

Congress Sends Bill to Nixon to Establish Wilderness Areas

The Congress has sent to the President a bill establishing six new wilderness areas in Alaska.

Three of the areas—located in the St. Lazaria, Hazy Islands and Forrester Island National Wildlife Refuges—are in southeastern Alaska.

The new Tuxedni Wilderness Area is located on Chisif Island in the Cook Inlet and the Bogoslof Wilderness Area is located on Bogoslof Island, 27 miles

north of Umnak in the Aleutian Chain.

The sixth new area is in the Bering Sea Wildlife Refuge on St. Matthew Island.

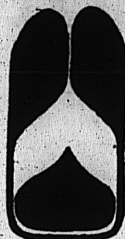
"I am pleased that Congress has approved these new wilderness areas for Alaska," Stevens said. Stevens testified in favor of designating the new areas before the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee.

No commercial enterprise, no temporary or permanent roads, no use of motor vehicles, motor-

ized equipment or motor boats, no landing of aircraft, no other form of mechanical transport,

and no structure or installation is permitted within areas designated as wilderness areas.

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YOUR SENATOR, YOUR VOTE, WAS ABSENT AND UN-ANNOUNCED WHEN THE SENATE VOTED ON:

1. Establishing standards for coal mine safety and health precautions, (S 2917, Oct. 2, 1969).
2. The "Murphy Amendment" which would have given any governor veto power over any OEO Legal Services Program in the State (S 3016, Oct. 14, 1969).
3. Extending the Office of Economic Opportunity for two years. (S 3016, Oct. 14, 1969)
4. Extending the Select Senate Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs through January 31, 1971. (SR 323, Feb. 16, 1970)
5. Barring Federal aid student loans to applicants who have been convicted of crimes involving trespass or seizures of university property. (HR 15931, Feb. 25, 1970)
6. The Tax Reform Act of 1961. (HR 13270, Dec. 11, 1969)
7. Increasing from \$200 million to \$500 million, fiscal 1971 appropriations for housing and Urban Development grants for basic water and sewer facilities, and to increase urban renewal appropriations. (HR 1754, July 7, 1970)
8. Increasing Farmers Home Administration loans to rural towns for water and sewer facilities and to increase urban renewal appropriations. (HR 17323, July 8, 1970)
9. Amendment to prohibit disposal of chemical or biological warfare agent unless it has been first detoxified or otherwise made harmless, except when immediate disposal is necessary to safeguard human life. (HR 17123, August 24, 1970)
10. His own amendment requiring the Pentagon to furnish Congress with information on the cost of its weapons systems was put to a vote. (S 2546, August 7, 1969)
11. Amendment to provide minimum Social Security benefits of \$100 for a single person and \$150 for a married couple. This important amendment passed the Senate 48-41 on Dec. 5, 1969. Stevens was unannounced on the measure which was opposed by the Nixon Administration yet he was present and voting at other times during the same day to vote on a number of Social Security measures that had administration backing as well as overwhelming Senatorial support.

YOU DESERVE TO KNOW WHERE YOUR SENATOR STANDS, EVEN WHEN HE CAN'T BE PRESENT ON THE FLOOR, WHEN HE CAN BE PRESENT, HE SHOULD BE THERE. IT'S ONLY FAIR. This ad has been published early to allow Senator Stevens the chance to reply. Source: Congressional Record.