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To amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to make supplemental funds available for management of fish and wildlife species of greatest conservation need as determined by State fish and wildlife agencies, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 20, 2024

Mr. WESTERMAN (for himself, Mr. BENTZ, Ms. HAGEMAN, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. CARL, Mr. LAMBORN, Ms. BOEBERT, Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. MOYLAN, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Ms. MALOY, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. ZINKE, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, and Mr. WITTMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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

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Additional sponsors: Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas

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Reported from the Committee on Natural Resources with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

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Committee on Agriculture discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 20, 2024]

A BILL

To amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to make supplemental funds available for management of fish and wildlife species of greatest conservation need as determined by State fish and wildlife agencies, 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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) *SHORT TITLE.*—*This Act may be cited as the*
 5 *“America’s Wildlife Habitat Conservation Act”.*

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

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Statement of purpose.

Sec. 3. GAO study.

TITLE I—WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION

Sec. 101. Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Subaccount.

Sec. 102. Technical amendments.

Sec. 103. Savings clause.

TITLE II—TRIBAL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION

Sec. 201. Indian Tribes.

**TITLE III—CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT FOR WILDLIFE
REFUGES**

Sec. 301. Definitions.

Sec. 302. Good neighbor authority for United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

Sec. 303. Stewardship end result contracting projects.

Sec. 304. Technical amendments.

**TITLE IV—INCENTIVIZING WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ON PRIVATE
LANDS**

Sec. 401. Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances.

Sec. 402. Designation of critical habitat.

Sec. 403. Availability of certain information.

TITLE V—FOREST INFORMATION REFORM

Sec. 501. No additional consultation required.

**TITLE VI—PROVIDING FOR GREATER INCENTIVES TO RECOVER
LISTED SPECIES**

Sec. 601. Protective regulations under Endangered Species Act of 1973.

TITLE VII—RESCISSIONS AND REPEALS

Sec. 701. Rescission of funds.

Sec. 702. Repeal of certain programs.

1 **SEC. 2. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

2 *The purpose of this Act is to extend financial and tech-*
 3 *nical assistance to States, territories, the District of Colum-*
 4 *bia, and Indian Tribes, including under the Pittman-Rob-*
 5 *ertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669 et seq.), for*
 6 *the purpose of restoring habitat on State, Tribal, Federal,*
 7 *and private lands—*

8 *(1) to recover species currently listed as threat-*
 9 *ened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act*
 10 *of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) or under State law;*
 11 *and*

12 *(2) to prevent the need to list species under the*
 13 *Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et*
 14 *seq.) or under State law.*

15 **SEC. 3. GAO STUDY.**

16 *Not later than 5 years after the date of enactment of*
 17 *this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall*
 18 *conduct a study to examine the progress of States, terri-*
 19 *ories, the District of Columbia, and Indian Tribes toward*
 20 *achieving the purpose described in section 2.*

21 **TITLE I—WILDLIFE CONSERVA-**
 22 **TION AND RESTORATION**

23 **SEC. 101. WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION**

24 **SUBACCOUNT.**

25 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3 of the Pittman-Robertson*
 26 *Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669b) is amended—*

1 (1) *in subsection (a)—*

2 (A) *by striking “(1) An amount equal to”*

3 *and inserting “An amount equal to”; and*

4 (B) *by striking paragraph (2); and*

5 (2) *in subsection (c)—*

6 (A) *by inserting after “(c)” the following:*

7 “*WILDLIFE HABITAT CONSERVATION AND RES-*
8 *TORATION SUBACCOUNT.—*”;

9 (B) *by redesignating paragraphs (2) and*
10 *(3) as paragraphs (10) and (11); and*

11 (C) *by striking paragraph (1) and inserting*
12 *the following:*

13 “(1) *DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:*

14 “(A) *RESTORATION.—The term ‘restoration’*
15 *means the implementation of conservation ac-*
16 *tions and practices that reestablish or enhance*
17 *environmental conditions and ecosystem func-*
18 *tions that benefit the diversity, resilience, health,*
19 *and productivity of plants and animals.*

20 “(B) *REWILDING.—The term ‘rewilding’*
21 *means a restoration approach that prohibits*
22 *human management activities and relies only on*
23 *natural processes to maintain or improve habi-*
24 *tat.*

1 “(C) *TERRITORY AND TERRITORIES.*—*The*
2 *terms ‘territory’ and ‘territories’ mean the Com-*
3 *monwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American*
4 *Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mar-*
5 *iana Islands, and the United States Virgin Is-*
6 *lands.*

7 “(2) *ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBACCOUNT.*—

8 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*There is established in*
9 *the fund a subaccount to be known as the ‘Wild-*
10 *life Habitat Conservation and Restoration Sub-*
11 *account’.*

12 “(B) *AVAILABILITY.*—*Amounts in the Sub-*
13 *account shall be available until expended, subject*
14 *to future appropriations, for apportionment in*
15 *accordance with this Act.*

16 “(C) *DEPOSITS INTO SUBACCOUNT.*—*Sub-*
17 *ject to the availability of appropriations made in*
18 *advance for such purposes, the Secretary shall al-*
19 *locate not more than \$300,000,000 to the Sub-*
20 *account for each of fiscal years 2025 through*
21 *2029.*

22 “(D) *TREATMENT OF REVENUE.*—*Funds re-*
23 *ceived by a State fish and wildlife department as*
24 *a result of a wildlife conservation and restora-*
25 *tion program or project of such department that*

1 *is carried out on Federal or State land and*
2 *funded by the Subaccount shall be retained and*
3 *used by such department to carry out additional*
4 *authorized wildlife conservation and restoration*
5 *programs or projects pursuant to the America's*
6 *Wildlife Habitat Conservation Act.*

7 “(E) *SUNSET.*—*No funds may be appro-*
8 *priated to the Subaccount after fiscal year 2029.*

9 “(3) *SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.*—*Amounts*
10 *transferred to the Subaccount shall supplement, but*
11 *not replace, existing funds available to the States*
12 *from—*

13 “(A) *the funds distributed pursuant to the*
14 *Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act (16*
15 *U.S.C. 777 et seq.); and*

16 “(B) *the fund.*

17 “(4) *INNOVATION GRANTS.*—

18 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall dis-*
19 *tribute 10 percent of amounts in the Subaccount*
20 *in each fiscal year through a competitive grant*
21 *program to State fish and wildlife departments,*
22 *the District of Columbia fish and wildlife de-*
23 *partment, fish and wildlife departments of terri-*
24 *ories, or to regional associations of fish and*

1 *wildlife departments (or any group composed of*
2 *more than 1 such entity).*

3 “(B) *PURPOSE.*—*Recipients of a grant*
4 *issued under subparagraph (A) shall use such*
5 *grant funds for the purpose of catalyzing innova-*
6 *tion of techniques, tools, strategies, or collabo-*
7 *rative partnerships that accelerate, expand, or*
8 *replicate effective and measurable recovery efforts*
9 *for habitat of species of greatest conservation*
10 *need and species listed under the Endangered*
11 *Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).*

12 “(C) *REVIEW COMMITTEE.*—*The Secretary*
13 *shall appoint a review committee comprised of—*

14 “(i) *1 State Director from each re-*
15 *gional association of State fish and wildlife*
16 *departments;*

17 “(ii) *the head of a department respon-*
18 *sible for fish and wildlife management in a*
19 *territory;*

20 “(iii) *1 delegate from the United States*
21 *Fish and Wildlife Service, for the purpose of*
22 *providing technical assistance;*

23 “(iv) *2 individuals who represent 2*
24 *different nonprofit organizations, each of*
25 *which participated in carrying out wildlife*

1 *conservation and restoration activities*
2 *using funds apportioned from the Sub-*
3 *account during the 5-year period ending on*
4 *the date of appointment of such individual;*
5 *and*

6 “(v) 2 individuals who represent 2 dif-
7 *ferent nonprofit hunting and fishing orga-*
8 *nizations who are each a member of—*

9 “(I) *the Hunting and Wildlife*
10 *Conservation Council of the Depart-*
11 *ment of the Interior and Department*
12 *of Agriculture and classified as rep-*
13 *resenting a ‘wildlife & habitat con-*
14 *servation/management organization’;*
15 *or*

16 “(II) *the Sport Fishing and Boat-*
17 *ing Partnership Council of the Depart-*
18 *ment of the Interior and classified as*
19 *representing a ‘recreational fishery re-*
20 *source conservation organization’.*

