116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 664

To protect the right of individuals to bear arms at water resources development projects administered by the Secretary of the Army, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 17, 2019

Mr. Gibbs (for himself, Mr. Harris, Mr. Johnson of Ohio, Mr. Long, Mr. Wenstrup, Mr. Babin, Mr. Fleischmann, Mr. Bergman, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Rutherford, Mr. Gohmert, Mr. Young, Mr. Lamalfa, Mr. Cloud, Mr. Rice of South Carolina, Mr. Olson, and Mr. Weber of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 "Recreational Lands
- 5 Self-Defense Act of 2019".
- 6 SEC. 2. PROTECTING AMERICANS FROM VIOLENT CRIME.
- 7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

- 1 (1) The Second Amendment to the Constitution 2 provides that "the right of the people to keep and 3 bear Arms, shall not be infringed".
- 4 (2) Section 327.13 of title 36, Code of Federal
 5 Regulations, provides that, except in special cir6 cumstances, "possession of loaded firearms, ammu7 nition, loaded projectile firing devices, bows and ar8 rows, crossbows, or other weapons is prohibited" at
 9 water resources development projects administered
 10 by the Secretary of the Army.
 - (3) The regulations described in paragraph (2) prevent individuals complying with Federal and State laws from exercising the Second Amendment rights of the individuals while at such water resources development projects.
 - (4) The Federal laws should make it clear that the Second Amendment rights of an individual at a water resources development project should not be infringed.
- 20 (b) PROTECTING THE RIGHT OF INDIVIDUALS TO
 21 BEAR ARMS AT WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
 22 PROJECTS.—The Secretary of the Army shall not promul23 gate or enforce any regulation that prohibits an individual
 24 from possessing a firearm, including an assembled, func-

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- $1\,$ project covered under section 327.0 of title 36, Code of
- 2 Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment
- 3 of this Act), if—
- 4 (1) the individual is not otherwise prohibited by
- 5 law from possessing the firearm; and
- 6 (2) the possession of the firearm is in compli-7 ance with the law of the State in which the water 8 resources development project is located.

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