

Union Calendar No. 133

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1384

[Report No. 107-222]

To amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Navajo Long Walk to Bosque Redondo as a national historic trail.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 3, 2001

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself and Mr. CANNON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

SEPTEMBER 28, 2001

Additional sponsors: Mr. SKEEN and Mr. OLVER

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Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 3, 2001]

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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 “Long Walk National*
3 *Historic Trail Study Act”.*

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 *Congress finds the following:*

6 *(1) Beginning in the fall of 1863 and ending in*
7 *the winter of 1864, the United States Government*
8 *forced thousands of Navajos and Mescalero Apaches to*
9 *relocate from their ancestral lands to Fort Sumner,*
10 *New Mexico, where the tribal members were held cap-*
11 *tive, virtually as prisoners of war, for over 4 years.*

12 *(2) Thousands of Native Americans died at Fort*
13 *Sumner from starvation, malnutrition, disease, expo-*
14 *sure, or conflicts between the tribes and United States*
15 *military personnel.*

16 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION FOR STUDY.**

17 *Section 5(c) of the National Trails System Act (16*
18 *U.S.C. 1244(c)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-*
19 *lowing new paragraph:*

20 *“(____) The Long Walk Trail, a series of routes which*
21 *the Navajo and Mescalero Apache Indian tribes were forced*
22 *to walk beginning in the fall of 1863 as a result of their*
23 *removal by the United States Government from their ances-*
24 *tral lands, generally located within a corridor extending*
25 *through portions of Canyon de Chelley, Arizona, and Albu-*

- 1 *querque, Canyon Blanco, Anton Chico, Canyon Piedra*
- 2 *Pintado, and Fort Sumner, New Mexico.*”.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route in Arizona and New Mexico which the Navajo and Mescalero Apache Indian tribes were forced to walk in 1863 and 1864, for study for potential addition to the National Trails System.”.

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