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To establish the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor, and for other purposes.

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Mr. THURMOND (for himself and Mr. HOLLINGS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

To establish the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor, and for other purposes.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “South Carolina  
5 National Heritage Corridor Act of 1995”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

8 (1) the South Carolina National Heritage Cor-  
9 ridor, more than 250 miles in length, possesses a  
10 wide diversity of significant rare plants, animals,

1 and ecosystems, agricultural and timber lands, shell-  
2 fish harvesting areas, historic sites and structures,  
3 and cultural and multicultural landscapes related to  
4 the past and current commerce, transportation, mar-  
5 itime, textile, agricultural, mining, cattle, pottery,  
6 and national defense industries of the region, which  
7 provide significant ecological, natural, tourism, rec-  
8 reational, timber management, educational, and eco-  
9 nomic benefits;

10 (2) there is a national interest in protecting,  
11 conserving, restoring, promoting, and interpreting  
12 the benefits of the Corridor for the residents of, and  
13 visitors to, the Corridor area;

14 (3) a primary responsibility for conserving, pre-  
15 serving, protecting, and promoting the benefits re-  
16 sides with the State of South Carolina and the units  
17 of local government having jurisdiction over the Cor-  
18 ridor area; and

19 (4) in view of the longstanding Federal practice  
20 of assisting States in creating, protecting, conserv-  
21 ing, preserving, and interpreting areas of significant  
22 natural and cultural importance, and in view of the  
23 national significance of the Corridor, the Federal  
24 Government has an interest in assisting the State of  
25 South Carolina, the units of local government of the

1 State, and the private sector in fulfilling the respon-  
2 sibilities described in paragraph (3).

3 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—

4 (1) to protect, preserve, conserve, restore, pro-  
5 mote, and interpret the significant land and water  
6 resource values and functions of the Corridor;

7 (2) to encourage and support, through financial  
8 and technical assistance, the State of South Caro-  
9 lina, the units of local government of the State, and  
10 the private sector in the development of a manage-  
11 ment action plan for the Corridor to ensure coordi-  
12 nated public and private action in the Corridor area  
13 in a manner consistent with subsection (a);

14 (3) to provide, during the development of an in-  
15 tegrated Corridor Management Action Plan, Federal  
16 financial and technical assistance for the protection,  
17 preservation, and conservation of land and water  
18 areas in the Corridor that are in danger of being ad-  
19 versely affected or destroyed;

20 (4) to encourage and assist the State of South  
21 Carolina and the units of local government of the  
22 State to identify the full range of public and private  
23 technical and financial assistance programs and  
24 services available to implement the Corridor Man-  
25 agement Action Plan;

1 (5) to encourage adequate coordination of all  
2 government programs affecting the land and water  
3 resources of the Corridor; and

4 (6) to develop a management framework with  
5 the State of South Carolina and the units of local  
6 government of the State for—

7 (A) planning and implementing the Cor-  
8 ridor Management Action Plan; and

9 (B) developing policies and programs that  
10 will preserve, conserve, protect, restore, en-  
11 hance, and interpret the cultural, historical,  
12 natural, economic, recreational, and scenic re-  
13 sources of the Corridor.

14 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

15 In this Act:

16 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”  
17 means the South Carolina National Heritage Cor-  
18 ridor Commission established by section 5.

19 (2) CORRIDOR.—The term “Corridor” means  
20 the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor es-  
21 tablished by section 4.

22 (3) CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN.—  
23 The term “Corridor Management Action Plan”  
24 means the management action plan developed under  
25 section 7.

1           (4) GOVERNOR.—The term “Governor” means  
2           the Governor of the State of South Carolina.

3           (5) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
4           the Secretary of the Interior.

5 **SEC. 4. SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR.**

6           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
7           State of South Carolina the South Carolina National Her-  
8           itage Corridor.