21 “(D) *SUPPORT FROM UNITED STATES FISH*
22 *AND WILDLIFE SERVICE.—Using not more than*
23 *3 percent of the amounts distributed under sub-*
24 *paragraph (A) to carry out a competitive grant*
25 *program, the United States Fish and Wildlife*

1 *Service shall provide any personnel or adminis-*
2 *trative support services necessary for such com-*
3 *mittee to carry out its responsibilities under this*
4 *Act.*

5 “(E) *EVALUATION.*—*Such committee shall*
6 *evaluate each proposal submitted under this*
7 *paragraph and recommend projects for funding,*
8 *giving preference to solutions that accelerate the*
9 *recovery of habitat for species identified as prior-*
10 *ities through regional scientific assessments of*
11 *species of greatest conservation need.*

12 “(5) *USE OF FUNDS.*—

13 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*Funds apportioned*
14 *from the Subaccount under paragraph (2)(B)—*

15 “(i) *shall be used for purposes and*
16 *practices consistent with section 2 of the*
17 *America’s Wildlife Habitat Conservation*
18 *Act;*

19 “(ii) *shall be used to develop, carry*
20 *out, revise, or enhance the Wildlife Con-*
21 *servation Strategy of a State, territory, or*
22 *the District of Columbia, as required under*
23 *section 4(e), by carrying out, revising, or*
24 *enhancing existing wildlife conservation*
25 *and restoration programs or strategies and*

1 *developing and implementing new wildlife*
2 *conservation and restoration programs or*
3 *strategies, as determined by the appropriate*
4 *State fish and wildlife department;*

5 “(iii) shall be used to assist in the res-
6 toration of habitat for species found in the
7 State, territory, or the District of Columbia
8 that are listed as endangered species, threat-
9 ened species, candidate species or species
10 proposed for listing, or species petitioned for
11 listing under the Endangered Species Act of
12 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) or under
13 State law;

14 “(iv) may be used for management of
15 animals, including harvesting;

16 “(v) may be used for the conservation
17 and restoration of habitat for species of
18 greatest conservation need whose range is
19 shared with another State, territory, Indian
20 Tribe, or foreign government;

21 “(vi) may be used to manage, control,
22 and prevent invasive species, disease, and
23 other risks to the habitat of species of great-
24 est conservation need;

1 “(vii) may be used for forest and vege-
2 tation management activities if a primary
3 purpose of such activity is to modify, im-
4 prove, enhance, or create wildlife habitat or
5 reduce the risk of damage or destruction to
6 wildlife habitat due to wildfires, insects, or
7 disease, including—

8 “(I) planting, seeding, and har-
9 vesting, including planting, seeding,
10 and harvesting of native seeds;

11 “(II) mechanical thinning;

12 “(III) prescribed burning;

13 “(IV) chemical applications de-
14 signed to restore natural range vari-
15 ation including creating and main-
16 taining early seral communities; and

17 “(V) prescribed haying and graz-
18 ing practices;

19 “(viii) may be used to carry out vol-
20 untary, collaborative conservation work
21 with willing landowners consistent with sec-
22 tion 2 of the America’s Wildlife Habitat
23 Conservation Act to keep private lands
24 working; and

1 “(ix) may be used to provide incentives
2 to private landowners to carry out habitat
3 conservation work for threatened and en-
4 dangered species or species of greatest con-
5 servation need on the land owned by such
6 private landowners and to provide financial
7 assistance or technical assistance to such
8 private landowners to carry out such work.

9 “(B) *PROHIBITED USES.*—Funds appor-
10 tioned from the Subaccount may not be used
11 for—

12 “(i) rewilding;

13 “(ii) the reintroduction or management
14 of a species in a manner not supported by
15 the applicable State fish and wildlife man-
16 agement authorities; or

17 “(iii) climate-focused decisions that
18 lack a connection to the State comprehen-
19 sive plan developed under section 4(e)(1).

20 “(6) *MINIMUM REQUIRED SPENDING FOR ENDAN-*
21 *GERED SPECIES RECOVERY.*—Not less than 15 percent
22 of the total amount apportioned to a State, territory,
23 or the District of Columbia from the Subaccount dur-
24 ing the period of fiscal years 2025 through 2029 shall

1 *be used for purposes described in paragraph*
2 *(5)(A)(iii).*

3 *“(7) PUBLIC ACCESS TO PRIVATE LANDS NOT RE-*
4 *QUIRED.—Apportionment of funds from the Sub-*
5 *account may not be conditioned upon the provision of*
6 *public access to private lands, waters, or holdings.*

7 *“(8) REQUIREMENTS FOR MATCHING FUNDS.—*

8 *“(A) IN GENERAL.—For the purposes of the*
9 *non-Federal fund matching requirement for a*
10 *wildlife conservation and restoration program or*
11 *project funded by the Subaccount, a State, terri-*
12 *tory, or the District of Columbia may use as*
13 *matching non-Federal funds—*

14 *“(i) in-kind contributions of services*
15 *and materials;*

16 *“(ii) voluntarily donated privately*
17 *owned easements;*

18 *“(iii) in circumstances described in*
19 *subparagraph (B), revenue generated*
20 *through the sale of State hunting and fish-*
21 *ing licenses; and*

22 *“(iv) other sources consistent with part*
23 *80 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations,*
24 *as in effect on the date of the enactment of*

1 *the America’s Wildlife Habitat Conserva-*
2 *tion Act.*

3 “(B) *CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED.—Revenue*
4 *described in subparagraph (A)(iii) may*
5 *only be used to fulfill the requirements of such*
6 *non-Federal fund matching requirement if—*

7 “(i) *no Federal funds apportioned to*
8 *the State fish and wildlife department of*
9 *such State from the Wildlife Restoration*
10 *Program or the Sport Fish Restoration Pro-*
11 *gram have been reverted because of a failure*
12 *to fulfill such non-Federal fund matching*
13 *requirement by such State during the pre-*
14 *vious 2 years; and*

15 “(ii) *the project or program being*
16 *funded benefits the habitat of a species that*
17 *is a—*

18 “(I) *hunted or fished species; and*

19 “(II) *species of greatest conserva-*
20 *tion need.*

21 “(9) *STATE LAND ACQUISITION.—Land acquired*
22 *by a State, territory, or the District of Columbia*
23 *using funds apportioned from the Subaccount—*

24 “(A) *may only be purchased from a willing*
25 *seller;*

1 “(B) may only be so acquired for the pur-
2 poses described in paragraph (5)(A)(iii);

3 “(C) may only be so acquired when no other
4 source of Department of the Interior funding is
5 available to purchase such land; and

6 “(D) shall be open to the public for wildlife-
7 related outdoor recreation, including hunting,
8 trapping, fishing, or recreational shooting to the
9 extent allowed by State law.”.

10 (b) *ALLOCATION AND APPORTIONMENT OF AVAILABLE*
11 *AMOUNTS.*—Section 4 of the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife
12 *Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669c) is amended—*

13 (1) *in subsection (d)—*

14 (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

15 (i) *by inserting “, after deducting the*
16 *amount distributed pursuant to section*
17 *3(c)(4),” after “Secretary of the Interior*
18 *shall”;*

19 (ii) *in subparagraph (A)—*

20 (I) *by striking “to the District of*
21 *Columbia and to the Commonwealth of*
22 *Puerto Rico, each” and inserting “To*
23 *the District of Columbia”;* and

24 (II) *by striking “one-half” and*
25 *inserting “one-fourth”;*

1 (iii) in subparagraph (B)—

2 (I) by striking “to Guam” and
3 inserting “To Guam”; and

4 (II) by striking “not more than
5 one-fourth of 1 percent” and inserting
6 “not less than one-third of 1 percent”;
7 and

8 (iv) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(C) To the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico,
10 a sum equal to not less than 1 percent thereof.”;

11 (B) in paragraph (2)(A)—

12 (i) by amending clause (i) to read as
13 follows:

14 “(i) half of which is based on the ratio to
15 which the land and water area of such State
16 bears to the total land and water area of all such
17 States;”;

18 (ii) in clause (ii)—

19 (I) by striking “two-thirds” and
20 inserting “one-quarter”; and

21 (II) by striking the period and in-
22 serting “; and”; and

23 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
24 lowing:

1 “(iii) one quarter of which is based upon
2 the ratio to which the number of species listed as
3 endangered or threatened under the Endangered
4 Species Act of 1973 in such State bears to the
5 total number of such species listed in all such
6 States.”;

7 (C) by amending paragraph (2)(B) to read
8 as follows:

