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H. R. 176

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 2015

Mr. WOMACK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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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 “Local Organization
5 Cooperative Agreement for Land and Facility Mainte-
6 nance Act of 2015” or the “LOCAL Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. CHALLENGE COST-SHARING PROGRAM FOR MAN-**
2 **AGEMENT OF RECREATION FACILITIES.**

3 Section 225 of the Water Resources Development Act
4 of 1992 (33 U.S.C. 2328) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
6 section (d); and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(c) USER FEES.—

10 “(1) COLLECTION OF FEES.—The Secretary
11 may permit a non-Federal public or private entity
12 that has entered into an agreement pursuant to sub-
13 section (b) to collect user fees for the use of devel-
14 oped recreation sites and facilities, whether devel-
15 oped or constructed by such entity or the Depart-
16 ment of the Army.

17 “(2) USE OF FEES.—A non-Federal public or
18 private entity collecting user fees pursuant to para-
19 graph (1) may—

20 “(A) retain up to 100 percent of the fees
21 collected, as determined by the Secretary; and

22 “(B) use that amount, as approved by the
23 Secretary, for operation, maintenance, and
24 management at the recreation site where col-
25 lected, notwithstanding section 210(b)(4) of the

1 Flood Control Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. 460d–
2 3(b)(4)).

3 “(3) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The authority
4 of a non-Federal public or private entity under this
5 subsection shall be subject to such terms and condi-
6 tions as the Secretary determines necessary to pro-
7 tect the interests of the United States.”.

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