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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MEUSER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Endless Mountains  
5 National Heritage Area Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF ENDLESS MOUNTAINS NATIONAL**  
2 **HERITAGE AREA.**

3 (a) DESIGNATION.—Section 6001(a) of the John D.  
4 Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation  
5 Act (Public Law 116–9; 133 Stat. 768; 136 Stat. 6163)  
6 is amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(14) ENDLESS MOUNTAINS NATIONAL HERIT-  
8 AGE AREA.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established  
10 as a component of the National Heritage Area  
11 System the Endless Mountains National Herit-  
12 age Area in the State of Pennsylvania, to con-  
13 sist of Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, and  
14 Wyoming Counties, Pennsylvania, and any por-  
15 tions of other counties in the State of Pennsyl-  
16 vania identified in the feasibility study for the  
17 Endless Mountains National Heritage Area, the  
18 specific boundaries of which shall be established  
19 by the Secretary based on that feasibility study.

20 “(B) LOCAL COORDINATING ENTITY.—The  
21 Endless Mountains Heritage Region, Inc., shall  
22 be the local coordinating entity for the National  
23 Heritage Area designated by subparagraph  
24 (A).”.

25 (b) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—For the purposes of sec-  
26 tion 6001(c) of the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation,

1 Management, and Recreation Act (Public Law 116–9; 133  
2 Stat. 772; 136 Stat. 6173), the local coordinating entity  
3 for the Endless Mountains National Heritage Area des-  
4 igned under the amendment made by subsection (a)  
5 shall submit to the Secretary of the Interior for approval  
6 a proposed management plan for the Endless Mountains  
7 National Heritage Area not later than 3 years after the  
8 date of enactment of this Act.

9 (c) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—For the purposes  
10 of subsection (g)(4) of section 6001 of the John D. Din-  
11 gell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act  
12 (Public Law 116–9; 133 Stat. 776), the authority of the  
13 Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance under that  
14 section for the Endless Mountains National Heritage Area  
15 designated under the amendment made by subsection (a)  
16 shall terminate on the date that is 15 years after the date  
17 of enactment of this Act.