9           (b) BOUNDARIES.—

10           (1) IN GENERAL.—The boundaries of the Cor-  
11           ridor are generally the boundaries of the western  
12           counties of the State of South Carolina, extending  
13           from the western Piedmont along the Savannah Val-  
14           ley to Augusta, Georgia, along the route of the old  
15           Southern Railroad, along the Ashley River to  
16           Charleston.

17           (2) INCLUDED COUNTIES.—The Corridor shall  
18           consist of the following counties of South Carolina,  
19           in part or in whole, as the Commission may specify  
20           on the recommendations of the units of local govern-  
21           ment within the Corridor area:

22                   (A) Oconee.

23                   (B) Pickens.

24                   (C) Anderson.

25                   (D) Abbeville.

1 (E) Greenwood.

2 (F) McCormick.

3 (G) Edgefield.

4 (H) Aiken.

5 (I) Barnwell.

6 (J) Orangeburg.

7 (K) Bamberg.

8 (L) Dorchester.

9 (M) Colleton.

10 (N) Charleston.

11 (3) **DETAIL.**—The boundaries shall be specified  
12 in detail in the Corridor Management Action Plan.

13 **SEC. 5. SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR**  
14 **COMMISSION.**

15 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—

16 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—There is established the  
17 South Carolina National Heritage Corridor Commis-  
18 sion.

19 (2) **RESPONSIBILITIES.**—The Commission shall  
20 assist Federal, State, and local authorities and the  
21 private sector in developing and implementing the  
22 Corridor Management Action Plan.

23 (b) **MEMBERSHIP.**—The Commission shall be com-  
24 posed of 23 members, appointed by the Secretary as  
25 follows:

1 (1) One member shall be the Director of the  
2 National Park Service, or a delegate of the Director,  
3 who shall be a nonvoting member.

4 (2) Six members shall be appointed from among  
5 recommendations submitted by the Governor, as  
6 follows:

7 (A) One member shall represent the inter-  
8 ests of the South Carolina Department of  
9 Parks, Recreation, and Tourism or a successor  
10 agency to the department.

11 (B) One member shall represent the South  
12 Carolina Department of Natural Resources or a  
13 successor agency to the department.

14 (C) One member shall represent the South  
15 Carolina Arts Commission or a successor agen-  
16 cy of the commission.

17 (D) One member shall represent the South  
18 Carolina Museum Commission or a successor  
19 agency to the commission.

20 (E) One member shall represent the South  
21 Carolina State Historic Preservation Office or a  
22 successor agency to the office.

23 (F) One member shall represent the South  
24 Carolina Department of Commerce or a succes-  
25 sor agency to the department.

1           (3) Fourteen members shall be appointed from  
2           among recommendations submitted by the county  
3           commissioners, of which 1 member shall be ap-  
4           pointed from each of the counties of Oconee, Pick-  
5           ens, Anderson, Abbeville, Greenwood, McCormick,  
6           Edgefield, Aiken, Barnwell, Orangeburg, Bamberg,  
7           Dorchester, Colleton, and Charleston of the State of  
8           South Carolina. The recommendations submitted by  
9           each county shall be based on recommendations  
10          from community visitor councils located within the  
11          county.

12          (4) One member with knowledge and experience  
13          in the field of historic preservation shall be ap-  
14          pointed from among recommendations submitted by  
15          the Director of the National Park Service.

16          (5) One member shall be appointed from among  
17          recommendations submitted by the South Carolina  
18          Downtown Development Association.

19          (c) PERIOD OF APPOINTMENT.—

20               (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
21               graph (2), each member of the Commission shall be  
22               appointed to serve a term of 3 years and, on expira-  
23               tion of a term, may be reappointed to serve for 1 or  
24               more additional terms.



1           (2) LIMITED APPOINTMENTS.—The members  
2           appointed under subsection (b) (2), (4), and (5)  
3           shall be appointed to serve a term of 2 years and,  
4           on expiration of a term, may be reappointed to serve  
5           for 1 or more additional terms.

