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# H. R. 3726

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Resources

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## AN ACT

To establish the Castle Nugent National Historic Site at  
St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Castle Nugent Na-  
3 tional Historic Site Establishment Act of 2010”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) HISTORIC SITE.—The term “historic site”  
7 means the Castle Nugent National Historic Site es-  
8 tablished in section 3.

9 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
10 the Secretary of the Interior.

11 **SEC. 3. CASTLE NUGENT NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.**

12 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established as a unit  
13 of the National Park System the Castle Nugent National  
14 Historic Site on the Island of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Is-  
15 lands, in order to preserve, protect, and interpret, for the  
16 benefit of present and future generations, a Caribbean cul-  
17 tural landscape that spans more than 300 years of agricul-  
18 tural use, significant archeological resources, mangrove  
19 forests, endangered sea turtle nesting beaches, an exten-  
20 sive barrier coral reef system, and other outstanding nat-  
21 ural features.

22 (b) BOUNDARIES.—The historic site consists of the  
23 approximately 2,900 acres of land extending from Lowrys  
24 Hill and Laprey Valley to the Caribbean Sea and from  
25 Manchenil Bay to Great Pond, along with associated sub-  
26 merged lands to the three-mile territorial limit, as gen-

1 erally depicted on the map titled “Castle Nugent National  
2 Historic Site Proposed Boundary Map”, numbered T22/  
3 100,447, and dated October 2009.

4 (c) MAP AVAILABILITY.—The map referred to in sub-  
5 section (b) shall be on file and available for public inspec-  
6 tion in the appropriate offices of the National Park Serv-  
7 ice, Department of the Interior.

8 (d) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
10 graph (2), the Secretary is authorized to acquire  
11 lands and interests in lands within the boundaries of  
12 the historic site by donation, purchase with donated  
13 or appropriated funds, or exchange.

14 (2) U.S. VIRGIN ISLAND LANDS.—The Sec-  
15 retary is authorized to acquire lands and interests in  
16 lands owned by the U.S. Virgin Islands or any polit-  
17 ical subdivision thereof only by donation or ex-  
18 change.

19 **SEC. 4. ADMINISTRATION.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall administer  
21 the historic site in accordance with this Act and with laws  
22 generally applicable to units of the National Park System,  
23 including—

24 (1) the National Park Service Organic Act (39  
25 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.); and

1           (2) the Act of August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666;  
2           16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

3           (b) SHARED RESOURCES.—To the greatest extent  
4 practicable, the Secretary shall use the resources of other  
5 sites administered by the National Park Service on the  
6 Island of St. Croix to administer the historic site.

7           (c) CONTINUED USE.—In order to maintain an im-  
8 portant feature of the cultural landscape of the historic  
9 site, the Secretary may lease to the University of the Vir-  
10 gin Islands certain lands within the boundary of the his-  
11 toric site for the purpose of continuing the university’s op-  
12 eration breeding Senepol cattle, a breed developed on St.  
13 Croix. A lease under this subsection shall contain such  
14 terms and conditions as the Secretary considers appro-  
15 priate, including those necessary to protect the values of  
16 the historic site.

17           (d) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—Not later than three years  
18 after funds are made available for this subsection, the Sec-  
19 retary shall prepare a general management plan for the  
20 historic site.

Passed the House of Representatives January 27,  
2010.

Attest:                           LORRAINE C. MILLER,  
*Clerk.*