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# H. R. 3868

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 6, 2023

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Mr. BURCHETT, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. LAWLER, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. LIEU) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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 “Tracking and Report-  
5 ing Absent Community-members Everywhere Act” or the  
6 “TRACE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DATA FIELD IN THE NATIONAL MISSING AND UN-**  
2 **IDENTIFIED PERSONS SYSTEM RELATED TO**  
3 **FEDERAL LAND.**

4 The Attorney General, acting through the Director  
5 of the National Institute of Justice, shall include in the  
6 National Missing and Unidentified Persons System a data  
7 field to indicate whether the last known location of the  
8 missing person was confirmed or was suspected to have  
9 been on Federal land, including any specific location de-  
10 tails about the unit of Federal land that was the last  
11 known location of the missing person.

12 **SEC. 3. REPORT.**

13 Beginning in the second calendar year that begins  
14 after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually  
15 thereafter, on January 15th, the Attorney General, acting  
16 through the Director of the National Institute of Justice,  
17 shall submit to the Committees on the Judiciary of the  
18 House of Representatives and of the Senate a report that  
19 contains, for the previous calendar year, the number of  
20 cases in the National Missing and Unidentified Persons  
21 System for which the missing person's last known location  
22 was confirmed or was suspected to have been on Federal  
23 land.

24 **SEC. 4. DEFINITION.**

25 In this Act, the term "Federal land" means land  
26 owned by the United States that is under the administra-

1 tive jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Sec-  
2 retary of the Interior (except land held in trust for the  
3 benefit of an Indian Tribe), or the Secretary of Defense  
4 only with respect to land and water resources projects ad-  
5 ministered by the Army Corps of Engineers.

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