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To make improvements in the enactment of title 54, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

— — —, 2019

— — — introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United*

2 *States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Table of contents.

- Sec. 2. Purpose.
 Sec. 3. Title 15, United States Code.
 Sec. 4. Title 16, United States Code.
 Sec. 5. Title 43, United States Code.
 Sec. 6. Amendments to Public Law 113–287 and Title 54, United States Code.
 Sec. 7. Repeals.

1 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

2 The purpose of this Act is to make improvements in the enactment of
 3 title 54, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the
 4 Code.

5 **SEC. 3. TITLE 15, UNITED STATES CODE.**

6 Section 107(a)(3)(D) of the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act (15 U.S.C.
 7 720e(a)(3)(D)) is amended by striking “the National Historic Preservation
 8 Act (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.);” and inserting “division A of subtitle III of
 9 title 54, United States Code;”.

10 **SEC. 4. TITLE 16, UNITED STATES CODE.**

11 Section 815(4) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act
 12 (16 U.S.C. 3125(4)) is amended by striking “section 100101(b)(1)” and in-
 13 serting “section 100101(a)”.

14 **SEC. 5. TITLE 43, UNITED STATES CODE.**

15 Section 4(b) of the Abandoned Shipwreck Act of 1987 (43 U.S.C.
 16 2103(b)) is amended by striking “title I of the National Historic Preserva-
 17 tion Act,” and inserting “chapter 3029 of title 54, United States Code;”.

18 **SEC. 6. AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC LAW 113–287 AND TITLE 54, UNITED
 19 STATES CODE.**

20 (a) SECTION 7 OF PUBLIC LAW 113–287.—Effective December 19, 2014,
 21 the Schedule of Laws Repealed in section 7 of Public Law 113–287 (128
 22 Stat. 3273) is amended as follows:

23 (1) NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT.—The item relating to
 24 section 401 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Public Law 89–
 25 665, 16 U.S.C. 470x) (128 Stat. 3276) is stricken and that section is
 26 revived to read as if that item had not been enacted.

27 (2) PUBLIC LAW 91–383.—The item relating to section 3 of Public
 28 Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–2) (128 Stat. 3277) is amended to read
 29 as follows and subsection (g) (words after 1st sentence) is revived to
 30 read as if that item had been enacted as follows:

“Schedule of Laws Repealed

“Act	Section	United States Code Former Classification
	“3 (less (g) (words after 1st sentence)).	1a–2 (less(g) (words after 1st sentence)).”.

31 (3) URBAN PARK AND RECREATION RECOVERY ACT.—The items re-
 32 lating to title X, §§ 1004 through 1015 of the Urban Park and Recre-

1 ation Recovery Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–625, 92 Stat. 3538) (128
2 Stat. 3277) are amended to read as follows:

“Schedule of Laws Repealed

“Act	Section	United States Code Former Classification
“Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95–625)	title X, § 1004	16 U.S.C. 2503.
	“title X, § 1005	16 U.S.C. 2504.
	“title X, § 1006	16 U.S.C. 2505.
	“title X, § 1007	16 U.S.C. 2506.
	“title X, § 1008	16 U.S.C. 2507.
	“title X, § 1009	16 U.S.C. 2508.
	“title X, § 1010	16 U.S.C. 2509.
	“title X, § 1011	16 U.S.C. 2510.
	“title X, § 1012	16 U.S.C. 2511.
	“title X, § 1013	16 U.S.C. 2512.
	“title X, § 1014	16 U.S.C. 2513.
	“title X, § 1015	16 U.S.C. 2514.”.

3 (b) SECTION 100507.—The heading for subsection (h)(3) of section
4 100507 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking “(b), (c),
5 and (g)” and inserting “(B), (C), AND (G)”.

6 (c) SECTION 100903.—The heading for subsection (a) of section 100903
7 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking “GENERAL” and in-
8 serting “GENERAL.”.

