

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4285

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to designate an entrance-fee free date in 2026 at National Park Service sites in order to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States of America.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Semiquincentennial
3 Tourism and Access to Recreation Sites Act” or the
4 “STARS Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. WAIVED FEES AT PUBLIC RECREATIONAL SITES IN**
6 **HONOR OF AMERICA’S 250TH ANNIVERSARY.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—In honor of the
8 semiquincentennial of the United States of America—

9 (1) the Secretary of the Interior shall—

10 (A) designate September 17, 2026, as an
11 entrance-fee free date on which admission is
12 free to all visitors with respect to each National
13 Park Service site that charges an entrance fee;
14 and

15 (B) waive standard amenity recreation fees
16 on September 17, 2026, for each visitor to each
17 site managed by the Bureau of Land Manage-
18 ment, United States Fish and Wildlife Service,
19 or Bureau of Reclamation that charges a stand-
20 ard amenity recreation fee; and

21 (2) the Secretary of Agriculture shall waive
22 standard amenity recreation fees for September 17,
23 2026, for each visitor to each site managed by the
24 Forest Service that charges a standard amenity
25 recreation fee.

26 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) ENTRANCE FEE.—The term “entrance fee”
2 has the meaning given the term in section 802 of the
3 Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (16
4 U.S.C. 6801).

5 (2) STANDARD AMENITY RECREATION FEE.—
6 The term “standard amenity recreation fee” has the
7 meaning given the term in section 802 of the Fed-
8 eral Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C.
9 6801).

 Passed the House of Representatives December 9,
2025.

Attest:

Clerk.

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