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# H. R. 2197

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 23, 2013

Ms. PINGREE of Maine (for herself and Mr. MICHAUD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural 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 “York River Wild and  
5 Scenic River Study Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION FOR STUDY.**

2 Section 5(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16  
3 U.S.C. 1276(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
4 lowing:

5 “( ) YORK RIVER, MAINE.—(A) The York  
6 River that flows 11.25 miles from its headwaters at  
7 York Pond to the mouth of the river at York Har-  
8 bor, and all associated tributaries.

9 “(B) The study conducted under this paragraph  
10 shall—

11 “(i) determine the effect of the designation  
12 on—

13 “(I) existing commercial and rec-  
14 reational activities, such as hunting, fish-  
15 ing, trapping, recreational shooting, motor  
16 boat use, bridge construction;

17 “(II) the authorization, construction,  
18 operation, maintenance, or improvement of  
19 energy production and transmission infra-  
20 structure; and

21 “(III) the authority of State and local  
22 governments to manage those activities;  
23 and

24 “(ii) identify—

25 “(I) all authorities that will authorize  
26 or require the Secretary to influence local

1 land use decisions (such as zoning) or  
2 place restrictions on non-Federal land if  
3 designated under this Act;

4 “(II) all authorities that the Secretary  
5 may use to condemn property; and

6 “(III) all private property located in  
7 the area studied under this paragraph.”.

8 **SEC. 3. STUDY AND REPORT.**

9 Section 5(b) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16  
10 U.S.C. 1276(b)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
11 lowing:

12 “( ) YORK RIVER, MAINE.—The study of the  
13 York River, Maine, named in paragraph ( ) of sub-  
14 section (a) shall be completed by the Secretary of  
15 the Interior and the report thereon submitted to  
16 Congress not later than 3 years after the date on  
17 which funds are made available to carry out this  
18 paragraph.”.

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