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# S. 55

[Report No. 115–104]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 5, 2017

Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

JUNE 13, 2017

Reported by Ms. MURKOWSKI, with an amendment

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

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## A BILL

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York.

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 “Fort Ontario Study  
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FORT ONTARIO SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

2 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior (referred  
3 to in this section as the “Secretary”) shall conduct a spe-  
4 cial resource study of Fort Ontario in Oswego, New York.

5 (b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under sub-  
6 section (a), the Secretary shall—

7 (1) evaluate the national significance of the  
8 site;

9 (2) determine the suitability and feasibility of  
10 designating the site as a unit of the National Park  
11 System;

12 (3) consider other alternatives for preservation,  
13 protection, and interpretation of the lands by Fed-  
14 eral, State, or local governmental entities, or private  
15 and nonprofit organizations;

16 (4) consult with interested Federal, State, or  
17 local governmental entities, private and nonprofit or-  
18 ganizations or any other interested individuals;

19 (5) determine the effect of the designation of  
20 the site as a unit of the National Park System on  
21 existing commercial and recreational uses and the  
22 effect on State and local governments to manage  
23 those activities;

24 (6) identify any authorities, including con-  
25 demnation, that may compel or allow the Secretary  
26 to influence or participate in local land use decisions

1       (such as zoning) or place restrictions on non-Federal  
 2       land if the site is designated a unit of the National  
 3       Park System; and

4               (7) identify cost estimates for any Federal ac-  
 5       quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and  
 6       maintenance associated with the alternatives.

7       (c) **APPLICABLE LAW.**—The study authorized under  
 8       subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with sec-  
 9       tion 100507 of title 54, United States Code.

10       (d) **REPORT.**—Not later than 3 years after the date  
 11       on which funds are first made available for the study  
 12       under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the  
 13       Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-  
 14       resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural  
 15       Resources of the Senate a report that describes—

16               (1) the findings of the study; and

17               (2) any conclusions and recommendations of the  
 18       Secretary.

19       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

20               *This Act may be cited as the “Fort Ontario Study*  
 21       *Act”.*

22       **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

23               *In this Act:*

24               (1) **SECRETARY.**—*The term “Secretary” means*  
 25       *the Secretary of the Interior.*

1           (2) *STUDY AREA.*—*The term “study area” means*  
2           *Fort Ontario in Oswego, New York.*

3 **SEC. 3. FORT ONTARIO SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

4           (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall conduct a spe-*  
5           *cial resource study of the study area.*

6           (b) *CONTENTS.*—*In conducting the study under sub-*  
7           *section (a), the Secretary shall—*

8                   (1) *evaluate the national significance of the*  
9                   *study area;*

10                   (2) *determine the suitability and feasibility of*  
11                   *designating the study area as a unit of the National*  
12                   *Park System;*

13                   (3) *consider other alternatives for preservation,*  
14                   *protection, and interpretation of the study area by the*  
15                   *Federal Government, State or local government enti-*  
16                   *ties, or private and nonprofit organizations;*

17                   (4) *consult with interested Federal agencies,*  
18                   *State or local governmental entities, private and non-*  
19                   *profit organizations, or any other interested individ-*  
20                   *uals; and*

21                   (5) *identify cost estimates for any Federal acqui-*  
22                   *sition, development, interpretation, operation, and*  
23                   *maintenance associated with the alternatives.*

1           (c) *APPLICABLE LAW.*—*The study required under sub-*  
2 *section (a) shall be conducted in accordance with section*  
3 *100507 of title 54, United States Code.*

4           (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 3 years after the date*  
5 *on which funds are first made available to carry out the*  
6 *study under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to*  
7 *the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-*  
8 *resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Re-*  
9 *sources of the Senate a report that describes—*

10                   (1) *the results of the study; and*

11                   (2) *any conclusions and recommendations of the*  
12           *Secretary.*

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