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H. R. 1158

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 14, 2013

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “North Cascades Na-
5 tional Park Service Complex Fish Stocking Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
 2 COMPLEX.—The term “North Cascades National
 3 Park Service Complex” means collectively the North
 4 Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recre-
 5 ation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation
 6 Area.

7 (2) PLAN.—The term “plan” means the docu-
 8 ment entitled “North Cascades National Park Serv-
 9 ice Complex Mountain Lakes Fishery Management
 10 Plan and Environmental Impact Statement” and
 11 dated June 2008.

12 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
 13 the Secretary of the Interior.

14 **SEC. 3. STOCKING OF CERTAIN LAKES IN THE NORTH CAS-**
 15 **CADES NATIONAL PARK SERVICE COMPLEX.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Sec-
 17 retary shall authorize the stocking of fish in lakes in the
 18 North Cascades National Park Service Complex.

19 (b) CONDITIONS.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized
 21 to allow stocking of fish in not more than 42 of the
 22 91 lakes in the North Cascades National Park Serv-
 23 ice Complex that have historically been stocked with
 24 fish.

1 (2) NATIVE NONREPRODUCING FISH.—The Sec-
2 retary shall only stock fish that are—

3 (A) native to the slope of the Cascade
4 Range on which the lake to be stocked is lo-
5 cated; and

6 (B) nonreproducing, as identified in man-
7 agement alternative B of the plan.

8 (3) CONSIDERATIONS.—In making fish stocking
9 decisions under this Act, the Secretary shall consider
10 relevant scientific information, including the plan
11 and information gathered under subsection (c).

12 (4) REQUIRED COORDINATION.—The Secretary
13 shall coordinate the stocking of fish under this Act
14 with the State of Washington.

15 (c) RESEARCH AND MONITORING.—The Secretary
16 shall—

17 (1) continue a program of research and moni-
18 toring of the impacts of fish stocking on the re-
19 sources of the applicable unit of the North Cascades
20 National Park Service Complex; and

21 (2) beginning on the date that is 5 years after
22 the date of enactment of this Act and every 5 years
23 thereafter, submit to the Committee on Energy and
24 Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee
25 on Natural Resources of the House of Representa-

- 1 tives a report that describes the results of the re-
- 2 search and monitoring under paragraph (1).

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