

113TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1561

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make improvements to support facilities for National Historic Sites operated by the National Park Service, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 15, 2013

Mr. GARDNER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Natural Resources

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. IMPROVEMENT, OPERATION, AND USE OF SUP-**
4 **PORT FACILITIES.**

5 (a) IMPROVEMENT.—The Secretary of the Interior,
6 acting through the National Park Service, may make im-
7 provements to a support facility, including a visitor center,

1 for a National Historic Site administered by the National
2 Park Service if the project—

3 (1) is conducted within the agency's existing
4 budget;

5 (2) is subject to a 50-percent non-Federal cost
6 sharing requirement; and

7 (3) is conducted for a unit of the National Park
8 System which has authority to establish a support
9 facility outside the park boundary.

10 (b) OPERATION AND USE.—The National Park Serv-
11 ice may operate and use all or part of a support facility,
12 including a visitor center, for a National Historic Site—

13 (1) to carry out duties associated with admin-
14 istering and supporting the National Historic Site;
15 and

16 (2) only in situations where there is an agree-
17 ment between the Secretary of Interior and the com-
18 missioners of the County or Parish in which the sup-
19 port facility is located.

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