6           (d) INITIAL APPOINTMENTS.—The Secretary shall  
7           appoint the initial members of the Commission not later  
8           than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

9           (e) VACANCIES.—A vacancy in the Commission shall  
10          be filled in the manner in which the initial appointment  
11          was made. A member of the Commission appointed to fill  
12          a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for  
13          which the initial member was appointed. A member of the  
14          Commission appointed for a definite term may serve after  
15          the expiration of the term until a successor is appointed.

16          (f) CHAIRPERSON.—The members of the Commission  
17          shall elect a Chairperson from among the members of the  
18          Commission. The Chairperson shall serve as Chairperson  
19          for the duration of the term for which the Chairperson  
20          was appointed.

21          (g) QUORUM.—A simple majority of Commission  
22          members shall constitute a quorum, but a lesser number  
23          may hold meetings. The affirmative vote of not less than  
24          11 members of the Commission shall be required to ap-  
25          prove the budget of the Commission.

1 (h) MEETINGS.—The Commission shall meet at least  
2 quarterly or at the call of the Chairperson or a majority  
3 of its members. Meetings of the Commission shall be sub-  
4 ject to section 552b of title 5, United States Code.

5 (i) PERSONNEL MATTERS.—

6 (1) COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS.—Each mem-  
7 ber of the Commission who is not an officer or em-  
8 ployee of the Federal Government shall serve with-  
9 out compensation. Each member of the Commission  
10 who is an officer or employee of the Federal Govern-  
11 ment shall serve without compensation in addition to  
12 compensation received for service as an officer or  
13 employee of the Federal Government.

14 (2) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—The members of the  
15 Commission, when engaged in Commission business,  
16 shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem  
17 in lieu of subsistence, at rates authorized for persons  
18 employed intermittently in the Government service  
19 under section 5703 of title 5, United States Code.

20 (j) STAFF.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may, with-  
22 out regard to civil service laws (including regula-  
23 tions), appoint and fix the compensation of such  
24 staff members as are necessary to enable the Com-  
25 mission to carry out its duties. The Commission may

1       appoint a Director and other officers as the Com-  
2       mission considers necessary or appropriate. The  
3       Commission may appoint to the staff such specialists  
4       as the Commission considers necessary or appro-  
5       priate to carry out the duties of the Commission,  
6       including specialists in the areas of planning, com-  
7       munity development, interpretive services, historic  
8       preservation, recreation, natural resources, com-  
9       merce and industry, education, financing, and public  
10      relations.

11           (2) COMPENSATION.—The Commission may fix  
12      the compensation of the Director and other staff  
13      members without regard to the provisions of chapter  
14      51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5,  
15      United States Code, relating to classification of posi-  
16      tions and General Schedule pay rates, except that no  
17      staff member may receive pay in excess of the an-  
18      nual rate payable for grade level GS-15 of the Gen-  
19      eral Schedule.

20           (k) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—Subject to such  
21      rules as the Commission may adopt, the Commission may  
22      procure temporary and intermittent services under section  
23      3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, at rates deter-  
24      mined by the Commission to be reasonable.

1 (l) **DETAIL OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.**—On re-  
2 quest of the Commission, the head of any Federal agency  
3 may detail, on a reimbursable basis, the personnel of the  
4 agency to the Commission to assist the Commission in car-  
5 rying out the duties of the Commission. The Commission  
6 may accept the services of personnel detailed from the  
7 State of South Carolina, or any political subdivision of the  
8 State, and may reimburse the State or political subdivision  
9 for the services.

10 (m) **ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.**—The Administrator  
11 of General Services shall provide such administrative sup-  
12 port services as the Commission may request, on a reim-  
13 bursable basis.

