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To prepare the National Park Service for its Centennial in 2016 and for a second century of promoting and protecting the natural, historic, and cultural resources of our National Parks for the enjoyment of present and future generations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2016

Mr. BISHOP of Utah introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “National Park Service Centennial Act”.

1 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of
2 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Purpose.
- Sec. 3. Definitions.

TITLE I—NATIONAL PARK CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE FUND

- Sec. 101. National Park Centennial Challenge Fund.
- Sec. 102. Comparable pass cost for seniors.
- Sec. 103. Signature projects and programs.
- Sec. 104. Donations.
- Sec. 105. Summary to Congress.

TITLE II—NATIONAL PARK FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT

- Sec. 201. Short title.
- Sec. 202. Second Century Endowment for the National Park Service.

TITLE III—NATIONAL PARK NEXT GENERATION STEWARDS

- Sec. 301. National Park Service interpretation and education.
- Sec. 302. Public Land Corps amendments.
- Sec. 303. Volunteers in the parks.

TITLE IV—NATIONAL PARK FOUNDATION AUTHORITIES

- Sec. 401. Board of directors.
- Sec. 402. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS

- Sec. 501. National Historic Preservation Act.
- Sec. 502. National Park Service concession management advisory board.

3 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

4 It is the purpose of this Act to establish a fund in
5 the Treasury to finance signature projects and programs
6 to enhance the National Park System as it approaches its
7 centennial in 2016 and to prepare the parks for another
8 century of conservation, preservation, and enjoyment.

9 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

10 In this Act:

1 (1) CHALLENGE FUND.—The term “Challenge
2 Fund” means the National Park Centennial Chal-
3 lenge Fund established in title I.

4 (2) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means
5 the Director of the National Park Service.

6 (3) ENDOWMENT.—The term “Endowment”
7 means the Second Century Endowment for the Na-
8 tional Park Service established by title II.

9 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
10 the Secretary of the Interior.

11 (5) SIGNATURE PROJECT OR PROGRAM.—The
12 term “signature project or program” means any
13 project or program identified by the Secretary as
14 one that will help prepare the national parks for an-
15 other century of conservation, preservation, and en-
16 joyment.

17 (6) QUALIFIED DONATION.—The term “quali-
18 fied donation” means a cash donation, or the bind-
19 ing pledge of a cash donation that is guaranteed by
20 an irrevocable letter of credit, to the National Park
21 Service that the Director certifies shall be used for
22 a signature project or program.

1 **TITLE I—NATIONAL PARK**
2 **CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE FUND**

3 **SEC. 101. NATIONAL PARK CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE FUND.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established in
5 the Treasury a fund to be known as the “National Park
6 Centennial Challenge Fund”. The Challenge Fund shall
7 consist of—

8 (1) qualified donations that are transferred
9 from the National Park Service donation account in
10 accordance with section 104(a); and

11 (2) hereafter, an amount equal to the qualified
12 donations received under section 104(a), not to ex-
13 ceed amounts accumulated under section 102, in-
14 cluding any carryover from previous fiscal years.

15 (b) AVAILABILITY.—All amounts transferred or ap-
16 propriated to the Challenge Fund shall be available to the
17 Secretary for signature projects and programs, without
18 further appropriation, until expended.

19 **SEC. 102. COMPARABLE PASS COST FOR SENIORS.**

20 The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (16
21 U.S.C. 6801, Public Law 108–447, division J, title VIII)
22 is amended in section 805(b)(1)—

23 (1) by striking “The Secretary” and inserting
24 “(A) The Secretary”;

25 (2) by striking “, at a cost of \$10.00,”;

1 (3) by striking “shall be valid for the lifetime
2 of the pass holder.” and inserting the following:

3 “shall be available—

4 “(i) for a period of 12 months from
5 the date of the issuance, at a cost of \$20;
6 and

7 “(ii) for the lifetime of the passholder,
8 at a cost equal to the cost of the National
9 Parks and Federal Recreational Lands
10 Pass purchased under subsection (a).”;

11 and

12 (4) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(B) Amounts in excess of \$10 that are
14 charged by the National Park Service for a pass
15 under subparagraph (A)(i) shall be deposited in
16 the National Park Centennial Challenge Fund
17 established under section 101(a) of the Na-
18 tional Park Service Centennial Act.”.

