

## **98 H.R.4198**

**Title:** A bill to designate certain National Forest System lands in the State of Vermont for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System and to designate a National Recreation Area. Sponsor: Rep Jeffords, James M. [VT-98] (introduced 10/24/1983) Cosponsors (None) Related Bills: H.R.2275 Latest Major Action: 6/19/1984 Became Public Law No: 98-322.

### **SUMMARY AS OF:**

5/24/1984--Passed Senate amended. (There are 4 other summaries)

(Measure passed Senate, amended)

Vermont Wilderness Act of 1984 - Title I: New Wilderness Areas - Designates the following lands in the Green Mountain National Forest, Vermont, as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System: (1) the Breadloaf Wilderness; (2) the Lost Pond Wilderness; (3) the Peru Peak Wilderness; (4) the Lye Brook Wilderness; and (5) the George D. Aiken Wilderness.

Permits the Appalachian Trail, the Long Trail, and their related structures and associated trails to be maintained.

States that the second Roadless Area Review and Evaluation (RARE II) environmental impact statement shall not be subject to judicial review concerning the national forest system lands in Vermont. Deems the RARE II review of national forest system lands in Vermont to be an adequate evaluation of the suitability of such lands for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System. Eliminates the requirement that the Department of Agriculture review the wilderness option of such lands prior to the revision of initial land management plans.

Directs the Department to review the wilderness option when the plans are revised or when the Secretary of Agriculture finds that conditions in a unit have significantly changed.

Provides that areas in Vermont which were reviewed in the final environmental statement, but not designated as wilderness, shall be managed for multiple use in accordance with certain land management statutes. Provides that if revised land management plans are implemented, areas not recommended for wilderness designation need not be managed for the purpose of protecting their suitability for such designation. Limits the application of these provisions to national forest system roadless lands in Vermont which are less than 5,000 acres in size.

Title II: White Rocks National Recreation Area - Designates certain lands in the Green Mountain National Forest, Vermont, as the White Rocks National Recreation Area.

Withdraws federally owned lands within the White Rocks National Recreation Area from all forms of appropriation under mineral leasing laws and geothermal leasing laws.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) permit hunting, fishing, and trapping within the boundaries of the White Rocks National Recreation Area in accordance with Federal and State law; (2) submit a comprehensive management plan for the recreation area to specified congressional committees; and (3) provide for public participation in the preparation and review of such comprehensive management plan.

**MAJOR ACTIONS:**

10/24/1983	Introduced in House
11/10/1983	Reported to House (Amended) by House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Report No: 98-533 (Part I).
11/15/1983	House Committee on Agriculture Discharged by Suspension of Rules.
11/15/1983	Passed/agreed to in House: Passed House (Amended) by Voice Vote.
4/26/1984	Committee on Agriculture. Reported to Senate by Senator Helms with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. With written report No. 98-416.
5/24/1984	Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments and an amendment to the Title by Voice Vote.
6/4/1984	Resolving differences -- House actions: House Agreed to Senate Amendments.
6/4/1984	Cleared for White House.
6/8/1984	Presented to President.
6/19/1984	Signed by President.
6/19/1984	Became Public Law No: 98-322.

**ALL ACTIONS:**

**10/24/1983:**

Referred to House Committee on Agriculture.

**10/24/1983:**

Referred to House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

**10/28/1983:**

Referred to Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks.

**10/28/1983:**

Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.

**10/28/1983:**

Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee.

**11/2/1983:**

Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.

**11/2/1983:**

Ordered to be Reported (Amended).

**11/10/1983:**

Reported to House (Amended) by House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Report No: 98-533 (Part I).

**11/15/1983:**

House Committee on Agriculture Discharged by Suspension of Rules.

**11/15/1983:**

Called up by House Under Suspension of Rules.

**11/15/1983:**

Passed House (Amended) by Voice Vote.

**11/16/1983:**

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

**2/1/1984:**

Subcommittee on Soil and Water Conservation. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 98-703.

**3/28/1984:**

Committee on Agriculture. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

**4/26/1984:**

Committee on Agriculture. Reported to Senate by Senator Helms with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. With written report No. 98-416.

**4/26/1984:**

Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 808.

**5/24/1984:**

S.AMDT.3143 Proposed by Senator Baker for Senator McClure. TO modify the release language.

**5/24/1984:**

S.AMDT.3143 Amendment SP 3143 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

**5/24/1984:**

Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent.

**5/24/1984:**

Passed Senate with amendments and an amendment to the Title by Voice Vote.

**6/4/1984:**

Called up by House by Unanimous Consent.

**6/4/1984:**

House Agreed to Senate Amendments.

**6/4/1984:**

Cleared for White House.

**6/7/1984:**

Measure Signed in Senate.

**6/8/1984:**

Presented to President.

**6/19/1984:**

Signed by President.

**6/19/1984:**

Became Public Law No: 98-322.

**TITLE(S):**

- SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED: Vermont Wilderness and Recreation Area Act of 1983
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS REPORTED TO HOUSE: Vermont Wilderness Act of 1983
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS PASSED HOUSE: Vermont Wilderness Act of 1983
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS REPORTED TO SENATE: Vermont Wilderness Act of 1984
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS PASSED SENATE: Vermont Wilderness Act of 1984
- OFFICIAL TITLE AS INTRODUCED: A bill to designate certain National Forest System lands in the State of Vermont for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System and to designate a National Recreation Area.

**COSPONSOR(S):**

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

**COMMITTEE(S):**

<b>Committee/Subcommittee:</b>	<b>Activity:</b>
House Agriculture	Referral, Discharged
House Interior and Insular Affairs	Referral, Markup, Reporting
Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks	Referral, Markup, Reporting
Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	Referral, Markup, Reporting
Subcommittee on Soil and Water Conservation, Forestry and Environment	Hearings

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

<b>Bill:</b>	<b>Relationship:</b>
H.R.2275	Related bill identified by CRS

**AMENDMENT(S):**

1. S.AMDT.3143 to H.R.4198 TO modify the release language. Sponsor: Sen McClure, James A. [ID] (introduced 5/24/1984) Cosponsors (2) Latest Major Action: 5/24/1984 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 3143 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.