

115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 473

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2017

Mr. ISSA (for himself and Mr. COFFMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Military Land and Na-
3 tional Defense Act” or the “Military LAND Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.**

5 Chapter 3021 of title 54, United States Code, is
6 amended as follows:

7 (1) In section 302103(2)—

8 (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking “;
9 and” and inserting a semicolon;

10 (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking the
11 period and inserting “; and”; and

12 (C) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(G) notifying the Committee on Natural
14 Resources of the United States House of Rep-
15 resentatives and the Committee on Energy and
16 Natural Resources of the Senate if the property
17 is owned by the Federal Government when the
18 property is being considered for inclusion on the
19 National Register, for designation as a National
20 Historic Landmark, or for nomination to the
21 World Heritage List.”.

22 (2) In section 302107—

23 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at
24 the end;

25 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe-
26 riod and inserting “; and”; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(4) to allow for expedited removal of Federal
3 property listed on the National Register of Historic
4 Places if the managing agency of that Federal prop-
5 erty submits to the Secretary a written request to
6 remove the Federal property from the National Reg-
7 ister of Historic Places for reasons of national secu-
8 rity, such as any impact the inclusion or designation
9 would have on use of the property for military train-
10 ing or readiness purposes.”.

11 (3) By adding at the end the following:

12 **“§ 302108. Objection by head of agency**

13 “If the head of the agency managing any Federal
14 property objects to such inclusion or designation for rea-
15 sons of national security, such as any impact the inclusion
16 or designation would have on use of the property for mili-
17 tary training or readiness purposes, that Federal property
18 shall be neither included on the National Register nor des-
19 igned as a National Historic Landmark until the objec-
20 tion is withdrawn.”.

21 (4) In the table of sections, by adding at the
22 end the following:

“302108. Objection by head of agency.”.

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