9 “(B) The amounts apportioned under this para-
10 graph shall be adjusted equitably so that no such
11 State, unless otherwise designated, shall be appor-
12 tioned a sum which is less than 1 percent or more
13 than 5 percent of the amount available for appor-
14 tionment under—

15 “(i) subparagraph (A)(i);

16 “(ii) subparagraph (A)(ii); and

17 “(iii) the overall amount available for sub-
18 paragraph (A).”; and

19 (D) in paragraph (3), by striking “3 per-
20 cent” and inserting “one-third of 1 percent”;

21 (2) in subsection (e) in paragraph (3), by strik-
22 ing “75” and inserting “90”; and

23 (3) by adding at the end following:

24 “(f) ACCOUNTABILITY.—

1 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 1 year after
2 *the date of the enactment of the America’s Wildlife*
3 *Habitat Conservation Act and every 2 years there-*
4 *after until the last day of fiscal year 2029, the head*
5 *of each State fish and wildlife department shall sub-*
6 *mit to the Director of the United States Fish and*
7 *Wildlife Service a report describing, with respect to*
8 *such department during the preceding 2 years, the fol-*
9 *lowing:*

10 “(A) *A summary of each activity carried*
11 *out using funds apportioned from the Sub-*
12 *account, including—*

13 “(i) *an accounting of the administra-*
14 *tive costs associated with each such activity;*

15 “(ii) *an accounting of land acquired, if*
16 *any, from willing sellers by each State fish*
17 *and wildlife department using funds from*
18 *the Subaccount, including—*

19 “(I) *the number of acres acquired;*

20 “(II) *the endangered species,*
21 *threatened species, candidate species or*
22 *species proposed for listing, or species*
23 *petitioned for listing under the Endan-*
24 *gered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C.*

1 1531 *et seq.*) or State law associated
2 with the land acquired;

3 “(III) the justification for such
4 land acquisition; and

5 “(IV) a detailed explanation re-
6 garding why other sources of funding
7 were not used for the land acquisition;
8 and

9 “(iii) the number of acres of habitat re-
10 stored, enhanced, created, or conserved by
11 each such activity.

12 “(B) A summary of the results and effective-
13 ness of each activity carried out using funds ap-
14 portioned from the Subaccount, including, if de-
15 terminable—

16 “(i) any change in the population
17 trends of species of greatest conservation
18 need; and

19 “(ii) any reduction in threats to spe-
20 cies of greatest conservation need.

21 “(2) SUMMARY REPORT.—The Secretary shall,
22 not later than 180 days after each deadline for the
23 submission of reports under paragraph (1), submit a
24 report summarizing each report received by the Sec-
25 retary under paragraph (1) to—

1 “(A) *the Committee on Environment and*
2 *Public Works of the Senate; and*

3 “(B) *the Committee on Natural Resources of*
4 *the House of Representatives.*

5 “(3) *STATE DEFINED.—In this subsection, the*
6 *term ‘State’ includes the District of Columbia, the*
7 *Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American*
8 *Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana*
9 *Islands, and the United States Virgin Islands.’”.*

10 **SEC. 102. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

11 (a) *DEFINITIONS.—Section 2 of the Pittman-Robertson*
12 *Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669a) is amended—*

13 (1) *in paragraph (7), by striking “including*
14 *fish,”;*

15 (2) *in paragraph (6), by striking the period at*
16 *the end and inserting a semicolon; and*

17 (3) *in paragraph (9)—*

18 (A) *by striking “section 304(d)” and insert-*
19 *ing “section 4(e)”;* and

20 (B) *by inserting “Indian Tribes,” before*
21 *“wildlife conservation organizations”.*

22 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The Pittman-Rob-*
23 *ertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669 et seq.) is*
24 *amended—*

25 (1) *in section 2—*

1 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (6)
2 through (11) as paragraphs (7) through (12), re-
3 spectively;

4 (B) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(6) the term ‘species of greatest conservation
7 need’ means, with respect to funds apportioned to a
8 State, terrestrial, aquatic, or marine fauna or flora
9 that the State fish and wildlife department of such
10 State determines are—

11 “(A) of low or declining population; or

12 “(B) facing threats and in need of conserva-
13 tion attention;”;

14 (C) by redesignating paragraphs (8)
15 through (12), as so redesignated by subpara-
16 graph (A) of this paragraph, as paragraphs (9)
17 through (13), respectively; and

18 (D) by inserting after paragraph (7), as so
19 redesignated by subparagraph (A) of this para-
20 graph, the following:

21 “(8) the term ‘Subaccount’ means the Wildlife
22 Habitat Conservation and Restoration Subaccount es-
23 tablished by section 3(c)(2)(A);”;

24 (2) in section 3—

25 (A) in subsection (c)—

1 (i) in paragraph (10), as so redesignated by section 101(a)(2)(B) of this Act, by striking “or an Indian tribe”; and

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4 (ii) in paragraph (11), as so redesignated by section 101(a)(2)(B) of this Act—

5 (I) by striking “Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Account” and inserting “Subaccount”; and

6 (II) by striking “those species with the greatest conservation need as defined by the State wildlife conservation and restoration program” and inserting “species of greatest conservation need”; and

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12 (B) in subsection (d), by striking “Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Account” and inserting “Subaccount”;

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15 (3) in section 4 (16 U.S.C. 669c)—

16 (A) in subsection (d)—

17 (i) in the heading, by striking “WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION ACCOUNT” and inserting “SUBACCOUNT”; and

18 (ii) by striking “Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Account” each place it appears and inserting “Subaccount”; and

1 (B) in subsection (e)(1), by striking “Wild-
2 life Conservation and Restoration Account” and
3 inserting “Subaccount”; and

4 (4) in section 8 (16 U.S.C. 669g), in subsection
5 (a), by striking “Wildlife Conservation and Restora-
6 tion Account” and inserting “Subaccount”.

7 **SEC. 103. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

8 *The Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16*
9 *U.S.C. 669 et seq.) is amended—*

10 (1) by redesignating section 14 as section 16;

11 and

12 (2) by inserting after section 13 the following:

13 **“SEC. 14. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

14 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act may be con-*
15 *strued to enlarge or diminish the authority, jurisdiction,*
16 *or responsibility of a State, territory, or the District of Co-*
17 *lumbia to manage, control, or regulate fish and wildlife on*
18 *lands and waters within the State, territory, or the District*
19 *of Columbia including on Federal lands and waters.*

20 “(b) *NO FUNDS AUTHORIZED FOR DAM REMOVAL OR*
21 *MODIFICATION.— None of the funds made available under*
22 *this Act may be used to remove a federally owned dam or*
23 *modify a federally owned dam in a manner that reduces*
24 *storage or diversion capacity.*

1 (1) *ACCOUNT.*—The term “Account” means the
2 *Tribal Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Account*
3 *established by subsection (b)(1).*

4 (2) *CONSERVATION.*—The term “conservation”
5 *has the meaning given such term in section 2 of the*
6 *Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16*
7 *U.S.C. 669a).*

8 (3) *INDIAN TRIBE.*—The term “Indian Tribe”
9 *has the meaning given such term in section 4 of the*
10 *Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance*
11 *Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

12 (4) *RESTORATION.*—The term “restoration”
13 *means the implementation of conservation actions*
14 *and practices that reestablish or enhance environ-*
15 *mental conditions and ecosystem functions that ben-*
16 *efit the diversity, resilience, health, and productivity*
17 *of plants and animals.*

18 (5) *REWILDING.*—The term “rewilding” means a
19 *restoration approach that prohibits human manage-*
20 *ment activities and relies only on natural processes to*
21 *maintain or improve habitat.*

22 (6) *SECRETARY.*—The term “Secretary” means
23 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

24 (7) *TRIBAL ORGANIZATION.*—The term “Tribal
25 *organization” has the meaning given such term in*

1 *section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-*
2 *cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

3 (8) *TRIBAL SPECIES OF GREATEST CONSERVA-*
4 *TION NEED.—The term “Tribal species of greatest*
5 *conservation need” means, with respect to an Indian*
6 *Tribe, any terrestrial, aquatic, or marine fauna or*
7 *flora that such Indian Tribe determines is—*

8 (A) *of low or declining population,*

9 (B) *facing threats and in need of conserva-*
10 *tion attention; or*

11 (C) *of cultural importance to such Indian*
12 *Tribe.*

13 (9) *WILDLIFE.—The term “wildlife” means any*
14 *species of—*

15 (A) *wild, free-ranging fauna, including fish;*

16 *and*

17 (B) *fauna in a captive breeding program*
18 *the object of which is to reintroduce individuals*
19 *of a depleted indigenous species into previously*
20 *occupied range of such species.*

21 (b) *TRIBAL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESTORA-*
22 *TION ACCOUNT.—*

23 (1) *IN GENERAL.—There is established in the*
24 *Treasury an account to be known as the “Tribal*
25 *Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Account”.*

1 (2) *AVAILABILITY.*—Amounts in the Account
2 shall be available until expended, subject to future ap-
3 propriations, for each fiscal year for apportionment
4 in accordance with this section.

