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2^D SESSION**S. 1969****[Report No. 110-305]**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 2, 2007

Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BAYH, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. CRAPO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

APRIL 10, 2008

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, with amendments

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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 “Alexander Hamilton
5 Boyhood Home Study Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

8 (1) Alexander Hamilton, a native of the former
9 British colonies in the Caribbean, moved with his
10 family to St. Croix in 1765;

11 (2) Alexander Hamilton, who resided on St.
12 Croix during his formative years and until he left for
13 New York in 1772, was first exposed to commerce
14 and business in the United States Virgin Islands
15 while clerking for the Christiansted branch of
16 Beekman and Cruger, a New York-based merchant
17 house;

18 (3) St. Croix is where Alexander Hamilton, the
19 future author of the Federalist Papers learned to
20 write for the public, from his teenage contributions
21 to the Royal Danish American Gazette;

22 (4) Alexander Hamilton’s mother, Rachel
23 Fawcett Levine, died in 1768 and was buried at Es-
24 tate Grange; and

1 ~~(5) the M. K. Armstrong Trust currently owns~~
 2 ~~and administers the 115-acre estate.~~

3 **SEC. 3. STUDY.**

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5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior (re-
 6 ferred to in this Act as the “Secretary”), in consultation
 7 with the Governor of the Virgin Islands, shall conduct a
 8 special resource study of Estate Grange and other sites
 9 and resources associated with Alexander Hamilton’s life
 10 on St. Croix in the United States Virgin Islands.

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

13 (1) the national significance of the sites and re-
 14 sources; and

15 (2) the suitability and feasibility of designating
 16 the sites and resources as a unit of the National
 17 Park System.

18 (c) CRITERIA.—The criteria for the study of areas
 19 for potential inclusion in the National Park System con-
 20 tained in section 8 of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–
 21 5) shall apply to the study under subsection (a).

22 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date
 23 on which funds are first made available for the study
 24 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the
 25 Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-

1 representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural
2 Resources of the Senate a report containing—

3 (1) the results of the study; and

4 (2) any findings, conclusions, and recommenda-
5 tions of the Secretary.

6 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

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8 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
9 as are necessary to carry out this Act.

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