9 (d) CHAPTER 1013.—Chapter 1013 of title 54, United States Code, is
10 amended—

11 (1) by amending section 101331 to read as follows:

12 **“§ 101331. Purposes; definitions**

13 “(a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this subchapter are—

14 “ (1) to develop where necessary an adequate supply of quality hous-
15 ing units for field employees of the Service in a reasonable timeframe;

16 “ (2) to expand the alternatives available for construction and repair
17 of essential Government housing;

18 “ (3) to rely on the private sector to finance or supply housing in ear-
19 ly-out out this subchapter, to the maximum extent possible, to reduce
20 the need for Federal appropriations;

21 “ (4) to ensure that adequate funds are available to provide for long-
22 term maintenance needs of field employee housing; and

23 “ (5) to eliminate unnecessary Government housing and locate such
24 housing as is required in a manner such that primary resource values
25 are not impaired.

26 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this subchapter:

27 “(1) FIELD EMPLOYEE.—The term ‘field employee’ means—

28 “ (A) an employee of the Service who is exclusively assigned by
29 the Service to perform duties at a field unit, and the members of
30 the employee’s family; and

1 “(B) any other individual who is authorized to occupy Federal
2 Government quarters under section 5911 of title 5, and for whom
3 there is no feasible alternative to the provision of Federal Govern-
4 ment housing, and the members of the individual’s family.

5 “(2) PRIMARY RESOURCE VALUES.—The term ‘primary resource val-
6 ues’ means resources that are specifically mentioned in the enabling
7 legislation for that field unit or other resource value recognized under
8 Federal statute.

9 “(3) QUARTERS.—The term ‘quarters’ means quarters owned or
10 leased by the Federal Government.

11 “(4) SEASONAL QUARTERS.—The term ‘seasonal quarters’ means
12 quarters typically occupied by field employees who are hired on assign-
13 ments of 6 months or less.”; and

14 (2) in the chapter table of contents, by amending the item relating
15 to section 101331 to read as follows:

“101331. Purposes; definitions.”.

16 (e) CHAPTER 1015.—Chapter 1015 of title 54, United States Code, is
17 amended—

18 (1) by redesignating sections 101521 through 101524 as sections
19 101522 through 101525;

20 (2) by inserting before section 101522, as redesignated by paragraph
21 (1), the following:

22 **“§ 101521. Purpose**

23 “The purpose of this subchapter is to make the System more accessible
24 in a manner consistent with the preservation of parks and the conservation
25 of energy by encouraging the use of transportation modes other than per-
26 sonal motor vehicles for access to and in System units with minimum dis-
27 ruption to nearby communities through authorization of a pilot transpor-
28 tation program.”;

29 (3) in section 101522(b)(2)(B), as redesignated by paragraph (1), by
30 striking “ACQUISTION” and inserting “ACQUISITION”;

31 (4) in section 101524(a), as redesignated by paragraph (1), by strik-
32 ing “101521” and inserting “101522”; and

33 (5) in the chapter table of contents—

34 (A) by redesignating the items relating to sections 101521
35 through 101524 as items relating to sections 101522 through
36 101525; and

37 (B) by inserting before the item relating to section 101522, as
38 redesignated by subparagraph (A), the following:

“101521. Purpose.”.

1 (f) SECTION 101701.—Section 101701 of title 54, United States Code,
2 is amended by adding at the end the following:

3 “(d) AVAILABLE FUNDS.—

4 “(1) AMOUNTS.—Out of any amounts in the Treasury not otherwise
5 appropriated, \$20,000,000 shall be made available to the Secretary for
6 fiscal year 2018, and \$30,000,000 shall be made available to the Sec-
7 retary for fiscal year 2019, without further appropriation and to re-
8 main available until expended, to pay the Federal funding share of
9 challenge cost-share agreements for deferred maintenance projects and
10 to correct deficiencies in Service infrastructure.

11 “(2) AMOUNT FROM NON-FEDERAL SOURCES.—Not less than 50 per-
12 cent of the total cost of project for funds made available under para-
13 graph (1) to pay the Federal funding share shall be derived from non-
14 Federal sources, including in-kind contribution of goods and services
15 fairly valued.”.

16 (g) SECTION 101913.—The heading for paragraph (4)(C) of section
17 101913 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking “MIMUMUM”
18 and inserting “MINIMUM”.

19 (h) SECTION 102302.—The heading for subsection (d) of section 102302
20 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking “RESPONSIBILITIES”
21 and inserting “RESPONSIBILITIES”.