5 (3) *DEPOSITS INTO ACCOUNT.*—There is author-
6 ized to be appropriated to the Account \$20,000,000
7 for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029.

8 (4) *SUNSET.*—No funds may be appropriated to
9 the Account after fiscal year 2029.

10 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF AMOUNTS TO INDIAN TRIBES*
11 *AND TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS.*—Each fiscal year, the Sec-
12 *retary shall distribute amounts in the Account through a*
13 *noncompetitive grant program according to guidelines, cri-*
14 *teria, and reporting requirements determined by the Sec-*
15 *retary, acting through the Director of the Bureau of Indian*
16 *Affairs, in consultation with Indian Tribes and Tribal or-*
17 *ganizations.*

18 (d) *WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES.*—

19 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The distribution guidelines
20 and criteria described in subsection (c) shall be based,
21 in part, upon the wildlife management responsibil-
22 ities of an Indian Tribe.

23 (2) *INDIAN TRIBES AND TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS*
24 *IN ALASKA.*—

1 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—Any amounts allocated
2 to an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization in
3 Alaska under this section may only be used in
4 a manner consistent with the Alaska Native
5 Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.),
6 the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
7 Act (16 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.), and Public Law
8 85–508 (commonly known as the “Alaska State-
9 hood Act”) (48 U.S.C. note prec. 21).

10 (B) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.*—An In-
11 dian Tribe or Tribal organization in Alaska
12 may enter into a cooperative agreement with the
13 State of Alaska regarding a conservation project
14 of mutual concern.

15 (e) *USE OF AMOUNTS.*—

16 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Except as provided in para-
17 graph (2), amounts distributed to an Indian Tribe or
18 Tribal organization under subsection (c)—

19 (A) shall be used for purposes consistent
20 with section 2;

21 (B) shall be used to carry out, develop, or
22 enhance wildlife and habitat conservation and
23 restoration programs;

24 (C) shall be used to assist in the restoration
25 of habitat for species found in the lands and

1 *waters of such Indian Tribe or Tribal organiza-*
2 *tion that are listed as endangered species, threat-*
3 *ened species, candidate species or species pro-*
4 *posed for listing, or species petitioned for listing*
5 *under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16*
6 *U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) or under State or Tribal*
7 *law;*

8 *(D) may be used for management of ani-*
9 *mals, including harvesting;*

10 *(E) may be used for the conservation and*
11 *restoration of habitat for Tribal species of great-*
12 *est conservation need whose range is shared with*
13 *another State, territory, Indian Tribe, or foreign*
14 *government;*

15 *(F) may be used to manage, control, and*
16 *prevent invasive species, disease, and other risks*
17 *to the habitat of Tribal species of greatest con-*
18 *servation need; and*

19 *(G) may be used for forest and vegetation*
20 *management activities if the primary purpose of*
21 *such activity is to modify, improve, enhance, or*
22 *create wildlife habitat or reduce the risk of dam-*
23 *age or destruction to wildlife habitat due to*
24 *wildfires, insects, or disease, including—*

1 (i) *planting, seeding, and harvesting,*
2 *including planting, seeding, and harvesting*
3 *of native seeds;*

4 (ii) *mechanical thinning;*

5 (iii) *prescribed burning;*

6 (iv) *chemical applications designed to*
7 *restore natural range of variation including*
8 *creating and maintaining early seral com-*
9 *munities; and*

10 (v) *prescribed haying and grazing*
11 *practices.*

12 (2) *PROHIBITED USES.*—*Amounts distributed to*
13 *an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization under sub-*
14 *section (c) may not be used for—*

15 (A) *rewilding; or*

16 (B) *the reintroduction or management of a*
17 *species in a manner not supported by the appli-*
18 *cable Tribal fish and wildlife management au-*
19 *thorities.*

20 (f) *MATCHING REQUIREMENT.*—*With respect to any*
21 *grant issued under subsection (c) that exceeds \$100,000, the*
22 *Federal share of total costs of the project funded through*
23 *such grant may not exceed 90 percent.*

24 (g) *PUBLIC ACCESS NOT REQUIRED.*—*Amounts dis-*
25 *tributed to an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization under*

1 subsection (c) may not be conditioned upon the provision
2 of public or non-Tribal access to Tribal or private lands,
3 waters, or holdings.

4 (h) *ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.*—Of the amounts depos-
5 ited under subsection (b)(3) for each fiscal year, not more
6 than 3 percent may be used by the Secretary for adminis-
7 trative costs.

8 (i) *ACCOUNTABILITY.*—

9 (1) *TRIBAL REPORTS.*—Not later than the last
10 day of fiscal year 2029, each Indian Tribe and Tribal
11 organization that receives funds under this section
12 shall submit to the Director of the Bureau of Indian
13 Affairs a report describing, with respect to such In-
14 dian Tribe or Tribal organization during the pre-
15 ceding 5 years, the following:

16 (A) A summary of each activity carried out
17 using funding received under subsection (c), in-
18 cluding—

19 (i) an accounting of the administrative
20 costs associated with each such activity; and

21 (ii) the number of acres of habitat re-
22 stored, enhanced, or conserved by each such
23 activity.

24 (B) A summary of the results and effective-
25 ness of each activity carried out using funding

1 *received under subsection (c), including, if deter-*
2 *minable—*

3 *(i) any change in the population*
4 *trends of species of greatest conservation*
5 *need; and*

6 *(ii) any reduction in threats to species*
7 *of greatest conservation need.*

8 (2) *SUMMARY REPORT.*—*The Director of the Bu-*
9 *reau of Indian Affairs shall, not later than 180 days*
10 *after each deadline for the submission of reports*
11 *under paragraph (1), submit a report summarizing*
12 *each report received by the Director under paragraph*
13 *(1) to—*

14 *(A) the Committee on Environment and*
15 *Public Works of the Senate; and*

16 *(B) the Committee on Natural Resources of*
17 *the House of Representatives.*

18 (j) *SAVINGS CLAUSE.*—*Nothing in this section may be*
19 *construed as modifying or abrogating a treaty with any*
20 *Indian Tribe, or as enlarging or diminishing the authority,*
21 *jurisdiction, or responsibility of an Indian Tribe or Tribal*
22 *organization to manage, control, or regulate wildlife.*

23 (k) *STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION WITH RESPECT TO*
24 *ALASKA.*—*If any conflict arises between any provision of*
25 *this section and any provision of the Alaska National Inter-*

1 *est Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.) or the*
2 *Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et*
3 *seq.), then the provision in the Alaska National Interest*
4 *Lands Conservation Act or the Alaska Native Claims Settle-*
5 *ment Act shall prevail.*

6 **TITLE III—CONSERVATION AND**
7 **MANAGEMENT FOR WILDLIFE**
8 **REFUGES**

9 **SEC. 301. DEFINITIONS.**

10 *In this title:*

11 (1) *AUTHORIZED RECREATION SERVICES.*—*The*
12 *term “authorized recreation services” means similar*
13 *and complementary recreation enhancement or im-*
14 *provement services carried out—*

15 (A) *on lands and waters administered by*
16 *the United States Fish and Wildlife Service,*
17 *non-Federal land, or lands and waters owned by*
18 *or held in trust for an Indian Tribe; and*

19 (B) *by the Secretary or a Governor, Indian*
20 *Tribe, or county, as applicable, pursuant to a*
21 *good neighbor agreement.*

22 (2) *AUTHORIZED RESTORATION SERVICES.*—*The*
23 *term “authorized restoration services” means similar*
24 *and complementary forest, rangeland, and watershed*
25 *restoration services—*

1 (A) carried out—

2 (i) on lands and waters administered
3 by the United States Fish and Wildlife
4 Service, non-Federal land, or lands and
5 waters owned by an Indian Tribe; and

6 (ii) by the Secretary or a Governor,
7 Indian Tribe, or county, as applicable, pur-
8 suant to a good neighbor agreement; and

9 (B) in the case of forest, rangeland, and wa-
10 tershed restoration services carried out on lands
11 and waters administered by the United States
12 Fish and Wildlife Service, such services shall be
13 consistent with the purposes for which such lands
14 were established.