19 **SEC. 103. SIGNATURE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS.**

20 (a) LIST.—The Secretary shall—

21 (1) develop a list of signature projects and pro-
22 grams eligible for funding from the Challenge Fund;
23 and

24 (2) submit the list developed under paragraph

25 (1) (and updated under subsection (b)) to the Com-

1 mittees on Appropriations and Natural Resources of
2 the House of Representatives and the Committees
3 on Appropriations and Energy and Natural Re-
4 sources of the Senate.

5 (b) UPDATES.—The Secretary may, from time to
6 time as the Secretary finds appropriate, add any signature
7 project or program to the list and provide notice of such
8 addition as required by subsection (a).

9 **SEC. 104. DONATIONS.**

10 (a) QUALIFIED DONATIONS.—The Secretary may
11 transfer to the Challenge Fund any qualified donation re-
12 ceived by the National Park Service.

13 (b) SOLICITATION.—Nothing in this title shall be
14 construed to expand the authority of the National Park
15 Service and its employees to receive or solicit donations.

16 **SEC. 105. SUMMARY TO CONGRESS.**

17 The Secretary shall provide with the submission of
18 the President’s budget a summary of the status and fund-
19 ing of the signature projects and programs.

20 **TITLE II—NATIONAL PARK**
21 **FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT**

22 **SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.**

23 This title may be cited as the “National Park Foun-
24 dation Endowment Act”.

1 **SEC. 202. SECOND CENTURY ENDOWMENT FOR THE NA-**
2 **TIONAL PARK SERVICE.**

3 (a) SECOND CENTURY ENDOWMENT.—Chapter 1011
4 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by inserting
5 at the end the following:

6 **“§ 101121. Second Century Endowment for the Na-**
7 **tional Park Service**

8 “(a) SECOND CENTURY ENDOWMENT.—To further
9 the mission of the Service, the National Park Foundation
10 shall establish a special account to be known as the ‘Sec-
11 ond Century Endowment for the National Park Service’.

12 “(1) FUNDS FOR THE ENDOWMENT.—

13 “(A) The Endowment shall consist of any
14 gifts, devises, or bequests that are provided to
15 the National Park Foundation for such pur-
16 pose.

17 “(B) The National Park Foundation shall
18 deposit any funds received for the Endowment
19 in a federally insured interest-bearing account
20 or may invest funds in appropriate security ob-
21 ligations, as directed by the Board of Directors.

22 “(C)(i) The Secretary may, either directly
23 or through a concessions contract, lease, or
24 similar instrument, impose a fee in a System
25 unit in addition to the daily cost of lodging in
26 facilities in that System unit. Amounts collected

1 under this clause shall be deposited into the
2 Endowment.

3 “(ii) The Secretary shall ensure that a fee
4 imposed under this subparagraph in a System
5 unit does not raise the aggregate amount of
6 fees imposed by local, State, and Federal gov-
7 ernments to more than 5 percent of the base
8 daily cost of lodging in facilities in that System
9 unit.

10 “(iii) No fees may be charged under this
11 subparagraph within a unit of the National
12 Park System for—

13 “(I) employees of the National Park
14 System, including seasonal employees or
15 employees of concessioners, who live in
16 housing provided in a national park due to
17 their employment and house guests of such
18 employees;

19 “(II) persons engaged in residential
20 educational and interpretive programs who
21 are lodged in national park facilities while
22 participating in these programs; and

23 “(III) lodging on private property
24 within a unit of the National Park System.

1 “(D) Any accrued interest or dividends
2 earned on funds received for the Endowment
3 shall be added to the principal and form a part
4 of the Endowment.

