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**AN ACT**

To amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to expand the boundaries of the Corridor.

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; REFERENCE.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Herit-  
6 age Corridor Reauthorization Act of 1999”.

1 (b) REFERENCE.—Whenever in this Act a section or  
2 other provision is amended or repealed, such amendment  
3 or repeal shall be considered to be made to that section  
4 or other provision of the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers  
5 Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 (Public  
6 Law 103–449; 16 U.S.C. 461 note).

7 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

8 Section 102 of the Act is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “and the  
10 Commonwealth of Massachusetts” after “State of  
11 Connecticut”;

12 (2) by striking paragraph (2) and redesignating  
13 paragraphs (3) through (9) as paragraphs (2)  
14 through (8), respectively; and

15 (3) in paragraph (3) (as so redesignated), by  
16 inserting “New Haven,” after “Hartford,”.

17 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUINEBAUG AND SHETUCKET**

18 **RIVERS VALLEY NATIONAL HERITAGE COR-**

19 **RIDOR; PURPOSE.**

20 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Section 103(a) of the Act is  
21 amended by inserting “and the Commonwealth of Massa-  
22 chusetts” after “State of Connecticut”.

23 (b) PURPOSE.—Section 103(b) of the Act is amended  
24 to read as follows:

1       “(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this title to pro-  
2 vide assistance to the State of Connecticut and the Com-  
3 monwealth of Massachusetts, their units of local and re-  
4 gional government and citizens in the development and im-  
5 plementation of integrated natural, cultural, historic, sce-  
6 nic, recreational, land, and other resource management  
7 programs in order to retain, enhance, and interpret the  
8 significant features of the lands, water, structures, and  
9 history of the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley.”.

10 **SEC. 4. BOUNDARIES AND ADMINISTRATION.**

11       (a) BOUNDARIES.—Section 104(a) of the Act is  
12 amended—

13           (1) by inserting “Union,” after “Thompson,”;  
14       and

15           (2) by inserting after “Woodstock” the fol-  
16       lowing: “in the State of Connecticut, and the towns  
17       of Brimfield, Charlton, Dudley, E. Brookfield, Hol-  
18       land, Oxford, Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Webster  
19       in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which are  
20       contiguous areas in the Quinebaug and Shetucket  
21       Rivers Valley, related by shared natural, cultural,  
22       historic, and scenic resources”.

23       (b) ADMINISTRATION.—Section 104 of the Act is  
24 amended by adding at the end the following:

25       “(b) ADMINISTRATION.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—(A) The Corridor shall be  
2 managed by the management entity in accordance  
3 with the management plan, in consultation with the  
4 Governor and pursuant to a compact with the Sec-  
5 retary.

6           “(B) The management entity shall amend its  
7 by-laws to add the Governor of Connecticut (or the  
8 Governor’s designee) and the Governor of the Com-  
9 monwealth of Massachusetts (or the Governor’s des-  
10 ignee) as a voting members of its Board of Direc-  
11 tors.

12           “(C) The management entity shall provide the  
13 Governor with an annual report of its activities, pro-  
14 grams, and projects. An annual report prepared for  
15 any other purpose shall satisfy the requirements of  
16 this paragraph.

17           “(2) COMPACT.—To carry out the purposes of  
18 this Act, the Secretary shall enter into a compact  
19 with the management entity. The compact shall in-  
20 clude information relating to the objectives and man-  
21 agement of the Corridor, including, but not limited  
22 to, each of the following:

23                   “(A) A delineation of the boundaries of the  
24 Corridor.

1           “(B) A discussion of goals and objectives  
2 of the Corridor, including an explanation of the  
3 proposed approaches to accomplishing the goals  
4 set forth in the management plan.

5           “(C) A description of the role of the State  
6 of Connecticut and the Commonwealth of Mas-  
7 sachusetts.

8           “(3) AUTHORITIES OF MANAGEMENT ENTITY.—  
9 For the purpose of achieving the goals set forth in  
10 the management plan, the management entity may  
11 use Federal funds provided under this Act—

12           “(A) to make grants to the State of Con-  
13 necticut and the Commonwealth of Massachu-  
14 setts, their political subdivisions, nonprofit or-  
15 ganizations, and other persons;

16           “(B) to enter into cooperative agreements  
17 with or provide technical assistance to the State  
18 of Connecticut and the Commonwealth of Mas-  
19 sachusetts, their political subdivisions, nonprofit  
20 organizations, and other persons;

21           “(C) to hire and compensate staff; and

22           “(D) to contract for goods and services.