22 (i) CHAPTER 2003.—Chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, is
23 amended—

24 (1) by amending section 200301 to read as follows:

25 **“§ 200301. Purposes; definitions**

26 “(a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this chapter are—

27 “(1) to assist in preserving, developing, and assuring accessibility to
28 all citizens of the United States and visitors who are lawfully present
29 in the United States such quality and quantity of outdoor recreation
30 resources as may be available and are necessary and desirable for indi-
31 vidual active participation in that recreation; and

32 “(2) to strengthen the health and vitality of the citizens of the
33 United States by—

34 “(A) providing funds for and authorizing Federal assistance to
35 the States in planning, acquisition, and development of needed
36 land and water areas and facilities; and

37 “(B) providing funds for the Federal acquisition and develop-
38 ment of certain land and other areas.

39 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this chapter:

40 “(1) FUND.—The term ‘Fund’ means the Land and Water Con-
41 servation Fund established under section 200302 of this title.

1 “(2) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means a State, the District of Co-
2 lumbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and
3 the Northern Mariana Islands.”;

4 (2) in section 200310(a), by striking “section 9503(c)(3)(B) of the
5 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9503(c)(3)(B))” and insert-
6 ing “section 9503(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26
7 U.S.C. 9503(c)(3)(A))”; and

8 (3) in the chapter table of contents, by amending the item relating
9 to section 200301 to read as follows:

“200301. Purposes; definitions.”.

10 (j) CHAPTER 2005.—Chapter 2005 of title 54, United States Code, is
11 amended—

12 (1) by amending section 200501 to read as follows:

13 **“§ 200501. Purposes; complement to existing Federal pro-**
14 **grams; definitions**

15 “(a) PURPOSES.— The purposes of this chapter are—

16 “(1) to authorize the Secretary to establish an urban park and recre-
17 ation recovery program that would provide Federal grants to economi-
18 cally hard-pressed communities specifically for the rehabilitation of
19 critically needed recreation areas, facilities, and development of im-
20 proved recreation programs;

21 “(2) to improve recreation facilities and expand recreation services
22 in urban areas with a high incidence of crime and to help deter crime
23 through the expansion of recreation opportunities for at-risk youth; and

24 “(3) to increase the security of urban parks and to promote collabor-
25 ation between local agencies involved in parks and recreation, law en-
26 forcement, youth social services, and juvenile justice system.

27 “(b) COMPLEMENT EXISTING FEDERAL PROGRAMS.—The urban park
28 and recreation recovery program is intended to complement existing Federal
29 programs such as the Land and Water Conservation Fund and Community
30 Development Grant Programs by encouraging and stimulating local govern-
31 ments to revitalize their park and recreation systems and to make long-term
32 commitments to continuing maintenance of these systems. The assistance
33 shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary considers ap-
34 propriate and in the public interest to carry out the purposes of this chap-
35 ter.

36 “(c) DEFINITIONS.— In this chapter:

37 “(1) AT-RISK YOUTH RECREATION GRANT.—

38 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘at-risk youth recreation grant’
39 means a grant in a neighborhood or community with a high preva-

1 lence of crime, particularly violent crime or crime committed by
2 youthful offenders.

3 “(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘at-risk youth recreation grant’
4 includes—

5 “(i) a rehabilitation grant;

6 “(ii) an innovation grant; and

7 “(iii) a matching grant for continuing program support for
8 a program of demonstrated value or success in providing con-
9 structive alternatives to youth at risk for engaging in criminal
10 behavior, including a grant for operating, or coordinating, a
11 recreation program or service.

12 “(C) ADDITIONAL USES OF REHABILITATION GRANT.—In addi-
13 tion to the purposes specified in paragraph (8), a rehabilitation
14 grant that serves as an at-risk youth recreation grant may be used
15 for the provision of lighting, emergency phones, or any other cap-
16 ital improvement that will improve the security of an urban park.

17 “(2) GENERAL PURPOSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—The term ‘general
18 purpose local government’ means—

19 “(A) a city, county, town, township, village, or other general
20 purpose political subdivision of a State; and

21 “(B) the District of Columbia.

22 “(3) INNOVATION GRANT.—The term ‘innovation grant’ means a
23 matching grant to a local government to cover costs of personnel, faci-
24 lities, equipment, supplies, or services designed to demonstrate innova-
25 tive and cost-effective ways to augment park and recreation opportuni-
26 ties at the neighborhood level and to address common problems related
27 to facility operations and improved delivery of recreation service, not
28 including routine operation and maintenance activities.