15 (3) COUNTY.—The term “county” means—

16 (A) the appropriate executive official of an
17 affected county or parish; or

18 (B) in any case in which multiple counties
19 or parishes are affected, the appropriate execu-
20 tive official of a compact of the affected counties
21 or parishes.

22 (4) FOREST, RANGELAND, AND WATERSHED RES-
23 TINATION SERVICES.—

24 (A) The term “forest, rangeland, and water-
25 shed restoration services” means—

1 (i) activities to reduce hazardous fuels;

2 (ii) activities to restore or improve
3 fish, wildlife, and their habitats;

4 (iii) activities to remove vegetation or
5 other activities to promote healthy forest
6 structure and composition;

7 (iv) activities to treat insect- or dis-
8 ease-infected trees;

9 (v) activities to control noxious or ex-
10 otic weeds;

11 (vi) activities to reestablish native
12 plant species;

13 (vii) activities to maintain a road or
14 trail to restore or maintain water quality;

15 (viii) any other activities to restore or
16 improve forest, rangeland, and watershed
17 health, including fish and wildlife habitat;

18 or

19 (ix) any combination of activities de-
20 scribed in clauses (i) through (viii).

21 (B) The term “forest, rangeland, and water-
22 shed restoration services” does not include—

23 (i) construction, reconstruction, repair,
24 or restoration of paved roads or parking
25 areas, other than—

1 (I) activities described in sub-
2 paragraph (A)(vii); or

3 (II) the reconstruction, repair, or
4 restoration of a National Wildlife Ref-
5 uge System road or other road on
6 United States Fish and Wildlife Serv-
7 ice land that is necessary to carry out
8 authorized restoration services pursu-
9 ant to a good neighbor agreement; or
10 (ii) construction, alteration, repair, or
11 replacement of public buildings or works.

12 (5) *GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT.*—The term
13 “good neighbor agreement” means a cooperative
14 agreement or contract, including a sole source con-
15 tract, entered into between the Secretary and a Gov-
16 ernor, Indian Tribe, or county, as applicable, to
17 carry out authorized recreation services or authorized
18 restoration services.

19 (6) *GOVERNOR.*—The term “Governor” means
20 the Governor or any other appropriate executive offi-
21 cial of an affected State, Indian Tribe, or territory or
22 possession of the United States.

23 (7) *INDIAN TRIBE.*—The term “Indian Tribe”
24 has the meaning given such term in section 4 of the

1 *Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance*
2 *Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

3 (8) *RECREATION ENHANCEMENT OR IMPROVE-*
4 *MENT SERVICES.—The term “recreation enhancement*
5 *or improvement services” means—*

6 (A) *establishing, repairing, restoring, im-*
7 *proving, relocating, constructing, or recon-*
8 *structing new or existing—*

9 (i) *trails or trailheads;*

10 (ii) *picnic areas or other day use*
11 *areas;*

12 (iii) *restroom or shower facilities;*

13 (iv) *shooting ranges;*

14 (v) *paved or permanent roads or park-*
15 *ing areas that serve existing recreation fa-*
16 *cilities or areas;*

17 (vi) *fishing piers, wildlife viewing*
18 *platforms, docks, or other constructed fea-*
19 *tures at a recreation site;*

20 (vii) *boat landings;*

21 (viii) *hunting or fishing sites;*

22 (ix) *visitor centers or other interpreta-*
23 *tive sites; or*

24 (x) *levees and drainage structures to*
25 *improve wetland habitat; and*

1 (B) activities that create, improve, or re-
2 store access to existing recreation facilities or
3 areas.

4 (9) *SECRETARY*.—The term “Secretary” means
5 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
6 rector of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

7 **SEC. 302. GOOD NEIGHBOR AUTHORITY FOR UNITED**
8 **STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—The Secretary may enter into a
10 good neighbor agreement with a Governor, Indian Tribe,
11 or county to carry out authorized restoration services or
12 authorized recreation services in accordance with this title.

13 (b) *RESTORATION ACTIVITIES REQUIRING TIMBER*
14 *SALES*.—

15 (1) *APPROVAL OF SILVICULTURE PRESCRIPTIONS*
16 *AND MARKING GUIDES*.—The Secretary shall provide
17 or approve all silviculture prescriptions and marking
18 guides to be applied on Federal land in all timber
19 sale projects conducted under this section.

20 (2) *TREATMENT OF RESTORATION SERVICES*
21 *REVENUE*.—Funds received from the sale of timber by
22 a Governor, Indian Tribe, or county under a good
23 neighbor agreement shall be retained and used by the
24 Governor, Indian Tribe, or county, as applicable—

1 (A) to carry out authorized restoration serv-
2 ices under the good neighbor agreement; and

3 (B) if there are funds remaining after car-
4 rying out subparagraph (A), to carry out au-
5 thorized restoration services or authorized recre-
6 ation services under other good neighbor agree-
7 ments.

8 (3) *TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.*—The author-
9 ity provided under paragraph (2) shall terminate on
10 October 1, 2032.

11 (c) *RECREATION SERVICES FEES.*—Nothing in this
12 title may be construed to allow a Governor, Indian Tribe,
13 or county to charge entrance, standard amenity, or ex-
14 panded amenity fees on National Wildlife Refuge System
15 lands and waters as described in section 803 of the Federal
16 Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C. 6802).

17 (d) *RETENTION OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PRO-*
18 *TECTION ACT OF 1969 RESPONSIBILITIES.*—Any decision
19 required to be made under the National Environmental Pol-
20 icy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) with respect to
21 any authorized restoration services or authorized recreation
22 services carried out under this section on lands and waters
23 administered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Serv-
24 ice may not be delegated to a Governor, Indian Tribe, or
25 county.

1 (e) *PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.*—*The Secretary shall make*
2 *each good neighbor agreement available to the public.*

3 (f) *EXCLUSIONS.*—*The authority provided by this sec-*
4 *tion does not apply to—*

5 (1) *a component of the National Wilderness Pres-*
6 *ervation System;*

7 (2) *Federal land on which the removal of vegeta-*
8 *tion is prohibited or restricted by an Act of Congress*
9 *or a Presidential proclamation (including the appli-*
10 *cable implementation plan); or*

11 (3) *a wilderness study area.*

12 **SEC. 303. STEWARDSHIP END RESULT CONTRACTING**
13 **PROJECTS.**

14 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary, through an agree-*
15 *ment or contract, as appropriate, may enter into steward-*
16 *ship contracting projects with a private person or other*
17 *public or private entity to perform forest, rangeland, and*
18 *watershed restoration services on lands and waters admin-*
19 *istered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service that*
20 *meet local and rural community needs.*

21 (b) *AGREEMENTS OR CONTRACTS.*—

22 (1) *PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE.*—*A source for*
23 *performance or an agreement or contract entered into*
24 *under subsection (a) shall be selected on a best-value*

1 *basis, including consideration of source under other*
2 *public and private agreements or contracts.*

3 (2) *CONTRACT FOR SALE OF TIMBER OR FOREST*
4 *PRODUCTS.—A contract entered into under this sec-*
5 *tion may, at the discretion of the Secretary, be con-*
6 *sidered a contract for the sale of timber or forest*
7 *products under such terms as the Secretary may pre-*
8 *scribe without regard to any other provision of law.*

9 (3) *TERM.—The Secretary may enter into an*
10 *agreement or contract under subsection (a) for an ini-*
11 *tial period of not more than 20 years.*

12 (4) *OFFSETS.—*

13 (A) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may*
14 *apply the value of timber or forest products re-*
15 *moved as an offset against the cost of forest,*
16 *rangeland, and watershed restoration services re-*
17 *ceived pursuant to an agreement or contract*
18 *under this section.*

19 (B) *VALUE OF OFFSET.—The value of tim-*
20 *ber or other forest products used as an offset—*

21 (i) *shall be determined using appro-*
22 *priate methods of appraisal commensurate*
23 *with the quantity of products to be removed;*
24 *and*

25 (ii) *may—*

1 (I) be determined using a unit of
2 measure appropriate to the contracts;
3 and

4 (II) may include valuing products
5 on a per-acre basis.

6 (C) *CONTRACTING OFFICER.*—Notwith-
7 standing any other provision of law, the Sec-
8 retary may determine the appropriate con-
9 tracting officer to enter into and administer an
10 agreement or contract under this section.

11 (c) *RECEIPTS.*—

12 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary may collect
13 monies from an agreement or contract under this sec-
14 tion if the collection is a secondary objective of negoti-
15 ating the contract that will best achieve the purpose
16 of this section.

