

Public Law 103-219
103d Congress

An Act

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[H.R. 3617]

To amend the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989, and for other purposes.

Conservation.
Florida.
Public lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 104 of the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989 (16 U.S.C. 410r-8) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(k)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to use funds appropriated pursuant to this Act, including any available funds appropriated to the National Park Service for construction in the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Acts for fiscal years 1991 through 1994 for project modifications by the Army Corps of Engineers, in such amounts as determined by the Secretary, to provide Federal assistance to the State of Florida (including political subdivisions of the State) for acquisition of lands described in paragraph (4).

“(2) With respect to any lands acquired pursuant to this subsection, the Secretary may provide not more than 25 percent of the total cost of such acquisition.

“(3) All funds made available pursuant to this subsection shall be transferred to the State of Florida or a political subdivision of the State, subject to an agreement that any lands acquired with such funds will be managed in perpetuity for the restoration of natural flows to the park or Florida Bay.

“(4) The lands referred to in paragraph (1) are those lands or interests therein adjacent to, or affecting the restoration of natural water flows to, the park or Florida Bay which are located east of the park and known as the Frog Pond, Rocky Glades Agricultural Area, and the Eight-and-One-Half Square-Mile Area.”.

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