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# S. 2257

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

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. CANTWELL (by request) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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

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

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

Sec. 1. Short title.

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TITLE IX—INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Sec. 901. Intellectual property.

TITLE X—NATIONAL PARK FOUNDATION AUTHORITIES

Sec. 1001. Board of Directors.

Sec. 1002. Authorization of appropriations.

1                   **TITLE I—CENTENNIAL**  
2                   **DECLARATION**

3 **SEC. 101. CENTENNIAL DECLARATION.**

4           Section 100301 of title 54, United States Code, is  
5 amended—

6                   (1) by striking “There is” and inserting “(a)  
7           There is”, and

8                   (2) by adding the following new subsection at  
9           the end:

10           “(b) CENTENNIAL DECLARATION.—On the centen-  
11 nial of the establishment of the Service in 1916, Congress  
12 declares that the Service has responsibility not only for  
13 the administration of the System, but also for programs  
14 that provide financial and technical assistance to States,  
15 communities, and individuals to protect natural, cultural,  
16 historical, and recreational sites, enhancing the preserva-  
17 tion of the nation’s story, increasing access to the out-  
18 doors, and contributing to the economic and environ-  
19 mental well-being of the United States. The Congress reaff-  
20 firms and directs that the Secretary utilize these pro-  
21 grams, and any related programs authorized by Congress,  
22 to further the conservation and enjoyment of the natural  
23 and cultural heritage of the nation for the benefit and in-  
24 spiration of the public.”.

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

3           **SEC. 201. PURPOSE.**

4           It is the purpose of this title to establish a fund in  
5 the Treasury that will be used to finance signature  
6 projects and programs to enhance the National Park Sys-  
7 tem as it approaches its centennial in 2016 and to prepare  
8 the parks for another century of conservation, preserva-  
9 tion, and enjoyment.

10          **SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.**

11          In this title:

12                 (1) **CHALLENGE FUND.**—The term “Challenge  
13                 Fund” means the National Park Centennial Chal-  
14                 lenge Fund.

15                 (2) **DIRECTOR.**—The term “Director” means  
16                 the Director of the National Park Service.

17                 (3) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means  
18                 the Secretary of the Interior.

19                 (4) **SIGNATURE PROJECT OR PROGRAM.**—The  
20                 term “signature project or program” means any  
21                 project or program identified by the Secretary as  
22                 one that will help prepare the national parks for an-  
23                 other century of conservation, preservation, and en-  
24                 joyment.

1           (5) QUALIFIED DONATION.—The term “quali-  
2           fied donation” means either a cash donation, or the  
3           binding pledge of a cash donation that is guaranteed  
4           by an irrevocable letter of credit, to the National  
5           Park Service that the Director certifies is to be used  
6           for a signature project or program.

7 **SEC. 203. NATIONAL PARK CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE FUND.**

8           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established in  
9           the Treasury a fund to be known as the National Park  
10          Centennial Challenge Fund. The Challenge Fund shall  
11          consist of:

12           (1) Qualified donations that are transferred  
13           from the National Park Service donation account in  
14           accordance with section 205(a) of this title.

15           (2) Amounts appropriated from the general  
16           fund of the Treasury in accordance with section  
17           205(b) of this title.

18          (b) AVAILABILITY.—All amounts transferred or ap-  
19          propriated to the Challenge Fund shall be available to the  
20          Secretary for signature projects and programs under this  
21          title without further appropriation until expended.

22 **SEC. 204. SIGNATURE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS.**

23          (a) LIST.—The Secretary shall develop a list of signa-  
24          ture projects and programs eligible for funding from the  
25          Challenge Fund. The list shall be submitted to the Com-

1 mittees on Appropriations and Energy and Natural Re-  
2 sources in the United States Senate, and to the Commit-  
3 tees on Appropriations and Natural Resources in the  
4 House of Representatives.

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

9 **SEC. 205. DONATIONS AND MATCHING FEDERAL FUNDS.**

10 (a) QUALIFIED DONATIONS.—At any time after Oc-  
11 tober 1, 2015, the Secretary may transfer to the Challenge  
12 Fund any qualified donation received by the National  
13 Park Service.

14 (b) MATCHING AMOUNT.—There is appropriated to  
15 the Challenge Fund in each fiscal year beginning on Octo-  
16 ber 1, 2015, and ending on September 30, 2018, an  
17 amount equal to the qualified donations received in the  
18 same fiscal year, not to exceed \$100 million in any one  
19 year.

