## Natural Resources Management Act includes NH priorities, now goes to president

WASHINGTON On Feb. 26 the House of Representatives passed S. 47 — the Natural Resources Management Act, which includes legislation championed by Kuster that will protect natural resources and promote tourism in New Hampshire. The House of Representatives followed the Senate and passed

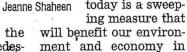
legislacritical tion that includes Sens. Jeanne Shaheen and Maggie Hassan's bills to permanently reauthorize the Land and Water Conservation

Fund. protect Nashua River and redesignate Saint-Gauden's National Historic Site as a "National Historic Park."

The bill includes legislation introduced by the New Hampshire delegation to redesignate the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site as "National Historical Park." which would change the name of the site to more accurately illustrate the size and complexity of the location. The legislation includes the Nashua River Wild and Scenic River Act to designate portions of the Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers in Massachusetts and New Hampshire as scenic rivers under the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. The package also contains a longterm priority for Kuster, permanent reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation (LWCF). The Fund LWCF program helps fund the conservation of national parks, forests, wildlife refuges, wilderness areas, and state and local parks, among many

other sites. The legislation will now head to the President's desk for his signature.

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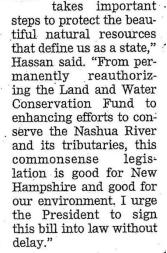


Kuster. "In the State, Granite our identity is closely tied to the natural beauty of our landscape, and I'm proud to fight to protect the resources that

make New Hampshire such a wonderful place to live and visit."

The legislation now heads to the president's desk to be signed into law. "I am very pleased to see this legislation head to the president's desk for signature – a final step in a long process to enact these measures that will preserve and protect New Hampshire's natural beauty," said Shaheen. "Permanently reauthorizing LWCF will bolster our outdoor economy and help preserve the sites we treasure most in New Hampshire, including the White Mountain National Forest, and protecting the Nashua River's waters, wildlife, and natural resources will support communities across the region. Saint-Gaudens bridges the connection between natural beauty and art with its historic architecture, American art, landscapes and trails, and redesignating the site as a National Historical Park will more appropriately reflect its purpose. I will always support efforts that safeguard New Hampshire's historical significance and natural

beauty." "I am encourthat aged the House of Representatives voted to approve this bipartisan legislation that





Maggie Hassan