14 **SEC. 6. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.**

15 (a) **PUBLIC MEETINGS.**—The Commission may, for  
16 the purpose of carrying out this Act, hold such public  
17 meetings, sit and act at such times and places, take such  
18 testimony, and receive such evidence, as the Commission  
19 considers appropriate. The Commission may not issue sub-  
20 poenas or exercise subpoena authority.

21 (b) **BYLAWS.**—The Commission may make such by-  
22 laws, rules, and regulations, consistent with this Act, as  
23 the Commission considers necessary to carry out its func-  
24 tions under this Act.

1 (c) POWERS OF MEMBERS AND AGENTS.—Any mem-  
2 ber or agent of the Commission, if authorized by the Com-  
3 mission, may take any action that the Commission is au-  
4 thorized to take under this section.

5 (d) MAILS.—The Commission may use the United  
6 States mails in the same manner and under the same con-  
7 ditions as other departments and agencies of the United  
8 States.

9 (e) USE OF FUNDS TO OBTAIN MONEY.—The Com-  
10 mission may use its funds to obtain money from any  
11 source under any program or law requiring the recipient  
12 of the money to make a contribution in order to receive  
13 the money.

14 (f) RETENTION OF REVENUES.—The Commission  
15 may retain revenue from the sale or lease of any goods  
16 or services.

17 (g) GIFTS.—Notwithstanding any other law, the  
18 Commission may seek and accept gifts, bequests, and do-  
19 nations of funds, property, or services from private indi-  
20 viduals, foundations, corporations, and other private enti-  
21 ties, and from public entities for the purpose of carrying  
22 out its duties. For purposes of section 170(c) of the Inter-  
23 nal Revenue Code of 1986, any donation to the Commis-  
24 sion shall be considered to be a gift to the United States.

1 (h) ACQUISITION AND DISPOSITION OF REAL PROP-  
2 ERTY.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
4 graphs (2) and (3), the Commission may not acquire  
5 real property or an interest in real property.

6 (2) CONDITIONS FOR ACQUISITION.—Subject to  
7 paragraph (3), the Commission may acquire real  
8 property or an interest in real property in the Cor-  
9 ridor—

10 (A) by gift or devise;

11 (B) by purchase from a willing seller using  
12 donated or appropriated land acquisition funds;  
13 or

14 (C) by exchange.

15 (3) CONVEYANCE.—Any real property or inter-  
16 est in real property acquired by the Commission  
17 shall be conveyed by the Commission to an appro-  
18 priate public agency or private nonprofit organiza-  
19 tion, as determined by the Commission—

20 (A) as soon as practicable after the acqui-  
21 sition; and

22 (B) on the condition that the real property  
23 or interest in real property limits use of the  
24 property to uses that are consistent with this  
25 Act.

1           (4) DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY.—The Commission  
2           may, with approval of the Secretary, sell any real  
3           property or interest in real property acquired pursu-  
4           ant to paragraph (2) (A) or (B) and retain the reve-  
5           nue from the sale.

6           (i) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—For the purposes of  
7           implementing the Corridor Management Action Plan, the  
8           Commission may provide technical assistance to Federal  
9           agencies, the State of South Carolina, political subdivi-  
10          sions of the State, and persons (including corporations).

11          (j) ADVISORY GROUPS.—The Commission may estab-  
12          lish public technical advisory groups to assist the Commis-  
13          sion in carrying out the duties of the Commission with  
14          respect to the areas of economic development, historic  
15          preservation, natural resources, tourism, recreation and  
16          open space, and transportation. The Commission may es-  
17          tablish such additional advisory groups as are necessary  
18          to carry out the duties of the Commission and ensure open  
19          communication with and assistance from interested per-  
20          sons (including organizations), the State of South Caro-  
21          lina, and political subdivisions of the State.

22          (k) LOCAL AUTHORITY AND PRIVATE PROPERTY  
23          RIGHTS.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed to au-  
24          thorize the Commission to interfere with—

1 (1) the rights of any person with respect to pri-  
2 vate property; or

3 (2) any local land use ordinance or plan of the  
4 State of South Carolina or a political subdivision of  
5 the State.