17 (2) *DISPOSITION AND AVAILABILITY OF MON-*
18 *EYS.*—Monies from an agreement or contract under
19 this section shall remain available until expended for
20 forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration services
21 at the project site from which the monies are collected,
22 or at another project site.

23 (d) *RELATION TO OTHER LAWS.*—Notwithstanding
24 any other provision of law, the value of services received
25 by the Secretary under a stewardship contract project con-

1 ducted under this section, and any payments made or re-
2 sources provided by the contractor or Secretary, shall not
3 be considered monies received from United States Fish and
4 Wildlife Service lands.

5 (e) *COSTS OF REMOVAL.*—Notwithstanding the fact
6 that a contractor did not harvest the timber or forest prod-
7 uct, the Secretary may collect deposits from a contractor
8 covering the costs of removal of timber or other forest prod-
9 ucts.

10 (f) *PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT GUARANTEES.*—

11 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary may require
12 performance and payment bonds under sections
13 28.103–2 and 28.103–3 of the Federal Acquisition
14 Regulation, in an amount that the contracting officer
15 considers sufficient to protect the investment in re-
16 ceipts by the Federal Government generated by the
17 contractor from the estimated value of the forest prod-
18 ucts to be removed under a contract under this sec-
19 tion.

20 (2) *EXCESS OFFSET VALUE.*—If the offset value
21 of the timber or forest products exceeds the value of
22 the resource improvement treatments, the Secretary
23 may—

1 (A) use the excess to satisfy any outstanding
2 liabilities from cancelled agreements or contracts;

3 or

4 (B) if there are no outstanding liabilities
5 described in subparagraph (A), apply the excess
6 to other authorized stewardship projects.

7 (g) *CANCELLATION CEILINGS.*—Notwithstanding sec-
8 tion 3903(b)(1) of title 41, United States Code, the Sec-
9 retary may obligate funds in stages that are economically
10 or programmatically viable to cover any potential cancella-
11 tion or termination costs for an agreement or contract
12 under this section.

13 (h) *MONITORING AND EVALUATION.*—

14 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary shall establish
15 a monitoring and evaluation process that accesses the
16 stewardship contracting projects conducted under this
17 section.

18 (2) *PARTICIPANTS.*—Other than the Secretary,
19 participants in the process described in this para-
20 graph may include—

21 (A) any cooperating governmental agencies,
22 including Tribal governments; and

23 (B) other interested groups or individuals.

1 **SEC. 304. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

2 (a) *GOOD NEIGHBOR AUTHORITY*.—Section 8206 of
3 the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16 U.S.C. 2113a) is amend-
4 ed—

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) in paragraph (1)(B), by inserting “,
7 Indian tribe,” after “Governor”;

8 (B) in paragraph (3)(A)—

9 (i) in clause (i), by striking “or” at
10 the end;

11 (ii) in clause (iii), by striking “; or”
12 at the end and inserting a period; and

13 (iii) by striking clause (iv).

14 (C) in paragraph (4)(B)(i), by striking
15 “National Park Service, or National Wildlife
16 Refuge” and inserting “or National Park Serv-
17 ice”;

18 (D) in paragraph (5), by inserting “, In-
19 dian tribe,” after “Governor”; and

20 (E) in paragraph (6), by striking “or In-
21 dian tribe”; and

22 (2) in subsection (b)—

23 (A) in paragraph (1)(A), by inserting “, In-
24 dian tribe,” after “Governor”;

25 (B) in paragraph (2)(C)—

1 (i) by amending clause (i) to read as
2 follows:

3 “(i) *IN GENERAL.—Funds received*
4 *from the sale of timber by a Governor, In-*
5 *Indian tribe, or county under a good neighbor*
6 *agreement shall be retained and used by the*
7 *Governor, Indian tribe, or county, as appli-*
8 *cable—*

9 *“(I) to carry out authorized res-*
10 *toration services under the good neigh-*
11 *bor agreement; and*

12 *“(II) if there are funds remaining*
13 *after carrying out subclause (I), to*
14 *carry out authorized restoration serv-*
15 *ices under other good neighbor agree-*
16 *ments.”; and*

17 (ii) in clause (ii), by striking “2024”
18 and inserting “2029”;

19 (C) in paragraph (3), by inserting “, In-
20 *Indian tribe,”* after “Governor”; and

21 (D) by striking paragraph (4).

22 (b) *APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this*
23 *title apply to any project initiated pursuant to a good*
24 *neighbor agreement (as defined in 8206(a) of the Agricul-*
25 *tural Act of 2014 (16 U.S.C. 2113a(a))—*

1 (1) before the date of the enactment of this Act,
2 if the project was initiated after the date of the enact-
3 ment of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018
4 (Public Law 115–334); or

5 (2) on or after the date of the enactment of this
6 Act.

7 **TITLE IV—INCENTIVIZING WILD-**
8 **LIFE CONSERVATION ON PRI-**
9 **VATE LANDS**

10 **SECTION 401. CANDIDATE CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS**
11 **WITH ASSURANCES.**

12 (a) *LISTING DETERMINATIONS.*—Section 4(b)(1) of the
13 *Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533(b)(1))* is
14 *amended by adding at the end the following:*

15 “(C) *CANDIDATE CONSERVATION AGREE-*
16 *MENTS WITH ASSURANCES.*—In making a deter-
17 *mination under subsection (a)(1) with respect to*
18 *a species, the Secretary shall take into account*
19 *and document the effect of any net conservation*
20 *benefit (as that term is defined in section 10(k))*
21 *of any Candidate Conservation Agreement with*
22 *Assurances or any programmatic Candidate*
23 *Conservation Agreement with Assurances (as*
24 *those terms are defined in that subsection) relat-*
25 *ing to such species.”.*

1 **(b) CANDIDATE CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS WITH**
2 *ASSURANCES.*—*Section 10 of the Endangered Species Act*
3 *of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539) is amended by adding at the end*
4 *the following:*

5 **“(k) CANDIDATE CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS WITH**
6 *ASSURANCES.*—

7 **“(1) PROPOSED AGREEMENT.**—*A covered party*
8 *may submit a proposed Agreement to the Secretary.*

9 **“(2) APPROVAL.**—*Not later than 120 days after*
10 *the date of the receipt of a proposed Agreement under*
11 *paragraph (1), the Secretary shall approve the pro-*
12 *posed Agreement if the Secretary determines that the*
13 *proposed Agreement—*

14 **“(A) sets forth specific management activi-**
15 *ties that the covered party will undertake to con-*
16 *serve the covered species;*

17 **“(B) provides a positive estimate of the net**
18 *conservation benefit of such management activi-*
19 *ties to the covered species;*

20 **“(C) describes, to the maximum extent prac-**
21 *ticable, the existing population levels of the cov-*
22 *ered species or the existing quality of habitat;*

23 **“(D) includes a monitoring plan to be car-**
24 *ried out by the parties to the Agreement; and*

1 “(E) provides assurances to the covered
2 party that no additional conservation measures
3 will be required and additional land, water, or
4 resource use restrictions will not be imposed on
5 the covered party if the covered species becomes
6 listed after the effective date of such Agreement.

7 “(3) DENIAL.—Not later than 120 days after the
8 date of the receipt of a proposed Agreement under
9 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

10 “(A) deny the proposed Agreement if the
11 Secretary determines that the proposed Agree-
12 ment does not meet the requirements described in
13 paragraph (2); and

14 “(B) provide the submitting covered party a
15 written explanation for such determination and
16 the adjustments required for the Secretary to ap-
17 prove such proposed Agreement.

18 “(4) PROGRAMMATIC CANDIDATE CONSERVATION
19 AGREEMENT WITH ASSURANCES.—

20 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may
21 enter into a Candidate Conservation Agreement
22 with Assurances with a covered party that au-
23 thORIZES such covered party—

24 “(i) to administer such Candidate
25 Conservation Agreement with Assurances;

1 “(ii) to hold any permit issued under
2 this section with regard to such Candidate
3 Conservation Agreement with Assurances;

4 “(iii) to enroll other covered parties
5 within the area covered by such Candidate
6 Conservation Agreement with Assurances in
7 such Candidate Conservation Agreement
8 with Assurances; and

9 “(iv) to convey any permit authoriza-
10 tion held by such covered party under
11 clause (ii) to each covered party enrolled
12 under clause (iii).

