

**Calendar No. 278**112<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION**S. 779****[Report No. 112-116]**

To authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program.

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**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

APRIL 8, 2011

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

JANUARY 13, 2012

Reported under authority of the order of the Senate of December 17, 2011,  
by Mr. BINGAMAN, without amendment

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “American Battlefield  
3 Protection Program Amendments Act of 2011”.

4 **SEC. 2. REVOLUTIONARY WAR AND WAR OF 1812 AMERICAN**  
5 **BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION.**

6 Section 7301(c) of the Omnibus Public Land Man-  
7 agement Act of 2009 (16 U.S.C. 469k–1(c)) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1)—

9 (A) by striking subparagraph (A) and in-  
10 serting the following:

11 “(A) **BATTLEFIELD REPORT.**—The term  
12 ‘battlefield report’ means, collectively—

13 “(i) the report entitled ‘Report on the  
14 Nation’s Civil War Battlefields’, prepared  
15 by the Civil War Sites Advisory Commis-  
16 sion, and dated July 1993; and

17 “(ii) the report entitled ‘Report to  
18 Congress on the Historic Preservation of  
19 Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Sites  
20 in the United States’, prepared by the Na-  
21 tional Park Service, and dated September  
22 2007.”; and

23 (B) in subparagraph (C)(ii), by striking  
24 “Battlefield Report” and inserting “battlefield  
25 report”;

1           (2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “eligible sites  
2 or” after “acquiring”;

3           (3) in paragraph (3), by inserting “an eligible  
4 site or” after “acquire”;

5           (4) in paragraph (4), by inserting “an eligible  
6 site or” after “acquiring”;

7           (5) in paragraph (5), by striking “An” and in-  
8 serting “An eligible site or an”;

9           (6) by redesignating paragraph (6) as para-  
10 graph (8);

11          (7) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-  
12 lowing:

13           “(6) WILLING SELLERS.—Acquisition of land  
14 or interests in land under this subsection shall be  
15 from willing sellers only.

16           “(7) REPORT.—Not later than 5 years after the  
17 date of enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary  
18 shall submit to Congress a report describing the ac-  
19 tivities carried out under this subsection, including  
20 a description of—

21           “(A) preservation activities carried out at  
22 the battlefields and associated sites identified in  
23 the battlefield report during the period between  
24 publication of the battlefield report and the re-  
25 port required under this paragraph;

1           “(B) changes in the condition of the bat-  
2           tlegrounds and associated sites during the period  
3           described in subparagraph (A); and

4           “(C) any other relevant developments re-  
5           lating to the battlefields and associated sites  
6           during the period described in subparagraph  
7           (A).”; and

8           (8) by striking paragraph (8) (as redesignated  
9           by paragraph (6)) and inserting the following:

10           “(8) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
11           There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-  
12           retary to provide grants under this subsection for  
13           each of fiscal years 2012 through 2022—

14           “(A) \$10,000,000 for the protection of  
15           Civil War battlefields; and

16           “(B) \$10,000,000 for the protection of  
17           Revolutionary War and War of 1812 battle-  
18           fields.”.



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