6 **SEC. 7. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall exercise  
8 powers authorized by section 6 to coordinate activities of  
9 Federal, State, and local governments and private busi-  
10 nesses and organizations to further historic preservation,  
11 cultural conservation, natural area protection, soil con-  
12 servation, timber management, and economic development  
13 in a manner consistent with this Act and in accordance  
14 with the Corridor Management Action Plan developed  
15 under subsection (b).

16 (b) CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN.—

17 (1) PERIOD FOR DEVELOPMENT.—Not later  
18 than 18 months after the date on which the Com-  
19 mission conducts its first meeting, the Commission  
20 shall submit a Corridor Management Action Plan for  
21 the Corridor to the Secretary and to the Governor  
22 for review and approval.

23 (2) PLAN REQUIREMENTS.—The Corridor Man-  
24 agement Action Plan shall take into consideration  
25 State, county, and local plans existing on the date



1 on which the Corridor Management Action Plan is  
2 prepared. The Corridor Management Action Plan  
3 shall—

4 (A) provide an inventory that includes any  
5 real property in the Corridor that should be  
6 conserved, protected, preserved, restored, man-  
7 aged, developed, or maintained because of the  
8 natural, cultural, historic, recreational, or sce-  
9 nic significance of the property;

10 (B) provide an analysis of then current  
11 and potential land uses within the Corridor that  
12 affect the character of the Corridor;

13 (C) determine the boundaries of the Cor-  
14 ridor on the basis of the information collected  
15 pursuant to subparagraphs (A) and (B);

16 (D) recommend advisory standards and  
17 criteria applicable to the construction, preserva-  
18 tion, restoration, alteration, and use of real  
19 property of natural, cultural, historic, rec-  
20 reational, or scenic significance within the  
21 Corridor;

22 (E) include a heritage interpretation plan  
23 to interpret the resources and values of the  
24 Corridor and provide for appropriate edu-

1 cational, recreational, and tourism opportunities  
2 and development of the Corridor;

3 (F) identify the full range of public and  
4 private technical and financial assistance pro-  
5 grams available to implement the Corridor  
6 Management Action Plan and detail how appro-  
7 priate Federal, State, and local programs may  
8 best be coordinated to promote the purposes of  
9 this Act; and

10 (G) contain a coordinated implementation  
11 plan that—

12 (i) specifies the activities of Federal,  
13 State, and local governments in relation to  
14 the Corridor; and

15 (ii) includes cost estimates, schedules,  
16 and a commitment of resources for the ac-  
17 complishment of the implementation plan.

18 (c) APPROVAL OF PLAN.—

19 (1) APPROVAL BY GOVERNOR.—Not later than  
20 60 days after receiving a Corridor Management Ac-  
21 tion Plan submitted by the Commission under sub-  
22 section (b), the Governor shall approve or dis-  
23 approve the Corridor Management Action Plan.

24 (2) APPROVAL BY SECRETARY.—A Corridor  
25 Management Action Plan approved by the Governor

1 under paragraph (1) shall be submitted to the Sec-  
2 retary for approval or disapproval. Not later than 30  
3 days after receipt of the Corridor Management Ac-  
4 tion Plan, the Secretary shall approve or disapprove  
5 the Corridor Management Action Plan.

6 (3) CRITERIA FOR DECISION.—The Governor  
7 and the Secretary shall approve a Corridor Manage-  
8 ment Action Plan if—

9 (A) the Corridor Management Action Plan  
10 will adequately protect the significant natural,  
11 cultural, historic, recreational, and scenic re-  
12 source values and functions of the Corridor;

13 (B) the Commission has afforded adequate  
14 opportunity for public involvement in the prepa-  
15 ration of the Corridor Management Action  
16 Plan; and

17 (C) the Secretary and the Governor receive  
18 adequate assurances from appropriate officials  
19 of the State of South Carolina that the rec-  
20 ommended implementation program identified  
21 in the Corridor Management Action Plan will  
22 be initiated within a reasonable time after the  
23 date of approval of the Corridor Management  
24 Action Plan.