20 (c) SOLICITATION.—Nothing in this title shall be con-  
21 strued as expanding any authority that exists on the date  
22 of its enactment with respect to the ability of the National  
23 Park Service and its employees to receive or solicit dona-  
24 tions.

1 **SEC. 206. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

2 The Secretary shall provide with the submission of  
3 the President's budget a report on the status of the signa-  
4 ture projects and programs and their funding.

5 **TITLE III—SECOND CENTURY**  
6 **INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT**

7 **SEC. 301. SECOND CENTURY INFRASTRUCTURE INVEST-**  
8 **MENT.**

9 In addition to annual appropriations, there is hereby  
10 appropriated to the National Park Service Construction  
11 Account in each fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2015,  
12 and ending on September 30, 2018, an amount equal to  
13 \$300 million, to remain available until expended, to cor-  
14 rect deficiencies in National Park Service infrastructure  
15 and facilities.

16 **TITLE IV—PUBLIC LANDS**  
17 **CENTENNIAL PROGRAM**

18 **SEC. 401. PUBLIC LANDS CENTENNIAL FUND.**

19 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
20 Treasury a fund to be known as the Public Lands Centen-  
21 nial Fund.

22 (b) FUNDING.—In each fiscal year beginning on Oc-  
23 tober 1, 2015, and ending on September 30, 2018, there  
24 is hereby appropriated to the Public Lands Centennial  
25 Fund an amount equal to \$100 million, to remain avail-  
26 able until expended.

1 **SEC. 402. PUBLIC LANDS CENTENNIAL PROGRAM.**

2 (a) PROGRAM.—The Secretary of the Interior and the  
3 Secretary of Agriculture shall jointly establish a program  
4 under which funds from the Public Lands Centennial  
5 Fund are made available to Federal land or water man-  
6 agement agencies, including the Bureau of Land Manage-  
7 ment, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Fish and Wildlife  
8 Service, the Forest Service, and the National Park Serv-  
9 ice, to support projects that—

- 10 (1) enhance visitor services and outdoor rec-  
11 reational opportunities;
- 12 (2) restore lands and waters;
- 13 (3) repair facilities or trails; or
- 14 (4) increase energy and water efficiency.

15 (b) COMPETITIVE PROCESS.—The program estab-  
16 lished in subsection (a) shall provide for a competitive  
17 process for the selection of eligible projects.

18 (c) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In selecting projects to  
19 receive funds under the program established in subsection  
20 (a), the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Ag-  
21 riculture shall consider the extent to which a proposed  
22 project—

- 23 (1) ranks highly within existing agency project  
24 prioritization processes;
- 25 (2) delivers measurable and observable environ-  
26 mental or community benefits;



1 (3) includes a role for youth and veterans;

2 (4) follows best management practices and does  
3 not create significant new burdens for maintenance  
4 or ongoing reinvestment by the proposing land man-  
5 agement agency; and

6 (5) involves collaboration with community part-  
7 ners.

8 **SEC. 403. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

9 The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of  
10 Agriculture shall provide with the submission of the Presi-  
11 dent’s budget a report of the projects selected for funding  
12 under section 402 and the status of their funding.

13 **TITLE V—NATIONAL PARK**  
14 **FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT**

15 **SEC. 501. SHORT TITLE.**

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

18 **SEC. 502. SECOND CENTURY ENDOWMENT FOR THE NA-**  
19 **TIONAL PARK SERVICE.**

20 Chapter 1011 of title 54, United States Code, is  
21 amended by adding at the end the following:

22 **“§ 101121. Second Century Endowment for the Na-**  
23 **tional Park Service**

24 “(a) SECOND CENTURY ENDOWMENT.—To further  
25 the mission of the Service, the National Park Foundation

1 shall establish a special account to be known as the Second  
2 Century Endowment for the National Park Service (En-  
3 dowment).

4 “(1) FUNDS FOR THE ENDOWMENT.—

5 “(A) The Endowment shall consist of any  
6 gifts, devises, or bequests that are provided to  
7 the National Park Foundation for such pur-  
8 pose.

9 “(B) The National Park Foundation shall  
10 deposit any funds received for the Endowment  
11 in a federally insured interest-bearing account  
12 or may invest funds in appropriate security ob-  
13 ligations, as directed by the Board of Directors.

