

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 608

AN ACT

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the Deerfield River for potential addition to the national wild and scenic rivers system, and for other purposes.

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 “Deerfield River Wild
3 and Scenic River Study Act of 2023”.

4 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION FOR STUDY; REPORT.**

5 Section 5 of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16
6 U.S.C. 1276) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the
8 following:

9 “(147) DEERFIELD RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS
10 AND VERMONT.—The entire river, including—

11 “(A) the North, South, East, and West
12 Branches of the Deerfield River; and

13 “(B) the major tributaries of the Deerfield
14 River, including the Green River, North River,
15 South River, Clesson Brook, Chickley River,
16 Cold River, Gulf Brook, Bog Brook, and Dun-
17 bar Brook.”; and

18 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
19 following:

20 “(24) DEERFIELD RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS AND
21 VERMONT.—Not later than 3 years after the date on
22 which funds are made available to carry out this
23 paragraph, the Secretary of the Interior shall—

24 “(A) complete the study described in sub-
25 section (a)(147); and

1 “(B) submit to the appropriate committees
2 of Congress a report describing the results of
3 such study.”.

Passed the Senate December 18 (legislative day, December 16), 2024.

Attest:

Secretary.

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