25 (d) DISAPPROVAL OF PLAN.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL—If the Secretary or the Gov-  
2           ernor disapproves a Corridor Management Action  
3           Plan, the Secretary or the Governor, as the case  
4           may be, shall—

5                   (A) advise the Commission in writing of  
6                   the reasons for the disapproval; and

7                   (B) recommend revisions to the Corridor  
8                   Management Action Plan.

9           (2) REVISION OF DISAPPROVED PLAN.—Not  
10          later than 90 days after the receipt of a notice of  
11          disapproval under paragraph (1), the Commission  
12          shall revise and resubmit the Corridor Management  
13          Action Plan for approval in accordance with sub-  
14          section (c).

15          (e) IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN.—

16                (1) IN GENERAL.—After the Secretary and the  
17                Governor review and approve a Corridor Manage-  
18                ment Action Plan, the Commission shall implement  
19                the Corridor Management Action Plan by taking ap-  
20                propriate steps to—

21                   (A) conserve, protect, restore, preserve,  
22                   and interpret the natural, cultural, and historic  
23                   resources of the Corridor;

24                   (B) promote the educational and rec-  
25                   reational resources and opportunities with re-

1 spect to the Corridor that are consistent with  
2 the resources of the Corridor; and

3 (C) support public and private efforts to  
4 achieve economic revitalization, in a manner  
5 consistent with the goals of the Corridor Man-  
6 agement Action Plan.

7 (2) STEPS.—The steps referred to in paragraph  
8 (1) may include—

9 (A) assisting State and local governmental  
10 entities and nonprofit organizations in planning  
11 and implementing programs, projects, or activi-  
12 ties in a manner consistent with this Act, in-  
13 cluding visitor use facilities, tour routes, and  
14 exhibits;

15 (B) encouraging, by appropriate means,  
16 enhanced economic development in the Corridor  
17 in a manner consistent with the goals of the  
18 Corridor Management Action Plan; and

19 (C) promoting public awareness and appre-  
20 ciation for historical, cultural, natural, rec-  
21 reational, and scenic resources and associated  
22 values of the Corridor.

23 (f) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

24 (1) REPORT OF THE COMMISSION.—As soon as  
25 practicable after the end of the first fiscal year in

1       which the Commission is established, and annually  
2       thereafter, the Commission shall submit a report to  
3       the Secretary. The report shall describe, for the fis-  
4       cal year that is the subject of the report—

5               (A) the expenses and income of the Com-  
6               mission; and

7               (B) a general description of the activities  
8               of the Commission.

9       (2) REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.—As soon as  
10       practicable after the date on which the Commission  
11       submits a report to the Secretary under paragraph  
12       (1), the Secretary shall submit a report to Congress  
13       that includes—

14              (A) for the fiscal year that is the subject  
15              of the report—

16                      (i) a description of the loans, grants,  
17                      and technical assistance provided by the  
18                      Secretary, and from other Federal and  
19                      non-Federal sources, to carry out this Act;  
20                      and

21                      (ii) an analysis of the adequacy of ac-  
22                      tions taken to carry out this Act; and

23              (B) a statement of the amount of funds  
24              and number of personnel that the Secretary an-  
25              ticipates will be made available to carry out this

1 Act for the fiscal year following the fiscal year  
2 that is the subject of the report.

3 **SEC. 8. TERMINATION OF THE COMMISSION.**

4 (a) TERMINATION.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in sub-  
6 section (b), the Commission shall terminate on the  
7 date that is 12 years after the date of enactment of  
8 this Act.

