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# H. R. 4358

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Little Manatee River as a component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 6, 2021

Mr. BUCHANAN (for himself and Mr. SOTO) 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 “Little Manatee Wild  
5 and Scenic River Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF WILD AND SCENIC RIVER SEG-**  
2 **MENTS, LITTLE MANATEE RIVER, FLORIDA.**

3 Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16  
4 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing:

6 “(231) LITTLE MANATEE RIVER, FLORIDA.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The approximately 50-mile  
8 segment beginning at the source in southeastern  
9 Hillsborough County, Florida, downstream to the  
10 point at which the river enters Tampa Bay, includ-  
11 ing appropriate tributaries, to be administered by  
12 the Secretary of the Interior as a scenic river.

13 “(B) SET ASIDE.—The designation under this  
14 paragraph shall not include—

15 “(i) those portions lying within Manatee  
16 County, Florida, and being more particularly  
17 described as Parcel ID 247800059, Parcel ID  
18 248200008 and Parcel ID 248100000; and

19 “(ii) South Fork.

20 “(C) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing  
21 rights, the Federal land within the boundaries of the  
22 river segments designated by subparagraph (A) is  
23 withdrawn from all forms of—

24 “(i) entry, appropriation, or disposal under  
25 the public land laws;

1           “(ii) location, entry, and patent under the  
2 mining laws; and

3           “(iii) disposition under all laws relating to  
4 mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral ma-  
5 terials.”.

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