

118TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 3574

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 3 of title 36, United States Code, to designate the mastodon as the national fossil of the United States.

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 “National Fossil Act”.

3 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL FOSSIL OF THE UNITED STATES.**

4 (a) DESIGNATION.—Chapter 3 of title 36, United  
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
6 lowing:

7 **“§ 306. National fossil**

8 “The fossil of the genus Mammut, commonly known  
9 as the mastodon, is the national fossil.”.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The table of sec-  
11 tions for chapter 3 of title 36, United States Code, is  
12 amended—

13 (1) by striking the chapter heading and insert-  
14 ing **“NATIONAL ANTHEM, MOTTO, FLO-  
15 RAL EMBLEM, MARCH, TREE, AND FOS-  
16 SIL”**; and

17 (2) by adding at the end the following:

“306. National fossil.”.

Passed the Senate July 29, 2024.

Attest:

*Secretary.*



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