallatin National Forest.

Incorporates the Great Bear Wilderness Area and the Scapegoat Wilderness Area into the Bob Marshall Wilderness.

Provides that the RARE II (second roadless area review and evaluation) final environmental statement (dated January 1979) with respect to national forest system lands in Montana shall not be subject to judicial review.

Releases from further review by the Department of Agriculture certain National Forest System lands in Montana which were reviewed in the RARE II program and in the unit plans and the plan for the Beaverhead National Forest which were in effect before completion of RARE II, pending the revision of initial national forest management plans. Releases such lands that have been reviewed and not designated as wilderness from management as wilderness areas. Prohibits the Department of Agriculture from conducting any further statewide roadless area review and evaluation of National Forest System lands in Montana without express congressional authorization. States that such provisions shall also apply to National Forest System lands in Montana which are less than 5,000 acres in size.

Designates the following specified areas to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as part of the National Forest System: (1) the West Pioneers National Recreation Area in the Beaverhead National Forest; (2) the Mount Helena National Education and Recreation Area in the Helena National Forest; (3) the Hyalite National Education and Recreation Area in the Gallatin National Forest; (4) the Ross Creek Cedars National Recreation Area in the Kootenai National Forest; (5) the Gibson Reservoir National Recreation Area in the Lewis and Clark National Forest; and (6) the Cottonwood Lake National Recreation Area in the Deerlodge National Forest.

Requires the Secretary to manage the Mount Helena and the Hyalite National Education and Recreation Areas with a focus on education and on natural resources protection and management.

Requires the Elkhorns National Recreation and Wildlife Area, and the Helena and Deerlodge National Forests to be managed as a national recreation area that emphasizes enhancement of big game habitat.

Requires the completion of specified studies for the Gallatin National Forest, the Lewis and Clark National Forest, and the Custer National Forest.

Withdraws all federally-owned lands in the Blackfeet Unit from all forms of entry, appropriation, and disposal under the mining and public land laws, and disposition under the geothermal and mineral leasing laws for three years after enactment of this Act. Urges the National Forest Service and the Blackfeet Tribe to prepare a joint land management plan for such area.

Authorizes the Secretary to exchange lands and interests in lands with the Plum Creek Timber Company, Incorporated, according to specified terms. Declares the sense of Congress that the exchange of lands in the Porcupine Area should be completed within 90 days after enactment of this Act. Authorizes appropriations for the exchange of lands in the Gallatin National Forest.

Authorizes the Secretary to exchange mineral interests with the Burlington National Railroad Company, as specified.

Declares it is Congress' policy that the National Forest Service acquire and maintain a reasonable public access to National Forest System lands in Montana.

Directs the Secretary to study a potential horse trail in the Swan Range, Flathead National Forest.

Redesignates the Rattlesnake National Recreation Area and Wilderness as the Rattlesnake National Education and Recreation Area and Wilderness.

Declares that Congress has sufficiently reviewed the suitability for wilderness designation of the Bitter Creek Wilderness Study Area and the Axolotl Lakes Wilderness Study Area. Releases such areas from the requirement of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act that they be managed in a manner that does not impair such suitability.

Directs the Secretary to conduct a study for a potential Alpine Running and Bicycle Trail in the Gallatin National Forest.

Declares that the Congress expects the National Forest Service to proceed with a timber sale program on the Three Rivers Ranger District of the Kootenai National Forest for FY

1989. Provides that sales awarded prior to March 1, 1988, shall not be subject to further administrative or judicial review.

Authorizes appropriations.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that the President should instruct the Secretaries of State, of Commerce, of Defense, and of the Treasury to: (1) consult with allied governments on the impact on Western security of private and public sector credit flows and debt reschedulings to the Soviet Union, Warsaw Pact countries, Cuba, Vietnam, Libya, and Nicaragua; and (2) call for a multi-lateral voluntary initiative to end united, general purpose lending to such countries for reasons of national security and prudent commercial banking.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that: (1) it condemns the continued suppression of human rights and violations of the Esquipulas II accord by the Sandinistas and calls upon all those who seek peace in Central America to join in such condemnation; (2) the United States should respond in specified ways to such violations; (3) the Sandinista regime and Nicaraguan people should understand that if the Sandinistas comply with democratization, that the United States should respond by lifting the economic embargo against Nicaragua; and (4) the Sandinista regime should understand that continued failure to comply with such accord will cause Congress to approve additional military assistance for the Nicaraguan Resistance.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that the United States: (1) recognizes the desire of the Chilean people for the restoration of a civilian government based on democracy; (2) commends the Government and Armed Forces of Chile for conducting a free and fair plebiscite; (3) calls upon such government to hold free and fair presidential elections in 1989; and (4) encourages all efforts toward reaching full democracy.

**MAJOR ACTIONS: lá°**

8/11/1988	Introduced in Senate
10/7/1988	Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported to Senate by Senator Johnston with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
10/18/1988	Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.
10/20/1988	Passed/agreed to in House: Passed House by Voice Vote.
10/20/1988	Cleared for White House.
10/22/1988	Presented to President.
11/3/1988	Pocket Vetoed by President.

**ALL ACTIONS: (Floor Actions/Congressional Record Page References)**

8/11/1988:

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

8/12/1988:

Referred to Subcommittee on Public Lands, National Parks.

10/7/1988:

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

10/7/1988:

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported to Senate by Senator Johnston with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

10/7/1988:

Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 1124.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3714 Proposed by Senator Melcher. To provide for second roadless area review and evaluation (RARE II).

