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To establish the Long Island Sound Stewardship Initiative.

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Mr. SIMMONS (for himself, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. SHAYS, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. NADLER, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. WALSH, Mrs. MALONEY, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. WEINER, Mr. OWENS, Mr. HIGGINS, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. GILCHREST, and Mrs. KELLY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To establish the Long Island Sound Stewardship Initiative.

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 “Long Island Sound
5 Stewardship Act of 2006”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

1 (1) Long Island Sound is a national treasure of
2 great cultural, environmental, and ecological impor-
3 tance;

4 (2) 8,000,000 people live within the Long Is-
5 land Sound watershed and 28,000,000 people (ap-
6 proximately 10 percent of the population of the
7 United States) live within 50 miles of Long Island
8 Sound;

9 (3) activities that depend on the environmental
10 health of Long Island Sound contribute more than
11 \$5,000,000,000 each year to the regional economy;

12 (4) the portion of the shoreline of Long Island
13 Sound that is accessible to the general public (esti-
14 mated at less than 20 percent of the total shoreline)
15 is not adequate to serve the needs of the people liv-
16 ing in the area;

17 (5) existing shoreline facilities are in many
18 cases overburdened and underfunded;

19 (6) large parcels of open space already in public
20 ownership are strained by the effort to balance the
21 demand for recreation with the needs of sensitive
22 natural resources;

23 (7) approximately $\frac{1}{3}$ of the tidal marshes of
24 Long Island Sound have been filled, and much of
25 the remaining marshes have been ditched, dyked, or

1 impounded, reducing the ecological value of the
2 marshes; and

3 (8) much of the remaining exemplary natural
4 landscape is vulnerable to further development.

5 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to estab-
6 lish the Long Island Sound Stewardship Initiative to iden-
7 tify, protect, and enhance sites within the Long Island
8 Sound ecosystem with significant ecological, educational,
9 open space, public access, or recreational value through
10 a bi-State network of sites best exemplifying these values.

11 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

12 In this Act, the following definitions apply:

13 (1) ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT.—The term
14 “adaptive management” means a scientific proc-
15 ess—

16 (A) for—

17 (i) developing predictive models;

18 (ii) making management policy deci-
19 sions based upon the model outputs;

20 (iii) revising the management policies
21 as data become available with which to
22 evaluate the policies; and

23 (iv) acknowledging uncertainty, com-
24 plexity, and variance in the spatial and
25 temporal aspects of natural systems; and

1 (B) that requires that management be
2 viewed as experimental.

3 (2) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-
4 trator” means the Administrator of the Environ-
5 mental Protection Agency.

6 (3) ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The term “Advi-
7 sory Committee” means the Long Island Sound
8 Stewardship Advisory Committee established by sec-
9 tion 5(a).

10 (4) POLICY COMMITTEE.— The term “policy
11 committee” means the decisionmaking body of the
12 Long Island Sound Study Management Conference
13 established under section 320 of the Federal Water
14 Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1330).

15 (5) REGION.—The term “Region” means the
16 Long Island Sound Stewardship Initiative Region es-
17 tablished by section 4(a).

18 (6) STATE.—The term “State” means the
19 States of Connecticut and New York.

20 (7) STEWARDSHIP.—The term ‘stewardship’
21 means land acquisition, land conservation agree-
22 ments, site planning, plan implementation, land and
23 habitat management, public access improvements,
24 site monitoring, and other activities designed to en-

1 hance and preserve natural resource-based recre-
2 ation and ecological function.

3 (8) STEWARDSHIP SITE.—The term “steward-
4 ship site” means a site that—

5 (A) qualifies for identification by the Advi-
6 sory Committee under section 8; and

7 (B) is an area of land—

8 (i) that is in the Region; and

9 (ii) that is—

10 (I) Federal, State, local, or tribal
11 land;

12 (II) land owned by a nonprofit
13 organization; or

14 (III) privately owned land.

