

98 H.R.2452

Title: A bill to designate certain lands within the Ozark and Ouachita National Forests in the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma as wilderness areas, to release other lands within such National Forests for uses other than wilderness, and for other purposes. Sponsor: Rep Anthony, Beryl, Jr. [AR-4] (introduced 4/11/1983) Cosponsors (None) Related Bills: H.R.2917, S.2125 Latest Major Action: 11/16/1983 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended).

**SUMMARY AS OF:**

4/11/1983--Introduced.

Arkansas and Oklahoma Wilderness Act of 1983 - Designates the following lands as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System: (1) the Black Fork Mountain Wilderness in the Ouachita National Forest in Arkansas and Oklahoma; (2) the Upper Kiamichi River Wilderness in the Ouachita National Forest in Arkansas and Oklahoma; (3) the Dry Creek Wilderness in the Ouachita National Forest in Arkansas; (4) the Belle Starr Cave Wilderness in the Ouachita National Forest in Arkansas; (5) the Hurricane Creek Wilderness in the Ozark National Forest in Arkansas; (6) the Richland Creek Wilderness in the Ozark National Forest in Arkansas; and (7) the Upper Buffalo Wilderness Addition in the Ozark National Forest in Arkansas.

Prohibits the use of motorized equipment, surface explosives, and shot holes in the wilderness areas designated by this Act for purposes of oil, gas, or mineral exploration.

Provides that the RARE II (second roadless area review and evaluation) final environmental statement (dated January 1979) with respect to national forest system lands in Arkansas and Oklahoma shall not be subject to judicial review. Releases national forest system lands within the Ozark and Ouachita National Forests in Arkansas and Oklahoma which have not been designated as wilderness from management as wilderness areas and from further review as to their suitability for designation as wilderness areas.

**MAJOR ACTIONS:**

\*\*\*NONE\*\*\*

**ALL ACTIONS:**

4/11/1983:

Referred to House Committee on Agriculture.

4/15/1983:

Referred to Subcommittee on Forest, Family Farms, and Energy.

5/26/1983:

Subcommittee Hearings Held.

11/16/1983:

Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.

11/16/1983:

Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended).

4/11/1983:

Referred to House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

4/21/1983:

Referred to Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks.

5/26/1983:

Subcommittee Hearings Held.

5/4/1983:

Executive Comment Requested from USDA.

10/6/1983:

Favorable Executive Comment Received From USDA.

9/26/1984:

For Further Action See S.2125.

TITLE(S):

- SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED: Arkansas and Oklahoma Wilderness Act of 1983
- OFFICIAL TITLE AS INTRODUCED: A bill to designate certain lands within the Ozark and Ouachita National Forests in the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma as wilderness areas, to release other lands within such National Forests for uses other than wilderness, and for other purposes.

COSPONSOR(S):

\*\*\*NONE\*\*\*

COMMITTEE(S):

Committee/Subcommittee:

House Agriculture

Subcommittee on Forests, Family Farms, and Energy

House Interior and Insular Affairs

Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks

Activity:

Referral, In Committee

Referral, Hearings, Markup,  
Reporting

Referral, In Committee

Referral, Hearings

RELATED BILL DETAILS: (additional related bills may be identified in Status)

Bill:

H.R.2917

S.2125

Relationship:

Related bill identified by CRS

Related bill identified by CRS

AMENDMENT(S):

\*\*\*NONE\*\*\*