14 “(C) Any accrued interest or dividends  
15 earned on funds received for the Endowment  
16 shall be added to the principal and form a part  
17 of the Endowment.

18 “(2) USE OF FUNDS.—

19 “(A) The National Park Foundation shall  
20 use funds deposited in the Endowment for  
21 projects and activities approved by the Sec-  
22 retary that further the mission and purposes of  
23 the Service.

24 “(B) Each fiscal year, the National Park  
25 Foundation may not expend from the Endow-

1           ment more than 50 per centum of the funds re-  
 2           ceived or added to the Endowment in that fiscal  
 3           year in accordance with subparagraph (A).

4           “(C) No funds received for the Endowment  
 5           shall be used by the National Park Foundation  
 6           for administrative expenses of the Foundation,  
 7           including for salaries, travel and transportation  
 8           expenses, and other overhead expenses.

9           “(b) REPORT.—Beginning two years after the enact-  
 10          ment of this title, the National Park Foundation shall in-  
 11          clude, with its annual report, the status of the Endowment  
 12          established by subsection (a), including—

13                 “(1) a statement of the amounts deposited in  
 14                 the Endowment and the balance remaining in the  
 15                 Endowment at the end of the fiscal year; and

16                 “(2) a description of the sums and purposes of  
 17                 the expenditures made from the Endowment for the  
 18                 fiscal year.”.

19         **TITLE VI—NATIONAL PARK**  
 20                 **SERVICE SECOND CENTURY**  
 21                 **FUND**

22         **SEC. 601. SECOND CENTURY FUND.**

23           (a) IN GENERAL.—Title 54, United States Code, is  
 24          amended by inserting the following after chapter 1033:

1           **“CHAPTER 1035—NATIONAL PARK**  
 2           **SERVICE SECOND CENTURY FUND**

“Sec.

“103501. Establishment.

“103502. Lodging and camping fees.

3   **“§ 103501. Establishment**

4           “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the  
 5 Treasury an account to be known as the National Park  
 6 Service Second Century Fund.

7           “(b) DEPOSITS.—All funds collected under section  
 8 103502 and section 807(c)(3) of the Federal Lands Recre-  
 9 ation Enhancement Act shall be deposited into the Second  
 10 Century Fund, and shall remain available until expended.

11          “(c) USE OF FUNDS.—

12           “(1) Funds deposited into the National Park  
 13 Service Second Century Fund shall be used for  
 14 projects or programs approved by the Secretary to  
 15 further the mission of the Service and to enhance  
 16 the visitor experience in System units.

17           “(2) Funds may only be used if matched, on a  
 18 1-to-1 basis, by non-Federal donations (including  
 19 funds, goods or services) to the Service for specified  
 20 projects or programs.

21   **“§ 103502. Lodging and camping fees**

22           “(a) FEES.—Within a System unit, the Secretary, ei-  
 23 ther directly or through a concessions contract, lease, or

1 similar instrument, may impose a fee in addition to the  
 2 daily cost of lodging or camping—

3 “(1) of not more than 5 per centum of the fee  
 4 charged on each person for each night of lodging in  
 5 facilities; and

6 “(2) of not more than 5 per centum of the fee  
 7 charged on each person for each night of camping  
 8 in designated campgrounds.

9 “(b) LIMITATIONS.—No fees may be charged under  
 10 this section within a System unit for—

11 “(1) visitors engaged in backcountry camping  
 12 at undesignated sites;

13 “(2) employees of the System, including sea-  
 14 sonal employees or employees of concessioners, who  
 15 live in housing provided in the parks due to their  
 16 employment, and house guests of such employees;

17 “(3) persons engaged in residential educational  
 18 and interpretive programs who are lodged in park  
 19 facilities while participating in these programs; and

20 “(4) lodging or camping on private property  
 21 within a System unit.”.