13 “(B) PUBLICATION.—Upon receipt of a pro-
14 posed programmatic Candidate Conservation
15 Agreement with Assurances under paragraph (1)
16 and before approving or denying such a proposed
17 programmatic Candidate Conservation Agree-
18 ment with Assurances under paragraph (2) or
19 (3), respectively, the Secretary shall—

20 “(i) not later than 30 days after the
21 date of such receipt, publish the proposed
22 programmatic Candidate Conservation
23 Agreement with Assurances in the Federal
24 Register for public comment for a period of
25 not less than 60 days;

1 “(ii) review any comments received
2 under clause (i); and

3 “(iii) after the close of the public com-
4 ment period for the proposed programmatic
5 Candidate Conservation Agreement with As-
6 surances, publish in the Federal Register—

7 “(I) any comments received under
8 clause (i); and

9 “(II) the approval or denial of the
10 proposed programmatic Candidate
11 Conservation Agreement with Assur-
12 ances under paragraph (2) or (3), re-
13 spectively.

14 “(5) *INCIDENTAL TAKE AUTHORIZATION.*—If a
15 covered species is listed under section 4, the Secretary
16 shall issue a permit to the relevant covered party
17 under this section allowing incidental take of and
18 modification to the habitat of such covered species
19 consistent with the Agreement.

20 “(6) *TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.*—The Secretary
21 shall, upon request, provide a covered party with
22 technical assistance in developing a proposed Agree-
23 ment.

24 “(7) *APPLICABILITY TO FEDERAL LAND.*—An
25 Agreement may apply to a covered party that con-

1 *ducts activities on land administered by any Federal*
2 *agency pursuant to a permit or lease issued to the*
3 *covered party by that Federal agency.*

4 “(8) *EXEMPTION FROM CONSULTATION REQUIRE-*
5 *MENT.—An Agreement approved under this subsection*
6 *shall be deemed to have been granted an exemption*
7 *under section 7(h) for the purposes of that section.*

8 “(9) *EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE.—Informa-*
9 *tion submitted by a private party to the Secretary*
10 *under this subsection shall be exempt from disclosure*
11 *under section 552(b)(3)(B) of title 5, United States*
12 *Code.*

13 “(10) *DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:*

14 “(A) *AGREEMENT.—The term ‘Agreement’*
15 *means—*

16 “(i) *a Candidate Conservation Agree-*
17 *ment with Assurances; or*

18 “(ii) *a programmatic Candidate Con-*
19 *servation Agreement with Assurances.*

20 “(B) *CANDIDATE CONSERVATION AGREE-*
21 *MENT WITH ASSURANCES.—The term ‘Candidate*
22 *Conservation Agreement with Assurances’ means*
23 *any voluntary agreement, including a conserva-*
24 *tion benefit agreement, between the Secretary*
25 *and a covered party in which—*

1 “(i) the covered party commits to im-
2 plementing mutually agreed upon conserva-
3 tion measures for a candidate species; and

4 “(ii) the Secretary provides assurances
5 that, if such candidate species is listed pur-
6 suant to section 4—

7 “(I) the covered party shall incur
8 no additional obligations beyond ac-
9 tions agreed to in the agreement with
10 respect to conservation activities re-
11 quired under this Act; and

12 “(II) no additional land, water,
13 or resource use restrictions shall be im-
14 posed on the covered party beyond
15 those included in the agreement.

16 “(C) *CANDIDATE SPECIES*.—The term ‘can-
17 didate species’ means a species—

18 “(i) designated by the Secretary as a
19 candidate species under this Act; or

20 “(ii) proposed to be listed pursuant to
21 section 4.

22 “(D) *COVERED PARTY*.—The term ‘covered
23 party’ means a—

24 “(i) party that conducts activities on
25 land administered by a Federal agency pur-

1 *suant to a permit or lease issued to the*
2 *party;*

3 “(ii) *private property owner;*

4 “(iii) *county;*

5 “(iv) *State or State agency; or*

6 “(v) *Tribal government.*

7 “(E) *COVERED SPECIES.—The term ‘cov-*
8 *ered species’ means, with respect to an Agree-*
9 *ment, the species that is the subject of such*
10 *Agreement.*

11 “(F) *NET CONSERVATION BENEFIT.—The*
12 *term ‘net conservation benefit’ means the net ef-*
13 *fect of an Agreement, determined by comparing*
14 *the existing situation of the candidate species*
15 *without the Agreement in effect and a situation*
16 *in which the Agreement is in effect, on a can-*
17 *didate species, including—*

18 “(i) *the net effect on threats to such*
19 *species;*

20 “(ii) *the net effect on the number of in-*
21 *dividuals of such species; or*

22 “(iii) *the net effect on the habitat of*
23 *such species.*

24 “(G) *PROGRAMMATIC CANDIDATE CON-*
25 *SERVATION AGREEMENT WITH ASSURANCES.—*

1 *The term ‘programmatically Candidate Conservation*
2 *Agreement with Assurances’ means a Candidate*
3 *Conservation Agreement with Assurances de-*
4 *scribed in paragraph (4)(A).’.*

5 **SEC. 402. DESIGNATION OF CRITICAL HABITAT.**

6 *Section 4(a)(3) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973*
7 *(16 U.S.C. 1533(a)(3)) is amended by adding at the end*
8 *the following:*

9 “(C) *PRIVATELY OWNED OR CONTROLLED*
10 *LAND.—The Secretary may not designate as crit-*
11 *ical habitat under subparagraph (A) any pri-*
12 *vately owned or controlled land or other geo-*
13 *graphical area that is subject to a land manage-*
14 *ment plan that—*

15 “(i) *the Secretary determines is simi-*
16 *lar in nature to an integrated natural re-*
17 *sources management plan described in sec-*
18 *tion 101 of the Sikes Act (16 U.S.C. 670a);*

19 “(ii)(I) *is prepared in cooperation*
20 *with the Secretary and the head of each ap-*
21 *plicable State fish and wildlife agency of*
22 *each State in which such land or other geo-*
23 *graphical area is located; or*

24 “(II) *is submitted to the Secretary*
25 *in a manner that is similar to the*

1 *manner in which an applicant submits*
2 *a conservation plan to the Secretary*
3 *under section 10(a)(2)(A);*

4 *“(iii) includes an activity or a limita-*
5 *tion on an activity that the Secretary deter-*
6 *mines will likely conserve the species con-*
7 *cerned;*

8 *“(iv) the Secretary determines will re-*
9 *sult in—*

10 *“(I) an increase in the population*
11 *of the species concerned above the pop-*
12 *ulation of such species on the date that*
13 *such species is listed as threatened or*
14 *endangered; or*

15 *“(II) maintaining the same popu-*
16 *lation of such species on the land or*
17 *other geographical area as the popu-*
18 *lation that would likely occur if such*
19 *land or other geographical area is des-*
20 *ignated as critical habitat; and*

21 *“(v) to the maximum extent prac-*
22 *ticable, will minimize and mitigate the im-*
23 *pacts of any activity that will likely result*
24 *in an incidental taking of the species con-*
25 *cerned.”.*

1 **SEC. 403. AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION.**

2 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided in subsection*
3 *(b), information regarding the occurrence of, including the*
4 *specific location of, a species of fish or wildlife or plant*
5 *may not be made available to the public under section 552*
6 *of title 5, United States Code.*

7 (b) *EXCEPTION.*—

8 (1) *VOLUNTARY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF OCCUR-*
9 *RENCES ON FEDERAL LAND.*—*The Secretary may*
10 *make publicly available information described in sub-*
11 *section (a) with respect to Federal land.*

12 (2) *SHARING INFORMATION WITH PARTICULAR*
13 *ENTITIES.*—

14 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary may make*
15 *available, to an entity listed in subparagraph*
16 *(B), information described in subsection (a)*
17 *upon receipt—*

18 (i) *of a written request submitted by*
19 *that entity; and*

20 (ii) *written permission from each*
21 *owner or manager of the land or water*
22 *within which the species of fish or wildlife*
23 *or plant occurs.*

24 (B) *ENTITIES.*—*An entity referred to in*
25 *clause (i) is—*

26 (i) *a Federal agency;*

1 (ii) a State governmental agency;

2 (iii) an Indian Tribe (as such term is
3 defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-De-
4 termination and Education Assistance Act
5 (25 U.S.C. 5304));

6 (iv) a bona fide educational or research
7 institution; or

8 (v) a landowner or land manager of
9 privately owned land.