15 (9) SYSTEMATIC SITE SELECTION.—The term
16 “systematic site selection” means a process of select-
17 ing stewardship sites that—

18 (A) has explicit goals, methods, and cri-
19 teria;

20 (B) produces feasible, repeatable, and de-
21 fensible results;

22 (C) provides for consideration of natural,
23 physical, and biological patterns;

1 (D) addresses replication, connectivity,
2 species viability, location, and public recreation
3 values;

4 (E) uses geographic information systems
5 technology and algorithms to integrate selection
6 criteria; and

7 (F) will result in achieving the goals of
8 stewardship site selection at the lowest cost.

9 (10) QUALIFIED APPLICANTS.—The term
10 ‘qualified applicant’ means a person or governmental
11 entity applying for designation of a site as a stew-
12 ardship site. The person or entity must own prop-
13 erty within the borders of the proposed stewardship
14 site or own property that is both physically or eco-
15 logically connected to the proposed site and would
16 benefit from management as part of the proposed
17 site.

18 (11) THREAT.—The term “threat” means a
19 threat that is likely to destroy or seriously degrade
20 a conservation target or a recreation area.

21 **SEC. 4. LONG ISLAND SOUND STEWARDSHIP INITIATIVE**
22 **REGION.**

23 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
24 States the Long Island Sound Stewardship Initiative Re-
25 gion.

1 (b) BOUNDARIES.—The Region shall encompass the
2 immediate coastal upland areas along Long Island Sound
3 between mean high water and the inland boundary, as de-
4 scribed on the map entitled the “Long Island Sound Stew-
5 ards-ship Region” and dated April 21, 2004, and the
6 Peconic Estuary as described on the map entitled
7 “Peconic Estuary Program Study Area Boundaries” in-
8 cluded in the Comprehensive Conservation and Manage-
9 ment Plan for the Peconic Estuary Program and dated
10 November 15, 2001.

11 **SEC. 5. LONG ISLAND SOUND STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY**
12 **COMMITTEE.**

13 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a com-
14 mittee to be known as the “Long Island Sound Steward-
15 ship Advisory Committee”.

16 (b) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the Advisory
17 Committee shall be the Director of the Long Island Sound
18 Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, or a des-
19 ignee of the Director.

20 (c) MEMBERSHIP.—

21 (1) COMPOSITION.—

22 (A) APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS.—

23 (i) IN GENERAL.—The Chairperson
24 shall appoint the members of the Advisory
25 Committee in accordance with this sub-

1 section and section 320(c) of the Federal
2 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
3 1330(c)); except that the Governor of a
4 State may appoint 2 members of the Advi-
5 sory Committee.

6 (ii) ADDITIONAL MEMBERS.—In addi-
7 tion to the requirements described in
8 clause (i), the Advisory Committee shall in-
9 clude—

10 (I) a representative from the Re-
11 gional Plan Association;

12 (II) a representative of the ma-
13 rine trade organizations; and

14 (III) a representative of private
15 landowner interests.

16 (B) REPRESENTATION.—In appointing
17 members to the Advisory Committee, the Chair-
18 person shall consider—

19 (i) Federal, State, and local govern-
20 ment interests;

21 (ii) the interests of nongovernmental
22 organizations;

23 (iii) academic interests;

24 (iv) private interests; and

1 (v) recreational and commercial fish-
2 ing interests.

3 (2) DATE OF APPOINTMENTS.—Not later than
4 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the
5 appointment of all members of the Advisory Com-
6 mittee shall be made.

7 (d) TERM; VACANCIES.—

8 (1) TERM.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—A member shall be ap-
10 pointed for a term of 4 years.

11 (B) MULTIPLE TERMS.—A person may be
12 appointed as a member of the Advisory Com-
13 mittee for more than 1 term.

14 (2) VACANCIES.—A vacancy on the Advisory
15 Committee shall—

16 (A) be filled not later than 90 days after
17 the vacancy occurs;

18 (B) not affect the powers of the Advisory
19 Committee; and

20 (C) be filled in the same manner as the
21 original appointment was made.