5 “(2) USE OF FUNDS.—

6 “(A) The National Park Foundation shall
7 use funds deposited in the Endowment for
8 projects and activities approved by the Sec-
9 retary that further the mission and purposes of
10 the Service.

11 “(B) In administering the Endowment
12 each fiscal year, the National Park Foundation
13 shall be guided by the District of Columbia
14 Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional
15 Funds Act of 2007 (D.C. Code § 44–1631 et
16 seq.), including section 44–1633 on expendi-
17 tures.

18 “(C) No funds received for the Endowment
19 shall be used by the National Park Foundation
20 for administrative expenses of the Foundation,
21 including for salaries, travel and transportation
22 expenses, and other overhead expenses.

23 “(b) SUMMARY.—Beginning 2 years after the date of
24 the enactment of this section, the National Park Founda-

1 tion shall include with its annual report a summary of the
 2 status of the Endowment. The summary shall include—

3 “(1) a statement of the amounts deposited in
 4 the Endowment during the fiscal year;

5 “(2) the amount of the balance remaining in
 6 the Endowment at the end of the fiscal year; and

7 “(3) a description of the sums and purposes of
 8 the expenditures made from the Endowment for the
 9 fiscal year.”.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
 11 tions for chapter 1011 of title 54, United States Code,
 12 is amended by inserting at the end the following:

“101121. Second Century Endowment for the National Park Service.”.

13 **TITLE III—NATIONAL PARK**
 14 **NEXT GENERATION STEWARDS**
 15 **SEC. 301. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INTERPRETATION AND**
 16 **EDUCATION.**

17 Title 54, United States Code, is amended by inserting
 18 after chapter 1007 the following:

19 **“CHAPTER 1008—EDUCATION AND**
 20 **INTERPRETATION**

“100801. Purposes.

“100802. Definitions.

“100803. Interpretation and education authority.

“100804. Interpretation and education evaluation and quality improvement.

“100805. Improved utilization of partners and volunteers in interpretation and
 education.

1 **“§ 100801. Purposes**

2 “The purposes of this chapter are—

3 “(1) to more effectively achieve the mission of
4 the Service by providing clear authority and direc-
5 tion for interpretation and education programs that
6 are carried out by the Service under separate au-
7 thorities;

8 “(2) to ensure that the public encounters a va-
9 riety of interpretive and educational opportunities
10 and services during their visits to our System units;

11 “(3) to recognize that the Service provides life-
12 long learning opportunities and contributes to inter-
13 disciplinary learning in traditional and non-tradi-
14 tional educational settings; and

15 “(4) to provide opportunities for all people to
16 find relevance in the System and to strengthen pub-
17 lic understanding of our natural and cultural herit-
18 age.

19 **“§ 100802. Definitions**

20 “As used in this chapter:

21 “(1) INTERPRETATION.—The term ‘interpreta-
22 tion’—

23 “(A) means providing opportunities for
24 people to form intellectual and emotional con-
25 nections to gain awareness, appreciation, and

1 understanding of the resources of the System;
2 and

3 “(B) may refer to the professional career
4 field of Service employees, volunteers, and part-
5 ners who interpret the resources of the System.

6 “(2) EDUCATION.—The term ‘education’ means
7 enhancing public awareness, understanding, and ap-
8 preciation of the resources of the System through
9 learner-centered, place-based materials, programs,
10 and activities that achieve specific learning objectives
11 as identified in a curriculum.

12 “(3) RELATED AREAS.—The term ‘related
13 areas’ means—

14 “(A) national wild and scenic rivers and
15 national trails;

16 “(B) national heritage areas; and

17 “(C) affiliated areas administered in con-
18 nection with the System.

19 **“§ 100803. Interpretation and education authority**

20 “The Secretary shall ensure that management of Sys-
21 tem units and related areas is enhanced by the availability
22 and use of a broad program of the highest quality inter-
23 pretation and education.

