the State of New York as an affiliated area of the National Park System, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

WILDERNESS BATTLEFIELD LAND ACQUISITION

The bill (H.R. 1665) to allow the National Park Service to acquire certain land for addition to the Wilderness Battlefield in Virginia, as previously authorized by law, by purchase or exchange as well as by donation, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

CHATAHOOCHEE RIVER NATIONAL RECREATION AREA IMPROVEMENT

The bill (H.R. 2140) to improve protection and management of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area in the State of Georgia, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

PERKINS COUNTY RURAL WATER SYSTEM ACT OF 1999

The bill (H.R. 970) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., for the construction of water supply facilities in Perkins County, South Dakota, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

NATIONAL GEOLOGIC MAPPING REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1999

The bill (H.R. 1528) to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

UPPER DELAWARE SCENIC AND RECREATIONAL RIVER MONGAUP VISITOR CENTER ACT OF 1999

The bill (H.R. 20) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct and operate a visitor center for the upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River on land owned by the State of New York, which had been reported from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

WORLD WAR VETERANS PARK AT MILLER FIELD

The bill (H.R. 599) to designate a portion of gateway National Recreation Area as “World War Veterans Park at Miller Field,” was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

FERAL LAND

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 154) to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units, and for other purposes, which had been reported from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. COMMERCIAL FILMING.
(a) COMMERCIAL FILMING FEE.—The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture (hereinafter individually referred to as the “Secretary” with respect to lands under their respective jurisdiction) shall require a permit and shall establish a reasonable fee for commercial filming activities or similar projects on Federal lands administered by the Secretary. Such fee shall be based on the Secretary's determination of the public risks to the public.

(b) RECOVERY OF COSTS.—The Secretary shall also collect any costs incurred as a result of filming activities or similar project, including but not limited to administrative and personnel costs. All costs recovered shall be in addition to the fee assessed in subsection (a).
(c) OCCASIONAL FILMING ACTIVITIES.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary shall not require a permit nor assess a fee for still photography on lands administered by the Secretary if such photography takes place at other locations where members of the public are generally not denied, or where additional administrative costs are likely.

SECTION 2. FEE SYSTEM FOR COMMERCIAL FILMING ACTIVITIES.
(a) REQUIREMENT TO PAY.—The Secretary shall require and shall establish a reasonable fee for commercial filming activities or similar project, including but not limited to administrative and personnel costs. All costs recovered shall be in addition to the fee assessed in subsection (a).
(b) PROTECTION OF RESOURCES.—The Secretary shall not permit any filming, still photography or other related activity if the Secretary determines—
(1) that the activity poses health or safety risks to the public;
(2) there would be an unreasonable disruption of the public's use and enjoyment of the site; or
(3) that the activity poses health or safety risks to the public.
(c) USE OF PROCEEDS.—(1) All fees collected under this Act shall be available for expenditure by the Secretary, without further appropriation, in accordance with the formula and purposes established for the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program (Public Law 104–334). All fees collected shall remain available until expended.

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