22 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Title 54, United  
 23 States Code, is further amended in the matter before sub-  
 24 title I by inserting the following after chapter 1033:

**“1035. National Park Service Second Century Fund .....103501”.**

1 **SEC. 602. COMPARABLE PASS COST FOR SENIORS.**

2 The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (16  
3 U.S.C. 6801, Public Law 108–447, division J, title VIII)  
4 is amended—

5 (1) in section 805(b)(1), by striking “of  
6 \$10.00” and inserting “equal to the price of the Na-  
7 tional Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass”;  
8 and

9 (2) in section 807(c)—

10 (A) by renumbering paragraph (3) as  
11 paragraph (4), and

12 (B) by inserting a new paragraph (3) as  
13 follows:

14 “(3) DISTRIBUTION OF AGE DISCOUNT FEES  
15 FOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE.—Any amounts above  
16 \$10.00 that are collected by the National Park Serv-  
17 ice for the purchase of the lifetime pass by citizens  
18 62 years of age or older shall be deposited in the  
19 National Park Service Second Century Fund estab-  
20 lished in chapter 1035 of title 54, United States  
21 Code.”.

1       **TITLE VII—NATIONAL PARK**  
 2       **NEXT GENERATION STEWARDS**

3       **SEC. 701. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INTERPRETATION AND**  
 4               **EDUCATION.**

5           (a) IN GENERAL.—Title 54, United States Code, is  
 6 amended by inserting the following after chapter 1007:

7           **“CHAPTER 1008—EDUCATION AND**  
 8               **INTERPRETATION**

“Sec.

“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.

9       **“§ 100801. Purposes**

10           “The purposes of this chapter are—

11               “(1) to more effectively achieve the mission of  
 12 the Service by providing clear authority and direc-  
 13 tion for interpretation and education programs that  
 14 are carried out by the Service under separate au-  
 15 thorities;

16               “(2) to ensure that the public encounters a va-  
 17 riety of interpretive and educational opportunities  
 18 and services in their visits to our System units;

19               “(3) to recognize the Service provides lifelong  
 20 learning opportunities and contributes to inter-  
 21 disciplinary learning in traditional and nontradi-  
 22 tional educational settings; and

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

5   **“§ 100802. Definitions**

6           “As used in this chapter:

7           “(1) INTERPRETATION.—The term ‘interpreta-  
8           tion’ means providing opportunities for people to  
9           form intellectual and emotional connections to gain  
10          awareness, appreciation, and understanding of the  
11          resources of the System. ‘Interpretation’ may also  
12          refer to the professional career field of Service em-  
13          ployees, volunteers, and partners who interpret the  
14          resources of the System.

15          “(2) EDUCATION.—The term ‘education’ means  
16          enhancing public awareness, understanding, and ap-  
17          preciation of the resources of the System through  
18          learner-centered, place-based materials, programs,  
19          and activities that achieve specific learning objectives  
20          as identified in a curriculum.

21          “(3) RELATED AREAS.—The term ‘related  
22          areas’ means:

23                  “(A) national wild and scenic rivers and  
24                  national trails;

25                  “(B) national heritage areas; and



1                   “(C) affiliated areas administered in con-  
2                   nection with the System.

3 **“§ 100803. Interpretation and education authority**

4                   “The Secretary shall ensure that management of Sys-  
5                   tem units and related areas is enhanced by the availability  
6                   and utilization of a broad program of the highest quality  
7                   interpretation and education.

8 **“§ 100804. Interpretation and education evaluation**  
9                   **and quality improvement**

10                  “The Secretary may undertake a program of regular  
11                  evaluation of interpretation and education programs to en-  
12                  sure that they—

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

16                         “(2) reflect different cultural backgrounds,  
17                         ages, education, gender, abilities, ethnicity, and  
18                         needs;

19                         “(3) demonstrate innovative approaches to  
20                         management and appropriately incorporate emerging  
21                         learning and communications technology; and

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

1 **“§ 100805. Improved utilization of partners and vol-**  
2 **unteers in interpretation and education**

3 “The Secretary may—

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

8 “(2) support interpretive partners by providing  
9 opportunities to participate in interpretive training;  
10 and

11 “(3) collaborate with other Federal and non-  
12 Federal public or private agencies, organizations, or  
13 institutions for the purposes of developing, pro-  
14 moting, and making available educational opportuni-  
15 ties related to resources of the System and pro-  
16 grams.”.

17 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Title 54, United  
18 States Code, is further amended in the matter before sub-  
19 title I by inserting the following between chapter 1007 and  
20 chapter 1009:

**“1008. Education and interpretation .....100801”.**

21 **SEC. 702. PUBLIC LAND CORPS AMENDMENTS.**

22 The Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 (Public Law  
23 103–82; 16 U.S.C. 1721) is amended—

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

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

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

5 **SEC. 703. VOLUNTEERS IN THE PARKS.**

6 Section 102301(d) of title 54, United States Code,  
 7 is amended by striking “not more than \$3,500,000” and  
 8 inserting “such sums as may be necessary”.