10 (C) *REQUIREMENTS.*—A written request
11 submitted under subparagraph (A) by an entity
12 listed in subparagraph (B) shall—

13 (i) describe the specific site or area for
14 which information described in subsection
15 (a) is sought;

16 (ii) explain the purpose for which such
17 information is sought; and

18 (iii) describe the manner and degree to
19 which the entity is able to maintain the
20 confidentiality of such information.

21 **TITLE V—FOREST INFORMATION**
22 **REFORM**

23 **SEC. 501. NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED.**

24 (a) *FOREST SERVICE PLANS.*—Section 6(d)(2) of the
25 *Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act*

1 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604(d)(2)) is amended to read as fol-
2 lows:

3 “(2) NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED
4 UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.—Notwithstanding
5 any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be
6 required to reinstitute consultation under section
7 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16
8 U.S.C. 1536(a)(2)) or section 402.16 of title 50, Code
9 of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation), on
10 a land management plan approved, amended, or re-
11 vised under this section when—

12 “(A) a new species is listed or critical habi-
13 tat is designated under the Endangered Species
14 Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or

15 “(B) new information reveals effects of the
16 land management plan that may affect a species
17 listed or critical habitat designated under that
18 Act in a manner or to an extent not previously
19 considered.”.

20 (b) BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS.—Section
21 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
22 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712) is amended by adding at the end
23 the following:

24 “(g) NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED
25 UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.—Notwithstanding any

1 *other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be required*
 2 *to reinitiate consultation under section 7(a)(2) of the En-*
 3 *dangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1536(a)(2)) or sec-*
 4 *tion 402.16 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (or a*
 5 *successor regulation), on a land use plan approved, amend-*
 6 *ed, or revised under this section when—*

7 “(1) a new species is listed or critical habitat is
 8 designated under the Endangered Species Act of 1973
 9 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or

10 “(2) new information reveals effects of the land
 11 use plan that may affect a species listed or critical
 12 habitat designated under that Act in a manner or to
 13 an extent not previously considered.”.

14 **TITLE VI—PROVIDING FOR**
 15 **GREATER INCENTIVES TO RE-**
 16 **COVER LISTED SPECIES**

17 **SEC. 601. PROTECTIVE REGULATIONS UNDER ENDANGERED**
 18 **SPECIES ACT OF 1973.**

19 (a) *AMENDMENT TO DEFINITION.*—Section 3(3) of the
 20 *Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1532(3)) is*
 21 *amended by striking “and transplantation, and, in the ex-*
 22 *traordinary case where population pressures within a given*
 23 *ecosystem cannot be otherwise relieved, may include” and*
 24 *inserting “transplantation, and, at the discretion of the*
 25 *Secretary.”.*

1 (b) *PROTECTIVE REGULATIONS.*—Section 4 of the En-
2 *dangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) is amend-*
3 *ed—*

4 (1)

5 “(d) *PROTECTIVE REGULATIONS.*—

6 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Whenever any species is list-
7 *ed as a threatened species pursuant to subsection (c),*
8 *the Secretary shall issue such regulations as are nec-*
9 *essary and advisable to provide for the conservation*
10 *of that species.*

11 “(2) *RECOVERY GOALS.*—If the Secretary issues
12 *a regulation under paragraph (1) that prohibits an*
13 *act described in section 9(a), the Secretary shall, with*
14 *respect to the species that is the subject of such regula-*
15 *tion—*

16 “(A) *establish objective, incremental recov-*
17 *ery goals;*

18 “(B) *provide for the stringency of such reg-*
19 *ulation to decrease as such recovery goals are*
20 *met; and*

21 “(C) *provide for State management within*
22 *such State, if such State is willing to take on*
23 *such management, beginning on the date on*
24 *which the Secretary determines all such recovery*
25 *goals are met and, if such recovery goals remain*

1 *met, continuing until such species is removed*
2 *from the list of threatened species published pur-*
3 *suant to subsection (c).*

4 “(3) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.*—*A regulation*
5 *issued under paragraph (1) that prohibits an act de-*
6 *scribed in section 9(a)(1) with respect to a resident*
7 *species shall apply with respect to a State that has*
8 *entered into a cooperative agreement with the Sec-*
9 *retary pursuant to section 6(c) only to the extent that*
10 *such regulation is adopted by such State.*

11 “(4) *STATE RECOVERY STRATEGY.*—

12 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*A State may develop a*
13 *recovery strategy for a threatened species or a*
14 *candidate species and submit to the Secretary a*
15 *petition for the Secretary to use such recovery*
16 *strategy as the basis for any regulation issued*
17 *under paragraph (1) with respect to such species*
18 *within such State.*

19 “(B) *APPROVAL OR DENIAL OF PETITION.*—
20 *Not later than 120 days after the date on which*
21 *the Secretary receives a petition submitted under*
22 *subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall—*

23 “(i) *approve such petition if the recov-*
24 *ery strategy is reasonably certain to be im-*
25 *plemented by the petitioning State and to*

1 *be effective in conserving the species that is*
2 *the subject of such recovery strategy; or*

3 “(ii) *deny such petition if the require-*
4 *ments described in clause (i) are not met.*

5 “(C) *PUBLICATION.*—*Not later than 30 days*
6 *after the date on which the Secretary approves or*
7 *denies a petition under subparagraph (B), the*
8 *Secretary shall publish such approval or denial*
9 *in the Federal Register.*

10 “(D) *DENIAL OF PETITION.*—

11 “(i) *WRITTEN EXPLANATION.*—*If the*
12 *Secretary denies a petition under subpara-*
13 *graph (B), the Secretary shall include in*
14 *such denial a written explanation for such*
15 *denial, including a description of the*
16 *changes to such petition that are necessary*
17 *for the Secretary to approve such petition.*

18 “(ii) *RESUBMISSION OF DENIED PETI-*
19 *TION.*—*A State may resubmit a petition*
20 *that is denied under subparagraph (B).*

21 “(E) *USE IN PROTECTIVE REGULATIONS.*—
22 *If the Secretary approves a petition under sub-*
23 *paragraph (B), the Secretary shall—*

24 “(i) *issue a regulation under para-*
25 *graph (1) that adopts the recovery strategy*

1 *as such regulation with respect to the spe-*
2 *cies that is the subject of such recovery*
3 *strategy within the petitioning State; and*

4 “(i) *establish objective criteria to*
5 *evaluate the effectiveness of such recovery*
6 *strategy in conserving such species within*
7 *such State.*

8 “(F) *REVISION.—If a recovery strategy that*
9 *is adopted as a regulation issued under para-*
10 *graph (1) is determined by the Secretary to be*
11 *ineffective in conserving the species that is the*
12 *subject of such recovery strategy in accordance*
13 *with the objective criteria established under sub-*
14 *paragraph (E)(ii) for such recovery strategy, the*
15 *Secretary shall revise such regulation and reissue*
16 *such regulation in accordance with paragraph*
17 *(1).”;* and

18 (2) *in subsection (f)(1)(B)—*

19 (A) *in clause (ii), by striking “and” at the*
20 *end;*

21 (B) *in clause (iii), by striking the period at*
22 *the end and inserting “; and”;* and

23 (C) *by adding at the end the following:*

24 “(iv) *with respect to an endangered species,*
25 *objective, incremental recovery goals in accord-*

1 *ance with subsection (d)(2)(A) for use under that*
2 *subsection if such endangered species is changed*
3 *in status from an endangered species to a threat-*
4 *ened species under subsection (c)(2)(B)(ii).”.*

5 **TITLE VII—RESCISSIONS AND**
6 **REPEALS**

7 **SEC. 701. RESCISSION OF FUNDS.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Any unobligated covered funds are*
9 *hereby rescinded.*

10 *(b) COVERED FUNDS DEFINED.—In this section, the*
11 *term “covered funds” means—*

12 *(1) any funds appropriated or otherwise made*
13 *available by sections 40002, 50224, 50232, 60401,*
14 *and 60402 of Public Law 117–169 (commonly known*
15 *as the “Inflation Reduction Act”); and*

16 *(2) \$700,000,000 of the \$2,600,000,000 appro-*
17 *priated to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Ad-*
18 *ministration in section 40001 of Public Law 117–169*
19 *(commonly known as the “Inflation Reduction Act”).*

20 **SEC. 702. REPEAL OF CERTAIN PROGRAMS.**

21 *The following sections of division AA of the Consoli-*
22 *dated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260) are*
23 *repealed (and by conforming the items in the table of con-*
24 *tents accordingly):*

25 *(1) Section 507 (16 U.S.C. 4701 note).*

1 (2) *Section 508 (16 U.S.C. 742b note).*

2 (3) *Section 510 (16 U.S.C. 742b note).*

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