

108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 1687

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the preservation and interpretation of the historic sites of the Manhattan Project for potential inclusion in the National Park System.

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 “Manhattan Project Na-
5 tional Historical Park Study Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

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

5 (2) STUDY.—The term “study” means the
6 study authorized by section 3(a).

7 (3) STUDY AREA.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “study area”
9 means the historically significant sites associ-
10 ated with the Manhattan Project.

11 (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “study area”
12 includes—

13 (i) Los Alamos National Laboratory
14 and townsite in the State of New Mexico;

15 (ii) the Hanford Site in the State of
16 Washington; and

17 (iii) Oak Ridge Reservation in the
18 State of Tennessee.

19 **SEC. 3. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

20 (a) STUDY.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consulta-
22 tion with the Secretary of Energy, shall conduct a
23 special resource study of the study area to assess the
24 national significance, suitability, and feasibility of
25 designating 1 or more sites within the study area as
26 a unit of the National Park System in accordance

1 with section 8(c) of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C.
2 1a–5(c)).

3 (2) ADMINISTRATION.—In conducting the
4 study, the Secretary shall—

5 (A) consult with interested Federal, State,
6 tribal, and local officials, representatives of or-
7 ganizations, and members of the public;

8 (B) evaluate, in coordination with the Sec-
9 retary of Energy, the compatibility of desig-
10 nating 1 or more sites within the study area as
11 a unit of the National Park System with main-
12 taining the security, productivity, and manage-
13 ment goals of the Department of Energy and
14 public health and safety; and

15 (C) consider research in existence on the
16 date of enactment of this Act by the Depart-
17 ment of Energy on the historical significance
18 and feasibility of preserving and interpreting
19 the various sites and structures in the study
20 area.

21 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
22 on which funds are made available to carry out the study,
23 the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that de-
24 scribes the findings of the study and the conclusions and
25 recommendations of the Secretary.

1 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
3 as are necessary to carry out this Act.

 Passed the Senate September 15, 2004.

 Attest:

Secretary.

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