

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1328

To reauthorize the Great Ape Conservation Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2013

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. PIERLUISI, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, and Mr. GRIMM) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To reauthorize the Great Ape Conservation Act, 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 This Act may be cited as the “Great Ape Conserva-
5 tion Reauthorization Amendments Act of 2013”.

6 SEC. 2. AMENDMENT AND REAUTHORIZATION OF GREAT

7 APE CONSERVATION ACT.

8 The Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000 is amended
9 as follows:

1 (1) MULTIYEAR GRANTS.—In section 4 (16
2 U.S.C. 6303), by adding at the end the following
3 new subsections:

4 “(j) MULTIYEAR GRANTS.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award
6 a multiyear grant under this section to a person who
7 is otherwise eligible for a grant under this section,
8 to carry out a project that the person demonstrates
9 is an effective, long-term conservation strategy for
10 great apes and their habitats.

11 “(2) ANNUAL GRANTS NOT AFFECTED.—This
12 subsection shall not be construed as precluding the
13 Secretary from awarding grants on an annual
14 basis.”.

15 (2) PANEL OF EXPERTS.—In section 4(i) (16
16 U.S.C. 6303(i))—

17 (A) in paragraph (1), by—

18 (i) striking “Every 2 years” and in-
19 serting “Within one year after the date of
20 the enactment of the Great Ape Conserva-
21 tion Reauthorization Amendments Act of
22 2013, and every 5 years thereafter”;

23 (ii) striking “may convene” and in-
24 serting “shall convene”;

(iii) inserting “and priorities” after “needs”; and

(iv) adding at the end the following new sentence: “The panel shall, to the extent practicable, include representatives from foreign range states with expertise in great ape conservation.”; and

(B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (4), and inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraphs:

“(2) In identifying conservation needs and priorities under paragraph (1), the panel shall consider relevant great ape conservation plans or strategies including scientific research and findings related to—

“(A) the conservation needs and priorities
of great apes;

18 “(B) regional or species-specific action
19 plans or strategies:

“(C) applicable strategies developed or initiated by the Secretary; and

22 “(D) any other applicable conservation
23 plan or strategy.

1 “(3) The Secretary, subject to the availability
2 of appropriations, may pay expenses of convening
3 and facilitating meetings of the panel.”.

4 (3) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES LIMITATION.—
5 In section 5(b)(2) (16 U.S.C. 6304(b)(2)), by strik-
6 ing “\$100,000” and inserting “\$150,000”.

7 (4) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In
8 section 6 (16 U.S.C. 6305), by striking “2006
9 through 2010” and inserting “2014 through 2018”.

○