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The Committee on Natural Resources recommends the following:

**Committee Substitute**

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to state reserves; creating s. 258.166, F.S.; establishing the Rodman Reservoir State Reserve; directing the Division of Recreation and Parks of the Department of Environmental Protection to develop multipurpose recreational opportunities and provide supervision of the area; allowing public hunting; authorizing the Division of State Lands to acquire adjacent or contiguous property; requiring the Division of State Lands to notify persons with easements in the area; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 258.166, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

258.166 Rodman Reservoir State Reserve designated.--There is designated and established a state reserve to be known as Rodman Reservoir State Reserve, in Marion and Putnam Counties,



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29 | which shall include all state-owned lands within the floodplain  
30 | of the Oklawaha River and those hereafter acquired by the state  
31 | from Eureka Dam in Marion County to Buckman Lock in Putnam  
32 | County. Those lands are deemed and held to be a state reserve,  
33 | under the supervision of the Division of Recreation and Parks of  
34 | the Department of Environmental Protection. The division is  
35 | charged with the duty of providing for the development of  
36 | multipurpose recreational opportunities at this reserve and the  
37 | care, upkeep, maintenance, and beautification of the Rodman  
38 | Reservoir State Reserve, including all those dams, locks, and  
39 | other structures transferred by the Federal Government to the  
40 | state. Any action that would substantially alter the area  
41 | encompassing the reserve as it existed on January 1, 2003, must  
42 | be approved by law, provided that nothing in this section shall  
43 | preclude the Division of Recreation and Parks of the Department  
44 | of Environmental Protection from performing necessary  
45 | maintenance and improvements as required for the continued  
46 | operation of the dams, locks, or other structures and facilities  
47 | within the state reserve.

48 | (1) Public hunting is allowed in the state reserve as  
49 | authorized by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

50 | (2) The Division of State Lands of the Department of  
51 | Environmental Protection may acquire in the name of the Board of  
52 | Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund any additional  
53 | property adjacent or contiguous to the Rodman Reservoir State  
54 | Reserve from private owners or from the United States Government  
55 | for improved management and recreational opportunities.



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56           (3) The Division of State Lands shall identify, contact,  
57 and inform all property owners who hold easements located within  
58 the taking line of the Rodman Reservoir of the designation of  
59 this area as a state reserve.

60           (4) By January 1, 2004, the Division of State Lands shall  
61 submit a report to the Executive Office of the Governor, the  
62 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
63 Representatives which:

64           (a) Identifies the entities that hold easements within the  
65 taking line of the reservoir.

66           (b) Indicates whether the holder of an easement is willing  
67 to sell the easement.

68           (c) Estimates the cost of acquiring the easements.

69           (d) Identifies any additional issues resulting from this  
70 designation.

71           Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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