29 “(4) MAINTENANCE.—The term ‘maintenance’ means all commonly
30 accepted practices necessary to keep recreation areas and facilities op-
31 erating in a state of good repair and to protect them from deterioration
32 resulting from normal wear and tear.

33 “(5) PRIVATE, NONPROFIT AGENCY.—The term ‘private, nonprofit
34 agency’ means a community-based, nonprofit organization, corporation,
35 or association organized for purposes of providing recreational, con-
36 servation, and educational services directly to urban residents on a
37 neighborhood or communitywide basis through voluntary donations, vol-
38 untary labor, or public or private grants.

39 “(6) RECOVERY ACTION PROGRAM GRANT.—

40 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘recovery action program grant’
41 means a matching grant to a local government for development of

1 local park and recreation recovery action programs to meet the re-
2 quirements of this chapter.

3 “(B) USE.—A recovery action program grant shall be used for
4 resource and needs assessment, coordination, citizen involvement
5 and planning, and program development activities to—

6 “(i) encourage public definition of goals; and

7 “(ii) develop priorities and strategies for overall recreation
8 system recovery.

9 “(7) RECREATION AREA OR FACILITY.—The term ‘recreation area or
10 facility’ means an indoor or outdoor park, building, site, or other facil-
11 ity that is dedicated to recreation purposes and administered by a pub-
12 lic or private nonprofit agency to serve the recreation needs of commu-
13 nity residents. Emphasis shall be on public facilities readily accessible
14 to residential neighborhoods, including multiple-use community centers
15 that have recreation as 1 of their primary purposes, but excluding
16 major sports arenas, exhibition areas, and conference halls used pri-
17 marily for commercial sports, spectator, or display activities.

18 “(8) REHABILITATION GRANT.—The term ‘rehabilitation grant’
19 means a matching capital grant to a local government for rebuilding,
20 remodeling, expanding, or developing an existing outdoor or indoor
21 recreation area or facility, including improvements in park landscapes,
22 buildings, and support facilities, but excluding routine maintenance and
23 upkeep activities.

24 “(9) SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—

25 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘special purpose local govern-
26 ment’ means a local or regional special district, public-purpose cor-
27 poration, or other limited political subdivision of a State.

28 “(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘special purpose local government’
29 includes—

30 “(i) a park authority;

31 “(ii) a park, conservation, water, or sanitary district; and

32 “(iii) a school district.

33 “(10) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means a State, an instrumentality
34 of a State approved by the Governor of the State, Puerto Rico, Guam,
35 American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Is-
36 lands.”;

37 (2) in section 200503(e), by striking “transferree” and inserting
38 “transferee”; and

39 (3) in the chapter table of contents, by amending the item relating
40 to section 200501 to read as follows:

“200501. Purposes; complement to existing Federal programs; definitions.”.

1 (k) SECTION 302302.—The heading for subsection (a) of section 302302
 2 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking “OCCUR” and in-
 3 serting “OCCUR”.

4 (l) SECTION 302701.—Section 302701(e) of title 54, United States Code,
 5 is amended by striking “Preservations” and inserting “Preservation”.

6 (m) SECTION 302902.—The heading for paragraph (1) of subsection (b)
 7 of section 302902 of title 54, United States Code is amended by striking
 8 “In general” and inserting “IN GENERAL”.

9 (n) SECTION 302908.—Section 302908(a) of title 54, United States
 10 Code, is amended by inserting “the” before “Government of Palau”.

11 (o) CHAPTER 3083.—Chapter 3083 of title 54, United States Code is
 12 amended—

13 (1) by redesignating sections 308301 through 308304 as sections
 14 308302 through 308305;

15 (2) by inserting before section 308302, as redesignated by paragraph
 16 (1), the following:

17 **“§ 308301. Purposes**

18 “The purposes of this chapter are—

19 “(1) to recognize the importance of the Underground Railroad, the
 20 sacrifices made by those who used the Underground Railroad in search
 21 of freedom from tyranny and oppression, and the sacrifices made by
 22 the people who helped them; and

23 “(2) to authorize the Service to coordinate and facilitate Federal and
 24 non-Federal activities to commemorate, honor, and interpret the history
 25 of the Underground Railroad, its significance as a crucial element in
 26 the evolution of the national civil rights movement, and its relevance
 27 in fostering the spirit of racial harmony and national reconciliation.”;