9 **TITLE VIII—NATIONAL PARK**  
 10 **SERVICE VISITOR SERVICES**  
 11 **MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

12 **SEC. 801. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE VISITOR SERVICES**  
 13 **MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title 54, United States Code, is  
 15 amended by inserting the following after chapter 1019:

16 **“CHAPTER 1020—VISITOR SERVICES**  
 17 **MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

“Sec.

“102001. Establishment of the Visitor Services Management Authority.

“102002. Operating Board.

“102003. Duties of the Director.

“102004. Contract authority.

“102005. Financial management.

“102006. Regulations.

“102007. Audits of records.

“102008. Annual report.

18 **“§ 102001. Establishment of the Visitor Services Man-**  
 19 **agement Authority**

20 “The Secretary may establish a Visitor Services Man-  
 21 agement Authority (hereinafter, the ‘VSMA’) that may ad-

1 minister commercial visitor services programs and activi-  
2 ties of the Service, as may be designated by the Secretary,  
3 including and without limitation, the award and adminis-  
4 tration of commercial visitor facilities and services man-  
5 agement contracts pursuant to section 804.

6 **“§ 102002. Operating Board**

7 “(a) APPOINTMENT OF OPERATING BOARD.—The  
8 VSMA shall have an Operating Board of 7 members ap-  
9 pointed by the Secretary as follows:

10 “(1) The Director of the National Park Service.

11 “(2) The Chief Financial Officer of the Na-  
12 tional Park Service.

13 “(3) The Associate Director for Business Serv-  
14 ices of the National Park Service.

15 “(4) Four other National Park Service Federal  
16 employees with appropriate training and experience  
17 to provide expert guidance to the VSMA.

18 “(b) TERMS AND VACANCIES.—Each board member  
19 appointed under subsection (a)(4) shall serve for a term  
20 not to exceed four years. A board member may continue  
21 to serve upon the expiration of the term until a successor  
22 is appointed.

23 “(c) DUTIES OF THE OPERATING BOARD.—The Op-  
24 erating Board shall—

25 “(1) appoint a VSMA Director;

1           “(2) formulate policies for the programs and  
2 activities of the VSMA;

3           “(3) exercise general supervision over the ad-  
4 ministration of the VSMA;

5           “(4) establish bylaws, policies, and procedures  
6 as may be necessary for the fulfillment of the duties  
7 described in this title;

8           “(5) review, approve, or disapprove all proposed  
9 VSMA contractual and investment programs and ac-  
10 tions; and

11           “(6) take all actions that are necessary and ap-  
12 propriate to carry out the duties described in this  
13 title.

14 **“§ 102003. Duties of the Director**

15           “The Director of the VSMA shall be responsible, sub-  
16 ject to the supervision and direction of the Operating  
17 Board, for carrying out the programs and activities of the  
18 VSMA and for appointing such other VSMA officers and  
19 employees as he deems necessary.

20 **“§ 102004. Contract authority**

21           “(a) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The VSMA may award  
22 and administer management contracts (and related profes-  
23 sional services contracts) for the operation of commercial  
24 visitor facilities and visitor services programs in areas of  
25 the System. The commercial visitor facilities and visitor

1 services programs management contracts that may be  
2 awarded shall be limited to those that are necessary and  
3 appropriate for public use and enjoyment of the unit of  
4 the System in which they are located and that are con-  
5 sistent, to the highest degree possible, with the preserva-  
6 tion and conservation of the resources and values of the  
7 unit.

8 “(b) ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.—The VSMA may  
9 award and administer management contracts and related  
10 professional services contracts authorized under this title  
11 notwithstanding any other provision of law.

12 **“§ 102005. Financial management**

13 “(a) VSMA REVOLVING FUND.—There is established  
14 a revolving fund that shall be available without fiscal year  
15 limitation for expenses necessary for the management, im-  
16 provement, enhancement, operation, construction, mainte-  
17 nance of commercial visitor services and facilities and pay-  
18 ment of possessory interest and leasehold surrender inter-  
19 est.

