

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5163

To prohibit camping on public property in the District of Columbia.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

Mr. TIMMONS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

To prohibit camping on public property in the District of
Columbia.

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. PROHIBITION ON CAMPING ON PUBLIC PROP-**
4 **ERTY IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on and after the date
6 of the enactment of this Act, it shall be unlawful in the
7 District of Columbia to camp outdoors on public property.

8 (b) PENALTY.—Any person who violates subsection
9 (a) shall be fined not more than \$500, imprisoned for not
10 more than 30 days, or both.

1 (c) CAMP DEFINED.—In this section, the term
2 “camp” means to use any material to set up, maintain,
3 or establish a temporary place of abode.

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