28 (3) in section 308302, as redesignated by paragraph (1), by striking
 29 “308302” and inserting “308303”;

30 (4) in section 308305(a), as redesignated by paragraph (1)—

31 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “308302” and inserting
 32 “308303”; and

33 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “308303” and inserting
 34 “308304”; and

35 (5) in the chapter table of contents—

36 (A) by redesignating the items relating to sections 308301
 37 through 308304 as items relating to sections 308302 through
 38 308305; and

39 (B) by inserting before the item relating to section 308302, as
 40 redesignated by subparagraph (A), the following:

“308301. Purposes.”.

1 (q) SECTION 308704.—Section 308704(a)(1) of title 54, United States
2 Code, is amended by inserting “subsection (c) of this section or” after “sold
3 under”.

4 (r) SECTION 309101.—The heading for subsection (d) of section 309101
5 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking “ACQUISITION” and
6 inserting “ACQUISITION”.

7 (s) CHAPTER 3111.—Chapter 3111 of title 54, United States Code, is
8 amended—

9 (1) by amending section 311101 to read as follows:

10 **“§ 311101. Purpose; definitions**

11 “(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to authorize the Preserve
12 America Program, including—

13 “(1) the Preserve America grant program in the Department of the
14 Interior;

15 “(2) the recognition programs administered by the Advisory Council
16 on Historic Preservation; and

17 “(3) the related efforts of Federal agencies, working in partnership
18 with State, tribal, and local governments and the private sector, to sup-
19 port and promote the preservation of historic resources.

20 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this chapter:

21 “(1) COUNCIL.—The term ‘Council’ means the Advisory Council on
22 Historic Preservation.

23 “(2) HERITAGE TOURISM.—The term ‘heritage tourism’ means the
24 conduct of activities to attract and accommodate visitors to a site or
25 area based on the unique or special aspects of the history, landscape
26 (including trail systems), and culture of the site or area.

27 “(3) PROGRAM.—The term ‘program’ means the Preserve America
28 Program established under section 311102(a); and

29 (2) in the chapter table of contents, by amending the item relating
30 to section 311101 to read as follows:

“311101. Purpose; definitions.”.

31 (t) SECTION 312304.—The heading for paragraph (4) of subsection (b)
32 of section 312304 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking
33 “COMMISSISON” and inserting “COMMISSION”.

34 **SEC. 7. REPEALS.**

35 The following provisions of law are repealed, except with respect to rights
36 and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, or proceedings that
37 were begun before December 19, 2014:

Schedule of Laws Repealed

Act	Section	United States Code Former Classification
Act of May 15, 1896 (ch. 182)	1	16 U.S.C. 411.
	2	16 U.S.C. 412.
Act of March 3, 1897 (ch. 372)	1	16 U.S.C. 413.
	2	16 U.S.C. 414.
	4	16 U.S.C. 416.
	5	16 U.S.C. 413, 414, 416.
Act of August 24, 1912 (ch. 355 (last paragraph under heading "NATIONAL MILITARY PARKS" at 37 Stat. 442)	1	16 U.S.C. 421.
Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (Pub. L. 88-578)	title I, § 1(b)	16 U.S.C. 460f-4.
Public Law 95-344	title III, § 301(b)	16 U.S.C. 2301(b).
Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-625)	title X, § 1003	16 U.S.C. 2502.
National Park System Visitor Facilities Fund Act (Pub. L. 97-433)	1	16 U.S.C. 19gg note.
	2	16 U.S.C. 19aa note.
	3	16 U.S.C. 19bb note.
	4	16 U.S.C. 19cc note.
	5	16 U.S.C. 19dd note.
	6	16 U.S.C. 19ee note.
	7	16 U.S.C. 19ff note.
	8	16 U.S.C. 19gg note.
Omnibus Parks and Public Land Management Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-333)	div. I, title VIII, § 814(a)(1) ...	16 U.S.C. 17o(1).
	div. I, title VIII, § 814(g)(4, (5)).	16 U.S.C. 1f.
National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-203)	2(b)	16 U.S.C. 469(b).
Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-11)	title VII, § 7302(a)	16 U.S.C. 469n(a).