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H. R. 6799

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing the John P. Parker House in Ripley, Ohio, as a unit of the National Park System.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 18, 2022

Mr. WENSTRUP (for himself and Mrs. BEATTY) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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 “John P. Parker House
5 Study Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
2 the Secretary of the Interior.

3 (2) STUDY AREA.—The term “study area”
4 means the John P. Parker House in Ripley, Ohio,
5 which was recognized as a National Historic Land-
6 mark in 1997.

7 **SEC. 3. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY OF THE JOHN P.**
8 **PARKER HOUSE.**

9 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a special
10 resource study of the study area.

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

13 (1) evaluate the national significance of the
14 study area;

15 (2) determine the suitability and feasibility of
16 designating the study area as a unit of the National
17 Park System;

18 (3) consider other alternatives for preservation,
19 protection, and interpretation of the study area by
20 the Federal Government, State or local government
21 entities, or private and nonprofit organizations;

22 (4) consult with interested Federal agencies,
23 State or local governmental entities, private and
24 nonprofit organizations, or any other interested indi-
25 viduals; and

1 (5) identify cost estimates for any Federal ac-
2 quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and
3 maintenance associated with the alternatives.

4 (c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under
5 subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with sec-
6 tion 100507 of title 54, United States Code.

7 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
8 date on which funds are made available to carry out this
9 Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Nat-
10 ural Resources of the House of Representatives and the
11 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-
12 ate a report that describes—

13 (1) the results of the study; and

14 (2) any recommendations of the Secretary.

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