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To reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 10, 2007

Mr. CRAIG (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. BENNETT, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BUNNING, and Mr. ROBERTS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

FEBRUARY 15, 2007

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, without amendment

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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 “National Geologic  
5 Mapping Reauthorization Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Section 2(a) of the National Geologic Mapping Act  
3 of 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31a(a)) is amended—

4 (1) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the  
5 following:

6 “(1) although significant progress has been  
7 made in the production of geologic maps since the  
8 establishment of the national cooperative geologic  
9 mapping program in 1992, no modern, digital, geo-  
10 logic map exists for approximately 75 percent of the  
11 United States;” and

12 (2) in paragraph (2)—

13 (A) in subparagraph (C), by inserting  
14 “homeland and” after “planning for”;

15 (B) in subparagraph (E), by striking “pre-  
16 dicting” and inserting “identifying”;

17 (C) in subparagraph (I), by striking “and”  
18 after the semicolon at the end;

19 (D) by redesignating subparagraph (J) as  
20 subparagraph (K); and

21 (E) by inserting after subparagraph (I) the  
22 following:

23 “(J) recreation and public awareness;  
24 and”; and

25 (3) in paragraph (9), by striking “important”  
26 and inserting “available”.

1 **SEC. 3. PURPOSE.**

2 Section 2(b) of the National Geologic Mapping Act  
3 of 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31a(b)) is amended by inserting “and  
4 management” before the period at the end.

5 **SEC. 4. DEADLINES FOR ACTIONS BY THE UNITED STATES**  
6 **GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.**

7 Section 4(b)(1) of the National Geologic Mapping Act  
8 of 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31c(b)(1)) is amended in the second  
9 sentence—

10 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “not later  
11 than” and all that follows through the semicolon and  
12 inserting “not later than 1 year after the date of en-  
13 actment of the National Geologic Mapping Reau-  
14 thorization Act of 2007;”;

15 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “not later  
16 than” and all that follows through “in accordance”  
17 and inserting “not later than 1 year after the date  
18 of enactment of the National Geologic Mapping Re-  
19 authorization Act of 2007 in accordance”; and

20 (3) in the matter preceding clause (i) of sub-  
21 paragraph (C), by striking “not later than” and all  
22 that follows through “submit” and inserting “submit  
23 biennially”.

24 **SEC. 5. GEOLOGIC MAPPING PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.**

25 Section 4(e)(2) of the National Geologic Mapping Act  
26 of 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31c(e)(2)) is amended—



1 after “Administrator of the Environmental Pro-  
2 tection Agency or a designee,”;

3 (B) by inserting “and” after “Energy or a  
4 designee,”; and

5 (C) by striking “, and the Assistant to the  
6 President for Science and Technology or a des-  
7 ignee”; and

8 (2) in paragraph (3)—

9 (A) by striking “Not later than” and all  
10 that follows through “consultation” and insert-  
11 ing “In consultation”;

12 (B) by striking “Chief Geologist, as Chair-  
13 man” and inserting “Associate Director for Ge-  
14 ology, as Chair”; and

15 (C) by striking “one representative from  
16 the private sector” and inserting “2 representa-  
17 tives from the private sector”.

18 (b) DUTIES.—Section 5(b) of the National Geologic  
19 Mapping Act of 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31d(b)) is amended—

20 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the  
21 end;

22 (2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-  
23 graph (4); and

24 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
25 lowing:



1 the National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of  
2 2007 and biennially”.

3 **SEC. 10. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS; ALLOCA-**  
4 **TION.**

5 Section 9 of the National Geologic Mapping Act of  
6 1992 (43 U.S.C. 31h) is amended—

7 (1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the  
8 following:

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appro-  
10 priated to carry out this Act \$64,000,000 for each of fiscal  
11 years 2007 through 2016.”; and

12 (2) in subsection (b)—

13 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
14 by striking “2000” and inserting “2005”;

15 (B) in paragraph (1), by striking “48” and  
16 inserting “50”; and

17 (C) in paragraph (2), by striking 2 and in-  
18 serting “4”.

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