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# S. 817

To amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide additional authorizations for certain National Heritage Areas, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. KERRY, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. GRAHAM) 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 amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide additional authorizations for certain National Heritage Areas, 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 “National Heritage  
5       Areas and National Heritage Corridors Technical Correc-  
6       tions Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. BOUNDARIES OF THE RIVERS OF STEEL NATIONAL**  
2 **HERITAGE AREA.**

3 Section 403(b) of the Steel Industry American Herit-  
4 age Area Act of 1996 (16 U.S.C. 461 note; Public Law  
5 104–333) is amended by inserting “Butler,” before “Fay-  
6 ette”.

7 **SEC. 3. OHIO & ERIE NATIONAL HERITAGE CANALWAY**  
8 **TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.**

9 The Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor  
10 Act of 1996 (16 U.S.C. 461 note; Public Law 104–333)  
11 is amended—

12 (1) by striking “Canal National Heritage Cor-  
13 ridor” each place it appears and inserting “National  
14 Heritage Canalway”;

15 (2) in section 803—

16 (A) by striking paragraph (2);

17 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4),  
18 (5), (6), and (7) as paragraphs (2), (3), (4),  
19 (5), and (6), respectively;

20 (C) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by  
21 subparagraph (B)), by striking “808” and in-  
22 serting “806”; and

23 (D) in paragraph (6) (as redesignated by  
24 subparagraph (B)), by striking “807(a)” and  
25 inserting “805(a)”;

1           (3) in the second sentence of section 804(b)(1),  
2           by striking “808” and inserting “806”;

3           (4) by striking sections 805 and 806;

4           (5) by redesignating sections 807, 808, 809,  
5           810, 811, and 812 as sections 805, 806, 807, 808,  
6           809, and 810, respectively;

7           (6) in section 805(c)(2) (as redesignated by  
8           paragraph (5)), by striking “808” and inserting  
9           “806”;

10          (7) in section 806 (as redesignated by para-  
11          graph (5))—

12                 (A) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “Com-  
13                 mittee” and inserting “Secretary”;

14                 (B) in subsection (a)(3)—

15                         (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
16                         “from the Committee”; and

17                         (ii) in the first sentence of subpara-  
18                         graph (B), by striking “Committee” and  
19                         inserting “management entity”;

20                 (C) in subsection (e), by striking  
21                 “807(d)(1)” and inserting “805(d)(1)”; and

22                 (D) in subsection (f), by striking  
23                 “807(d)(1)” and inserting “805(d)(1)”; and

24          (8) in section 808 (as redesignated by para-  
25          graph (5))—

1 (A) in subsection (b), by striking “Com-  
2 mittee or”; and

3 (B) in subsection (c), in the matter before  
4 paragraph (1), by striking “Committee” and in-  
5 serting “management entity”.

6 **SEC. 4. DELAWARE AND LEHIGH NATIONAL HERITAGE COR-**  
7 **RIDOR LOCAL COORDINATING ENTITY.**

8 The Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Cor-  
9 ridor Act of 1988 (16 U.S.C. 461 note; Public Law 100-  
10 692) is amended—

11 (1) in section 9, by adding at the end the fol-  
12 lowing:

13 “(c) CORPORATION AS LOCAL MANAGEMENT ENTI-  
14 TY.—Beginning on the date of enactment of this sub-  
15 section, the Corporation shall be the local coordinating en-  
16 tity for the Corridor.

17 “(d) IMPLEMENTATION OF MANAGEMENT PLAN.—  
18 The Corporation shall assume the duties of the Commis-  
19 sion for the implementation of the Plan.

20 “(e) USE OF FUNDS.—The Corporation may use  
21 Federal funds made available under this Act—

22 “(1) to make grants to, and enter into coopera-  
23 tive agreements with, the Federal Government, the  
24 Commonwealth, political subdivisions of the Com-  
25 monwealth, nonprofit organizations, and individuals;

1           “(2) to hire, train, and compensate staff; and

2           “(3) to enter into contracts for goods and serv-  
3       ices.

4       “(f) RESTRICTION ON USE OF FUNDS.—The Cor-  
5       poration may not use Federal funds made available under  
6       this Act to acquire land or an interest in land.”;

7           (2) in section 10—

8           (A) in the first sentence of subsection (c),  
9           by striking “shall assist the Commission” and  
10          inserting “shall, on the request of the Corpora-  
11          tion, assist”;

12          (B) in subsection (d)—

13           (i) by striking “Commission” each  
14           place it appears and inserting “Corpora-  
15           tion”;

16           (ii) by striking “The Secretary” and  
17           inserting the following:

18          “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”; and

19           (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
20          lowing:

21          “(2) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Sec-  
22          retary may enter into cooperative agreements with  
23          the Corporation and other public or private entities  
24          for the purpose of providing technical assistance and  
25          grants under paragraph (1).