20 “(b) COLLECTION OF FUNDS.—

21 “(1) Funds collected by the VSMA pursuant to  
22 the contracts awarded under this title shall be cred-  
23 ited to the revolving fund.

24 “(2) The Secretary is authorized to transfer to  
25 the revolving fund, without reimbursement, any ad-

1       ditional funds or revenue deemed appropriate in con-  
2       nection with the functions to be carried out under  
3       this title.

4       “(c) USE OF FUNDS.—The revolving fund shall be  
5       available for expenditure by the VSMA in furtherance of  
6       the purposes of this title.

7       “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
8       are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this title  
9       such sums as may be necessary.

10    **“§ 102006. Regulations**

11       “As soon as practicable after the effective date of this  
12       title, the VSMA shall promulgate regulations appropriate  
13       for its implementation.

14    **“§ 102007. Audits of records**

15       “The financial records of the VSMA shall be made  
16       available to the Comptroller General and the Inspector  
17       General of the Department of the Interior, as requested,  
18       for purposes of conducting annual audits and investiga-  
19       tions as necessary.

20    **“§ 102008. Annual report**

21       “The President’s annual budget submission shall in-  
22       clude a description of the revenues and expenditures asso-  
23       ciated with the VSMA.”.

24       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Title 54, United  
25       States Code, is further amended in the matter before sub-

1 title I by inserting the following between chapter 1019 and  
2 chapter 1021:

“1020. **Visitor services management authority** .....102001”.

3           **TITLE IX—INTELLECTUAL**  
4                           **PROPERTY**

5 **SEC. 901. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY.**

6           Chapter 1025 of title 54, United States Code, is  
7 amended by adding the following new section:

8 **“§ 102505. Reproductions of museum objects**

9           “(a) **AGREEMENTS FOR REPRODUCTIONS.**—With re-  
10 spect to a museum object in which the object itself and  
11 the object’s intellectual property rights, if any, are under  
12 the control of the Secretary, the Secretary may enter into  
13 agreements for the creation of reproductions of the object  
14 with other Federal agencies, units of State or local govern-  
15 ments, for-profit corporations, public and private founda-  
16 tions, nonprofit organizations, educational institutions,  
17 and individuals. The agreements may include provisions  
18 for the collection of fees or royalties.

19           “(b) **TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**—Any agreement  
20 under subsection (a) shall provide for the protection of the  
21 public interest in the museum object and any other terms  
22 and conditions that the Secretary deems appropriate.

23           “(c) **RETENTION OF FUNDS.**—Any funds collected  
24 pursuant to this section shall be retained, until expended  
25 and without further appropriation, for use by the System



1 unit, office, or repository where the museum object is  
2 held.”.

3           **TITLE X—NATIONAL PARK**  
4           **FOUNDATION AUTHORITIES**

5   **SEC. 1001. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

6           Chapter 1011 of title 54, United States Code, is  
7 amended—

8                   (1) in section 101112—

9                           (A) by amending subsection (a) to read as  
10                   follows:

11           “(a) MEMBERSHIP.—The National Park Foundation  
12 shall consist of a Board having as members no fewer than  
13 6 private citizens of the United States appointed by the  
14 Secretary. The Secretary and the Director shall be mem-  
15 bers of the Board, ex officio.”; and

16                   (B) by amending subsection (c) to read as  
17                   follows:

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

20                   (2) in section 101113(a), by renumbering para-  
21                   graph (2) as paragraph (3) and by inserting the fol-  
22                   lowing new paragraph:

23                   “(2) COORDINATION WITH SERVICE.—Activities  
24                   of the National Park Foundation under paragraph  
25                   (1) shall be undertaken after consultation with the

1 Director to assure they are consistent with the pro-  
2 grams and policies of the Service.”.

3 **SEC. 1002. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4 Chapter 1011 of title 54, United States Code, is fur-  
5 ther amended by adding after section 101121 the fol-  
6 lowing new section:

7 **“§ 101122. Authorization of appropriations**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be ap-  
9 propriated to carry out this subchapter \$25 million for  
10 each of fiscal years 2016 through 2026.

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

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

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

1 for salaries, travel and transportation expenses, and other  
2 overhead expenses.

3 “(e) PROHIBITION USE FOR INVESTMENT.—No Fed-  
4 eral funds made available under section (a) shall be put  
5 in a fund by the National Park Foundation that will be  
6 invested or earn interest in any way.”

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