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H. R. 2677

To require the Secretary of the Interior to accept from a State donations of services of State employees to perform, in a period of Government budgetary shutdown, otherwise authorized functions in any unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System or the National Park System.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 20, 1995

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. CALVERT, and Mr. HAYWORTH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Parks and
5 National Wildlife Refuge Systems Freedom Act of 1995”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT FOR SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR**
2 **TO ACCEPT STATE DONATIONS OF STATE EM-**
3 **PLOYEE SERVICES.**

4 (a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary shall accept from
5 any State donations of services of qualified State employ-
6 ees to perform in a Unit, in a period of Government budg-
7 etary shutdown, functions otherwise authorized to be per-
8 formed by Department of Interior personnel.

9 (b) LIMITATIONS.—An employee of a State may per-
10 form functions under this section only within areas of a
11 Unit that are located in the State.

12 (c) EXCLUSION FROM TREATMENT AS FEDERAL EM-
13 PLOYEES.—A State employee who performs functions
14 under this section shall not be treated as a Federal em-
15 ployee for purposes of any Federal law relating to pay or
16 benefits for Federal employees.

17 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

18 (1) the term “Government budgetary shut-
19 down” means a period during which there are no
20 amounts available for the operation of the National
21 Wildlife Refuge System and the National Park Sys-
22 tem, because of—

23 (A) a failure to enact an annual appropria-
24 tions bill for the period for the Department of
25 the Interior; and

1 (B) a failure to enact a bill (or joint reso-
2 lution) continuing the availability of appropria-
3 tions for the Department of the Interior for a
4 temporary period pending the enactment of
5 such an annual appropriations bill;

6 (2) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary
7 of the Interior; and

8 (3) the term “Unit” means a unit of—

9 (A) the National Wildlife Refuge System,
10 or

11 (B) the National Park System.

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