

Union Calendar No. 294

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5163

[Report No. 119-342]

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

OCTOBER 14, 2025

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on September 4, 2025]

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Clean and Managed*
5 *Public Spaces Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON CAMPING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY**

7 **IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

8 *Section 824 of the Act to establish a code of law for*
9 *the District of Columbia, as approved March 3, 1901 (sec.*
10 *22–3302, D.C. Official Code) is amended by adding at the*
11 *end the following new subsection:*

12 *“(c)(1) Any person who, without lawful authority, en-*
13 *gages in camping outdoors on public property in the Dis-*
14 *trict of Columbia shall be fined not more than \$500, impris-*
15 *oned for not more than 30 days, or both.*

16 *“(2) For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘camp-*
17 *ing’ means erecting, placing, maintaining, or using tem-*
18 *porary structures, including tents, tarps, and other tem-*
19 *porary shelters for living accommodation activities, includ-*
20 *ing sleeping or making preparations to sleep, sleeping in-*
21 *side or outside of a motor vehicle or making preparations*
22 *to sleep outside of a motor vehicle, including laying down*
23 *a sleeping bag, blanket, or other material used for bed-*
24 *ding.”.*

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