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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. COTTON, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. MCSALLY, and Mr. CORNYN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Butterfield Overland National Historic Trail Designation Act”.
SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF THE BUTTERFIELD OVERLAND NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL.

Section 5(a) of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(31) BUTTERFIELD OVERLAND NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Butterfield Overland National Historic Trail, a trail of approximately 3,292 miles following the route operated by the Butterfield Overland Mail Company, known as the ‘Ox-Bow Route’, to transport mail and passengers between the eastern termini of St. Louis, Missouri, and Memphis, Tennessee, extending westward through the States of Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona, to the western terminus of San Francisco, California, as generally depicted on the maps numbered 1 through 15, entitled ‘Study Route Maps’, and contained in the report prepared by the National Park Service entitled ‘Butterfield Overland Trail National Historical Trail Special Resource Study’ and dated May 2018.

“(B) MAPS.—The maps described in subparagraph (A) shall be on file and available for
public inspection in the appropriate offices of
the National Park Service.

“(C) Administration.—The trail estab-
lished by subparagraph (A) shall be adminis-
tered by the Secretary of the Interior.

“(D) Land Acquisition.—The United
States shall not acquire for the trail established
by subparagraph (A) any land or interest in
land outside of the exterior boundary of any
federally administered area without the consent
of the owner of the land or interest in land.”.