1 **“§ 100804. Interpretation and education evaluation**
2 **and quality improvement**

3 “The Secretary may undertake a program of regular
4 evaluation of interpretation and education programs to en-
5 sure that they—

6 “(1) adjust to how people learn and engage
7 with the natural world and shared heritage as em-
8 bodied in the System;

9 “(2) reflect different cultural backgrounds,
10 ages, education, gender, abilities, ethnicity, and
11 needs;

12 “(3) demonstrate innovative approaches to
13 management and appropriately incorporate emerging
14 learning and communications technology; and

15 “(4) reflect current scientific and academic re-
16 search, content, methods, and audience analysis.

17 **“§ 100805. Improved use of partners and volunteers**
18 **in interpretation and education**

19 “The Secretary may—

20 “(1) coordinate with park partners and volun-
21 teers in the delivery of quality programs and services
22 to supplement those provided by the Service as part
23 of a park’s Long Range Interpretive Plan;

24 “(2) support interpretive partners by providing
25 opportunities to participate in interpretive training;
26 and

1 “(3) collaborate with other Federal and non-
2 Federal public or private agencies, organizations, or
3 institutions for the purposes of developing, pro-
4 moting, and making available educational opportuni-
5 ties related to resources of the System and pro-
6 grams.”.

7 **SEC. 302. PUBLIC LAND CORPS AMENDMENTS.**

8 The Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 (Public Law
9 103–82; 16 U.S.C. 1721) is amended—

10 (1) in section 203(10)(A), by striking “25” and
11 inserting “30”;

12 (2) in section 204(b), by striking “25” and in-
13 serting “30”; and

14 (3) in section 207(c)(2), by striking “120 days”
15 and inserting “2 years”.

16 **SEC. 303. VOLUNTEERS IN THE PARKS.**

17 Section 102301(d) of title 54, United States Code,
18 is amended by striking “not more than \$7,000,000” and
19 inserting “not more than 10,000,000”.

20 **TITLE IV—NATIONAL PARK**
21 **FOUNDATION AUTHORITIES**

22 **SEC. 401. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

23 Chapter 1011 of title 54, United States Code, is
24 amended—

25 (1) in section 101112—

1 (A) by amending subsection (a) to read as
2 follows:

3 “(a) MEMBERSHIP.—The National Park Foundation
4 shall consist of a Board having as members no fewer than
5 6 private citizens of the United States appointed by the
6 Secretary. The Secretary and the Director shall be mem-
7 bers of the Board, ex officio.”; and

8 (B) by amending subsection (c) to read as
9 follows:

10 “(c) CHAIRMAN.—The Chairman shall be elected by
11 the Board from its members for a two-year term.”; and

12 (2) in section 101113(a)—

13 (A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
14 paragraph (3); and

15 (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
16 following:

17 “(2) COORDINATION WITH SERVICE.—Activities
18 of the National Park Foundation under paragraph
19 (1) shall be undertaken after consultation with the
20 Director to ensure that those activities are con-
21 sistent with the programs and policies of the Serv-
22 ice.”.

1 **SEC. 402. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Chapter
3 1011 of title 54, United States Code, is further amended
4 by adding after section 101121 the following:

5 **“SEC. 101122. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be ap-
7 propriated to carry out this subchapter \$25,000,000 for
8 each of fiscal years 2017 through 2023.

9 “(b) REQUIREMENT OF ADVANCE PAYMENT.—The
10 amount made available for a fiscal year under subsection
11 (a) shall be provided to the National Park Foundation in
12 an advance payment of the entire amount on October 1
13 of the fiscal year, or as soon as practicable thereafter.

14 “(c) USE OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS.—Amounts
15 made available under subsection (a) shall be provided to
16 the National Park Foundation for use for matching, on
17 a 1-to-1 basis, contributions (whether in currency, serv-
18 ices, or property) made to the Foundation.

19 “(d) PROHIBITION USE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EX-
20 PENSES.—No Federal funds made available under sub-
21 section (a) shall be used by the National Park Foundation
22 for administrative expenses of the Foundation, including
23 for salaries, travel and transportation expenses, and other
24 overhead expenses.