1           “(3) PRIORITY.—In providing assistance to the  
2 Corporation under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
3 shall give priority to activities that assist in—

4           “(A) conserving the significant natural,  
5 historic, cultural, and scenic resources of the  
6 Corridor; and

7           “(B) providing educational, interpretive,  
8 and recreational opportunities consistent with  
9 the purposes of the Corridor.”; and

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

11           “(e) TRANSITION MEMORANDUM OF UNDER-  
12 STANDING.—The Secretary shall enter into a memo-  
13 randum of understanding with the Corporation to en-  
14 sure—

15           “(1) appropriate transition of the local manage-  
16 ment to the Corporation; and

17           “(2) coordination with the Corporation regard-  
18 ing the implementation of the Plan.”;

19           (3) in section 12—

20           (A) in subsection (a), by striking “Com-  
21 mission” each place it appears and inserting  
22 “Corporation”;

23           (B) in subsection (c)(1), by striking  
24 “2007” and inserting “2012”; and

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

1 “(d) TERMINATION OF ASSISTANCE.—The authority  
2 of the Secretary to provide assistance under this Act ter-  
3 minates on the date that is 5 years after the date of enact-  
4 ment of this subsection.”; and

5 (4) in section 14—

6 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (4), (5),  
7 and (6) as paragraphs (5), (6), and (7), respec-  
8 tively; and

9 (B) by inserting after paragraph (3) the  
10 following:

11 “(4) the term ‘Corporation’ means the Dela-  
12 ware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor, Incor-  
13 porated, an organization described in section  
14 501(c)(3), and exempt from Federal tax under sec-  
15 tion 501(a), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;”.

16 **SEC. 5. ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**  
17 **FOR CERTAIN NATIONAL HERITAGE AREAS**  
18 **AND NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDORS.**

19 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Division  
20 II of the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management  
21 Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4243) is  
22 amended in sections 409(a), 508(a), 608(a), and 810(a)  
23 (as redesignated by section (3)(a)(5)), by striking  
24 “\$10,000,000” each place it appears and inserting  
25 “\$15,000,000”.

1 (b) EVALUATIONS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years be-  
3 fore the date on which authority for Federal funding  
4 terminates for each of the Ohio & Erie Canal Na-  
5 tional Heritage Corridor, the Rivers Of Steel Na-  
6 tional Heritage Area, the Essex National Heritage  
7 Area, and the South Carolina National Heritage  
8 Corridor, the Secretary of the Interior shall conduct  
9 an evaluation of, and prepare a report on, the ac-  
10 complishments of the applicable national heritage  
11 area.

12 (2) COMPONENTS.—An evaluation prepared  
13 under paragraph (1) shall—

14 (A) assess the progress of the management  
15 entity with respect to—

16 (i) accomplishing the purposes of the  
17 authorizing legislation for the national her-  
18 itage area; and

19 (ii) achieving the goals and objectives  
20 of the approved management plan or herit-  
21 age plan for the national heritage area;

22 (B) analyze the Federal, State, local, and  
23 private investments in the national heritage  
24 area to determine the leverage and impact of  
25 the investments;

1 (C) review the management structure,  
2 partnership relationships, and funding of the  
3 national heritage area for purposes of identi-  
4 fying the critical components for the sustain-  
5 ability of the national heritage area; and

6 (D) recommend what the role, if any, of  
7 the National Park Service should be with re-  
8 spect to the national heritage area.

9 (3) REQUIRED ANALYSIS.—If a report prepared  
10 under paragraph (1) recommends that Federal fund-  
11 ing for the national heritage area be reauthorized,  
12 the report shall include an analysis of—

13 (A) ways in which Federal funding for the  
14 national heritage area may be reduced or elimi-  
15 nated; and

16 (B) the appropriate time period necessary  
17 to achieve the recommended reduction or elimi-  
18 nation.

19 (4) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—On completion  
20 of a report under this subsection, the Secretary of  
21 the Interior shall submit the report to—

22 (A) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
23 Resources of the Senate; and

1 (B) the Committee on Natural Resources  
2 of the House of Representatives.

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