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H. R. 2383

To reauthorize the Cane River National Heritage Area Commission and expand the boundaries of the Cane River National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 13, 2009

Mr. FLEMING introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural 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 “Cane River National
5 Heritage Area Reauthorization Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. CANE RIVER NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.**

7 (a) BOUNDARIES.—Section 401 of the Cane River
8 Creole National Historical Park and National Heritage
9 Area Act (16 U.S.C. 410ccc–21) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” at
3 the end;

4 (B) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
5 paragraph (6); and

6 (C) by inserting after paragraph (3) the
7 following:

8 “(4) fostering compatible economic develop-
9 ment;

10 “(5) enhancing the quality of life for local resi-
11 dents; and”; and

12 (2) in subsection (c), by striking paragraphs (1)
13 through (6) and inserting the following:

14 “(1) the area generally depicted on the map en-
15 titled ‘Revised Boundary of Cane National Heritage
16 Area Louisiana’, numbered 494/80021, and dated
17 May 2008;

18 “(2) the Fort Jesup State Historic Site; and

19 “(3) as satellite site, any properties connected
20 with the prehistory, history, or cultures of the Cane
21 River region that may be the subject of cooperative
22 agreements with the Cane River National Heritage
23 Area Commission or any successor to the Commis-
24 sion.”.

1 (b) CANE RIVER NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA COM-
2 MISSION.—Section 402 of the Cane River Creole National
3 Historical Park and National Heritage Area Act (16
4 U.S.C. 410ccc-22) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (b)—

6 (A) by striking “19” and inserting “23”;

7 (B) in paragraph (4), by inserting “the
8 Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission and
9 other” before “local”;

10 (C) in paragraph (7), by striking “Concern
11 Citizens of Cloutierville” and inserting “Village
12 of Cloutierville”;

13 (D) in paragraph (13), by striking “are
14 landowners in and residents of” and inserting
15 “own land within the heritage area”;

16 (E) in paragraph (16)—

17 (i) by striking “one member” and in-
18 serting “2 members”; and

19 (ii) by striking “and” at the end; and

20 (F) by redesignating paragraph (17) as
21 paragraph (19); and

22 (G) by inserting after paragraph (16) the
23 following:

24 “(17) 2 members, 1 of whom represents Afri-
25 can-American culture and 1 of whom represents

1 Cane River Creole culture, after consideration of rec-
2 ommendations submitted by the Governor of Lou-
3 isiana;

4 “(18) 1 member with knowledge of tourism,
5 after consideration of recommendations by the Sec-
6 retary of the Louisiana Department of Culture,
7 Recreation and Tourism; and”.

8 (2) in subsection (c)(4), by striking “, such as
9 a non-profit corporation,”;

10 (3) in subsection (d)—

11 (A) in paragraph (5), by striking “for re-
12 search, historic preservation, and education
13 purposes” and inserting “to further the pur-
14 poses of title III and this title”;

15 (B) in paragraph (6), by striking “the
16 preparation of studies that identify, preserve,
17 and plan for the management of the heritage
18 area” and inserting “carrying out projects or
19 programs that further the purposes of title III
20 and this title”; and

21 (C) by striking paragraph (8) and insert-
22 ing the following:

23 “(8) develop, or assist others in developing,
24 projects or programs to further the purposes of title
25 III and this title;” and

1 (4) in the third sentence of subsection (g), by
2 inserting “, except that if any of the organizations
3 specified in subsection (b) ceases to exist, the va-
4 cancy shall be filled with an at-large member” after
5 “made”.

6 (c) PREPARATION OF THE PLAN.—Section 403 of the
7 Cane River Creole National Historical Park and National
8 Heritage Area Act (16 U.S.C. 410ccc–23) is amended by
9 adding at the end the following:

10 “(d) AMENDMENTS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An amendment to the man-
12 agement plan that substantially alters the purposes
13 of the heritage area shall be reviewed by the Sec-
14 retary and approved or disapproved in the same
15 manner as the management plan.

16 “(2) IMPLEMENTATION.—The local coordi-
17 nating entity shall not use Federal funds made avail-
18 able under this title to implement an amendment to
19 the management plan until the Secretary approves
20 the amendment.”.

21 (d) TERMINATION OF HERITAGE AREA COMMIS-
22 SION.—Section 404 of the Cane River Creole National
23 Historical Park and National Heritage Area Act (16
24 U.S.C. 410ccc–24) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “the day oc-
2 curring 10 years after the first official meeting of
3 the Commission” and inserting “August 5, 2025”;
4 and

5 (2) in the third sentence of subsection (c), by
6 striking “, including the potential for a nonprofit
7 corporation,”.

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