9 (2) TRANSFER OF PROPERTY.—Notwithstand-  
10 ing the Federal Property and Administrative Serv-  
11 ices Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 471 et seq.), any prop-  
12 erty or funds of the Commission remaining upon the  
13 expiration of the Commission shall be transferred by  
14 the Commission to the Secretary, to a State or local  
15 government agency, to a private nonprofit organiza-  
16 tion referred to in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal  
17 Revenue Code of 1986 that is exempt from income  
18 taxes under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue  
19 Code of 1986, or to any combination of the fore-  
20 going.

21 (b) EXTENSIONS.—The Commission may be extended  
22 for a period of not more than 5 years beginning on the  
23 date referred to in subsection (a) if, not later than 180  
24 days before that date—

1           (1) the Commission determines that an extension is necessary to carry out this Act;

2           (2) the Commission submits the proposed extension to the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate before the termination date; and

3           (3) the Secretary and the Governor approve the extension.

4           **SEC. 9. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.**

5           (a) ASSISTANCE.—On request of the Commission, and subject to the availability of funds appropriated specifically for the purpose, or made available on a reimbursable basis, the Secretary shall provide administrative, technical, financial, development, and operations assistance. The assistance may include—

6           (1) general administrative support in planning, finance, personnel, procurement, property management, environmental and historical compliance, and land acquisition;

7           (2) personnel;

8           (3) office space and equipment;

9           (4) planning and design services for visitor use facilities, trails, interpretive exhibits, publications, signs, and natural resource management;



1           (5) development and construction assistance, in-  
2           cluding visitor use facilities, trails, river use and ac-  
3           cess facilities, scenic byways, signs, waysides, and re-  
4           habilitation of historic structures; and

5           (6) operations functions, including interpreta-  
6           tion and visitor services, maintenance, and natural  
7           resource management services conducted within the  
8           boundaries of the Corridor.

9           (b) LOANS, GRANTS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREE-  
10          MENTS.—For the purposes of assisting in the development  
11          and implementation of the Corridor Management Action  
12          Plan, the Secretary may, in consultation with the Commis-  
13          sion, make loans and grants to, and enter into cooperative  
14          agreements with, the State of South Carolina (or a politi-  
15          cal subdivision of the State), private nonprofit organiza-  
16          tions, corporations, or other persons.

17          (c) LAND TRANSFERS.—The Secretary may accept  
18          transfers of real property from the Commission within the  
19          boundaries of the Corridor as established in the Corridor  
20          Management Action Plan.

21          **SEC. 10. DUTIES OF OTHER FEDERAL ENTITIES.**

22          Any Federal entity conducting or supporting activi-  
23          ties directly affecting the Corridor shall—

24                  (1) consult with the Secretary and the Commis-  
25                  sion with respect to such activities;

1           (2) cooperate with the Secretary and the Com-  
2 mission in carrying out their duties under this Act  
3 and, to the maximum extent practicable, coordinate  
4 those activities with the carrying out of those duties;  
5 and

6           (3) to the maximum extent practicable, conduct  
7 or support those activities in a manner that the  
8 Commission determines will not have an adverse ef-  
9 fect on the Corridor.

10 **SEC. 11. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

11           (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), there  
12 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are nec-  
13 essary to carry out this Act.

14           (b) COST SHARING.—

15           (1) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of  
16 the funding provided to the Commission to carry out  
17 this Act for any year may not exceed 50 percent of  
18 the total cost of—

19                   (A) the expenditures of the Commission for  
20 administrative matters for that year;

21                   (B) the expenditures of the Commission  
22 for the development and implementation of the  
23 Corridor Management Action Plan for that  
24 year; and

1                   (C) the expenditures of the Commission for  
2                   land acquisition for that year.

3                   (2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The non-Federal  
4                   share of the expenditures described in paragraph (1)  
5                   may be in the form of cash, services, or in-kind con-  
6                   tributions, fairly valued.

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