23           “(4) PROHIBITION ON ACQUISITION OF REAL  
24 PROPERTY.—The management entity may not use

1 Federal funds received under this Act to acquire real  
2 property or any interest in real property.”.

3 **SEC. 5. STATES CORRIDOR PLAN.**

4 Section 105 of the Act is amended—

5 (1) by striking subsections (a) and (b);

6 (2) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-  
7 section (a);

8 (3) in subsection (a) (as so redesignated)—

9 (A) by striking the first sentence and all  
10 that follows through “Governor,” and inserting  
11 the following: “The management entity shall  
12 implement the management plan. Upon request  
13 of the management entity,”; and

14 (B) in paragraph (5), by striking “identi-  
15 fied pursuant to the inventory required by sec-  
16 tion 5(a)(1)”;

17 (4) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(b) GRANTS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—For  
19 the purposes of implementing the management plan, the  
20 management entity may make grants or provide technical  
21 assistance to the State of Connecticut and the Common-  
22 wealth of Massachusetts, their political subdivisions, non-  
23 profit organizations, and other persons to further the  
24 goals set forth in the management plan.”.

1 **SEC. 6. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.**

2 Section 106 of the Act is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) by striking “Governor” each place it  
5 appears and inserting “management entity”;

6 (B) by striking “preparation and”; and

7 (C) by adding at the end the following:

8 “Such assistance shall include providing funds  
9 authorized under section 109 and technical as-  
10 sistance necessary to carry out this Act.”; and

11 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-  
12 lows:

13 “(b) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—The Secretary  
14 may not make any grants or provide any assistance under  
15 this Act after September 30, 2009.”.

16 **SEC. 7. DUTIES OF OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES.**

17 Section 107 of the Act is amended by striking “Gov-  
18 ernor” and inserting “management entity”.

19 **SEC. 8. DEFINITIONS.**

20 Section 108 of the Act is amended—

21 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting before the pe-  
22 riod the following: “and the Commonwealth of Mas-  
23 sachusetts”.

24 (2) in paragraph (3), by inserting before the pe-  
25 riod the following: “and the Governor of the Com-  
26 monwealth of Massachusetts”;

1           (3) in paragraph (5), by striking “each of” and  
2 all that follows and inserting the following: “the  
3 Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments,  
4 the Windham Regional Council of Governments, and  
5 the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Govern-  
6 ments in Connecticut, (or their successors), and the  
7 Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission and  
8 the Southern Worcester County Regional Planning  
9 Commission (or their successors) in Massachu-  
10 setts.”; and

11           (4) by adding at the end the following:

12           “(6) The term ‘management plan’ means the  
13 document approved by the Governor of the State of  
14 Connecticut on February 16, 1999, and adopted by  
15 the management entity, entitled ‘Vision to Reality: A  
16 Management Plan’, the management plan for the  
17 Corridor, as it may be amended or replaced from  
18 time to time.

19           “(7) The term ‘management entity’ means  
20 Quinebaug-Shetucket Heritage Corridor, Inc., a not-  
21 for-profit corporation (or its successor) incorporated  
22 in the State of Connecticut.”.

23 **SEC. 9. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24           Section 109 of the Act is amended to read as follows:



1 **“SEC. 109. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2       “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appro-  
3 priated under this title not more than \$1,000,000 for any  
4 fiscal year. Not more than a total of \$10,000,000 may  
5 be appropriated for the Corridor under this title after the  
6 date of the enactment of the Quinebaug and Shetucket  
7 Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Reauthorization  
8 Act of 1999.

9       “(b) 50 PERCENT MATCH.—Federal funding pro-  
10 vided under this title may not exceed 50 percent of the  
11 total cost of any assistance or grant provided or author-  
12 ized under this title.”.

13 **SEC. 10. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

14       (a) LONG TITLE.—The long title of the Act is amend-  
15 ed to read as follows: “An Act to establish the Quinebaug  
16 and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor  
17 in the State of Connecticut and the Commonwealth of  
18 Massachusetts, and for other purposes.”.

19       (b) HEADING.—The heading for section 110 of the  
20 Act is amended by striking “**SERVICE**” and inserting  
21 “**SYSTEM**”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 13,  
1999.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

*Clerk.*

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