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3715 Proposed by Senator Melcher. Concerning the release to nonwilderness uses.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3716 Proposed by Senator Melcher. To declare that Congress finds that the waters within the wilderness area designated by the Act are headwaters, and the designation of such areas as wilderness shall have no effect on downstream appropriation of waters, and nothing in the Act shall be construed to affect valid existing water rights, as provided under Montana State law.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3717 Proposed by Senator Symms. To express the sense of the Senate that the President should instruct the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Commerce to consult immediately with allied governments on the impact of Western security of various types of private and public sector credit flows and debt reschedulings to the Soviet Union, Warsaw Pact countries, Cuba, Vietnam, Libya, and Nicaragua, and to call for a multilateral voluntary initiative, supervised by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, to end untied, general-purpose lending to these countries for reasons both of national security and prudent commercial banking.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3718 Proposed by Senator McCain. Expressing the sense of the Senate condemning the continued suppression of human rights and blatant violations of the Esquipulas II Accord by the Sandinistas, and calling upon all who seek both peace and freedom in Central America to join in that condemnation.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3719 Proposed by Senator Harkin to Amendment SP 3718. To recognize the people of Chile for the clear expression of their desire for the restoration of democratic processes and procedures in Chile.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3714 Amendment SP 3714 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3715 SP 3715 ruled out of order by the chair.

10/18/1988:

S.AMDT.3716 Amendment SP 3716 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.  
10/18/1988:  
S.AMDT.3717 Amendment SP 3717 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 64-2.  
Record Vote No: 377.  
10/18/1988:  
S.AMDT.3718 Motion to table SP 3718 rejected in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 12-  
54. Record Vote No: 378.  
10/18/1988:  
S.AMDT.3719 Amendment SP 3719 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.  
10/18/1988:  
S.AMDT.3715 SP3715 repropoed by Senator Melcher.  
10/18/1988:  
S.AMDT.3718 Amendment SP 3718 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.  
10/18/1988:  
S.AMDT.3715 Amendment SP 3715 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.  
10/18/1988:  
Measure laid before Senate by motion.  
10/18/1988:  
SP3715 repropoed by Senator Melcher.  
10/18/1988:  
Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.  
10/19/1988:  
Committee on Rules Granted a Rule Providing One Hour of Debate; Waiving All  
Points of Order.  
10/19/1988:  
Message on Senate action sent to the House.  
10/19/1988:  
Rules Committee Resolution H.Res.591 Reported to House.  
10/20/1988:  
Rule Passed House.  
10/20/1988:  
Called up by House by Rule.  
10/20/1988:  
Passed House by Voice Vote.  
10/20/1988:  
Cleared for White House.  
10/22/1988:  
Presented to President.  
11/3/1988:  
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TITLE(S): (*italics indicate a title for a portion of a bill*)

- SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED:  
Montana Natural Resources Protection and Utilization Act of 1987
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS PASSED SENATE:

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• OFFICIAL TITLE AS INTRODUCED:

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COSPONSOR(S):

\*\*\*NONE\*\*\*

COMMITTEE(S):

Committee/Subcommittee: Senate Energy and Natural Resources	Activity: Referral, Markup, Reporting
Subcommittee on Public Lands, National Parks and Forests	Referral

RELATED BILL DETAILS: (additional related bills may be identified in Status)

Bill: H.RES.591 H.R.2090	Relationship: Rule related to S.2751 in House Related bill identified by CRS
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AMENDMENT(S):

1. S.AMDT.3714 to S.2751 To provide for second roadless area review and evaluation (RARE II).

Sponsor: Sen Melcher, John [MT] (introduced 10/18/1988) Cosponsors (None)  
Latest Major Action: 10/18/1988 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 3714 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

2. S.AMDT.3715 to S.2751 Concerning the release to nonwilderness uses.

Sponsor: Sen Melcher, John [MT] (introduced 10/18/1988) Cosponsors (None)  
Latest Major Action: 10/18/1988 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 3715 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

3. S.AMDT.3716 to S.2751 To declare that Congress finds that the waters within the wilderness area designated by the Act are headwaters, and the designation of such areas as wilderness shall have no effect on downstream appropriation of waters, and nothing in the Act shall be construed to affect valid existing water rights, as provided under Montana State law.

Sponsor: Sen Melcher, John [MT] (introduced 10/18/1988) Cosponsors (None)  
Latest Major Action: 10/18/1988 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 3716 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

4. S.AMDT.3717 to S.2751 To express the sense of the Senate that the President should instruct the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Commerce to consult immediately with allied governments on the impact of Western security of various types of private and public sector credit flows and debt reschedulings to the Soviet Union, Warsaw Pact countries, Cuba, Vietnam, Libya, and Nicaragua, and to call for a multilateral voluntary initiative, supervised by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, to end untied, general-purpose lending to these countries for reasons both of national security and prudent commercial banking.

Sponsor: Sen Symms, Steven D. [ID] (introduced 10/18/1988) Cosponsors (6)

Latest Major Action: 10/18/1988 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 3717 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 64-2. Record Vote No: 377.

5. S.AMDT.3718 to S.2751 Expressing the sense of the Senate condemning the continued suppression of human rights and blatant violations of the Esquipulas II Accord by the Sandinistas, and calling upon all who seek both peace and freedom in Central America to join in that condemnation.

Sponsor: Sen McCain, John [AZ] (introduced 10/18/1988) Cosponsors (3)

Latest Major Action: 10/18/1988 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 3718 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

6. S.AMDT.3719 to S.2751 To recognize the people of Chile for the clear expression of their desire for the restoration of democratic processes and procedures in Chile.

Sponsor: Sen Harkin, Tom [IA] (introduced 10/18/1988) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 10/18/1988 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 3719 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.