

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1344

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 16, 2005

Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut (for herself, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. SIMMONS, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. SHAYS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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## 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,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Lower Farmington  
5 River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic River Study  
6 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL SEGMENT OF FARM-**  
2 **INGTON RIVER AND SALMON BROOK IN CON-**  
3 **NECTICUT FOR STUDY FOR POTENTIAL ADDI-**  
4 **TION TO NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIV-**  
5 **ERS SYSTEM.**

6 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

7 (1) The Farmington River and Salmon Brook  
8 in the State of Connecticut possess important re-  
9 source values, including wildlife, ecological, and sce-  
10 nic values, and historic sites and a cultural past im-  
11 portant to America’s heritage.

12 (2) There is a longstanding interest among  
13 State and local officials, area residents, and river  
14 and brook users in undertaking a concerted coopera-  
15 tive effort to manage the river and brook in a pro-  
16 ductive and meaningful way.

17 (b) DESIGNATION.—Section 5(a) of the Wild and  
18 Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1276(a)) is amended by add-  
19 ing at the end the following new paragraph:

20 “(139) LOWER FARMINGTON RIVER AND SALMON  
21 BROOK, CONNECTICUT.—The segment of the Farmington  
22 River downstream from the segment designated as a rec-  
23 reational river by section 3(a)(156) to its confluence with  
24 the Connecticut River, and the segment of the Salmon  
25 Brook including its mainstem and east and west  
26 branches.”.

1       (c) TIME FOR SUBMISSION.—Not later than three  
2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
3 retary of the Interior shall submit to Congress a report  
4 containing the results of the study required by the amend-  
5 ment made by subsection (b).

6       (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
7 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be  
8 necessary to carry out this Act.

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