25 “(e) PROHIBITION USE FOR INVESTMENT.—The Na-
26 tional Park Foundation shall not place Federal funds

1 made available under subsection (a) into any fund that
 2 will be invested or earn interest in any way.”.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
 4 tions for chapter 1011 of title 54, United States Code,
 5 is amended by inserting at the end the following:

“101122. Authorization of appropriations.”.

6 **TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS**

7 **SEC. 501. NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT.**

8 (a) ADDITIONAL MEMBER.—Section 304101(a) of
 9 title 54, United States Code, is amended—

10 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (8), (9), (10),
 11 and (11) as paragraphs (9), (10), (11), and (12), re-
 12 spectively; and

13 (2) by inserting after paragraph (7) the fol-
 14 lowing:

15 “(8) the General Chairman of the National As-
 16 sociation of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers;”.

17 (b) FULL-TIME CHAIRMAN.—Section 304101 of title
 18 54, United States Code, is further amended—

19 (1) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as
 20 subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and

21 (2) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-
 22 lowing:

23 “(e)(1) After January 1, 2016, the Chairman shall—

24 “(A) be appointed by the President;

25 “(B) serve full time; and

1 “(C) be compensated at the rate provided for
2 Level III of the Executive Schedule Pay Rates (5
3 U.S.C. 5314).

4 “(2) The Chairmen before the first appointment of
5 a Chairman in accordance with paragraph (1) of this sub-
6 section shall receive \$100 per diem when engaged in the
7 performance of the duties of the Council, and shall receive
8 reimbursement for necessary traveling and subsistence ex-
9 penses incurred by them in the performance of the duties
10 of the Council.”; and

11 (3) in subsection (f) (as redesignated), by strik-
12 ing “may act in place” and inserting “shall perform
13 the functions”.

14 (c) CONFORMING CHANGES.—

15 (1) Section 304101 of title 54, United States
16 Code, is further amended—

17 (A) in subsection (b), by striking “, (7)
18 and (8)” and inserting “and (7) through (9)”;

19 (B) in subsection (c)—

20 (i) by striking “under paragraphs (1)
21 and (9) to (11)” and inserting “under
22 paragraphs (10) through (12)”;

23 (ii) by striking “An appointed member
24 may not serve more than 2 terms” and in-
25 serting “An appointed member, other than

1 the Chairman of the Council, may not
2 serve more than 2 terms”;

3 (C) in subsection (f) (as redesignated), by
4 striking “paragraph (5), (6), (9), or (10)” and
5 inserting “paragraph (5), (6), (10), or (11).”;
6 and

7 (D) in subsection (g) (as redesignated), by
8 striking “Twelve members” and inserting
9 “Thirteen members”.

10 (2) Section 304104 of title 54, United States
11 Code, is amended by inserting after the first sen-
12 tence the following: “The Chairman of the Council
13 shall be compensated as provided in subsection (e)
14 of section 304101.”.

15 (3) Section 304105(a) of title 54, United States
16 Code, is amended—

17 (A) by striking “report directly to the
18 Council” and inserting “report directly to the
19 Chairman”; and

20 (B) by striking “duties as the Council may
21 prescribe” and inserting “duties as the Chair-
22 man may prescribe”.

23 (4) Section 5314 of title 5, United States Code,
24 is amended by adding at the end the following new

1 item: “Chairman of the Advisory Council on Historic
2 Preservation.”.

3 (d) CLARIFICATION.—Section 7302(d) of the Omni-
4 bus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (Public Law
5 111–11; 16 U.S.C. 469n(d)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “Council” in
7 each place it appears and inserting “Chairman of
8 the Council”; and

9 (2) in paragraph (4), by striking “Council” and
10 inserting “Chairman of the Council”.

11 **SEC. 502. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE CONCESSION MANAGE-**
12 **MENT ADVISORY BOARD.**

13 Section 101919(e) of title 54, United States Code,
14 is amended by striking “2009” and inserting “2019”.

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