22 (3) STAFF.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Chairperson of the
24 Advisory Committee may appoint and terminate
25 personnel as necessary to enable the Advisory

1 Committee to perform the duties of the Advi-
2 sory Committee.

3 (B) PERSONNEL AS FEDERAL EMPLOY-
4 EES.—

5 (i) IN GENERAL.—Any personnel of
6 the Advisory Committee who are employees
7 of the Advisory Committee shall be em-
8 ployees under section 2105 of title 5,
9 United States Code, for purposes of chap-
10 ters 63, 81, 83, 84, 85, 87, 89, and 90 of
11 that title.

12 (ii) MEMBERS OF ADVISORY COM-
13 MITTEE.—Clause (i) does not apply to
14 members of the Advisory Committee.

15 (e) INITIAL MEETING.—Not later than 30 days after
16 the date on which all members of the Advisory Committee
17 have been appointed, the Advisory Committee shall hold
18 the initial meeting of the Advisory Committee.

19 (f) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Committee shall meet
20 at the call of the Chairperson, but no fewer than 4 times
21 each year.

22 (g) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of the Ad-
23 visory Committee shall constitute a quorum, but a lesser
24 number of members may hold hearings.

1 **SEC. 6. DUTIES OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

2 The Advisory Committee shall—

3 (1) consistent with the guidelines described in
4 section 8 of this Act—

5 (A) evaluate applications from government
6 or nonprofit organizations qualified to hold con-
7 servation easements for funds to purchase land
8 or development rights for stewardship sites;

9 (B) evaluate applications to develop and
10 implement management plans to address
11 threats;

12 (C) evaluate applications to act on oppor-
13 tunities to protect and enhance stewardship
14 sites; and

15 (D) recommend that the Administrator
16 award grants to qualified applicants;

17 (2) develop recommended guidelines, criteria,
18 schedules, and due dates for evaluating information
19 to identify stewardship sites that fulfill terms of a
20 multi-year management plan;

21 (3) publish a list of sites that further the pur-
22 poses of this Act if owners of sites are—

23 (A) notified prior to the publication of the
24 list; and

25 (B) allowed to decline inclusion on the list;

1 (4) raise awareness of the values of and threats
2 to these sites; and

3 (5) leverage additional resources for improved
4 stewardship of the Region.

5 **SEC. 7. POWERS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

6 (a) **HEARINGS.**—The Advisory Committee may hold
7 such hearings, meet and act at such times and places, take
8 such testimony, and receive such evidence as the Advisory
9 Committee considers advisable to carry out this Act.

10 (b) **INFORMATION FROM FEDERAL AGENCIES.**—

11 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Advisory Committee
12 may secure directly from a Federal agency such in-
13 formation as the Advisory Committee considers nec-
14 essary to carry out this Act.

15 (2) **PROVISION OF INFORMATION.**—

16 (A) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to subpara-
17 graph (C), on request of the Chairperson of the
18 Advisory Committee, the head of a Federal
19 agency shall provide the information requested
20 by the Chairperson to the Advisory Committee.

21 (B) **ADMINISTRATION.**—The furnishing of
22 information by a Federal agency to the Advi-
23 sory Committee shall not be considered a waiver
24 of any exemption available to the agency under
25 section 552 of title 5, United States Code.

1 (C) INFORMATION TO BE KEPT CONFIDEN-
2 TIAL.—

3 (i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of
4 section 1905 of title 18, United States
5 Code—

6 (I) the Advisory Committee shall
7 be considered an agency of the Fed-
8 eral Government; and

9 (II) any individual employed by
10 an individual, entity, or organization
11 that is a party to a contract with the
12 Advisory Committee under this Act
13 shall be considered an employee of the
14 Advisory Committee.

15 (ii) PROHIBITION ON DISCLOSURE.—
16 Information obtained by the Advisory
17 Committee, other than information that is
18 available to the public, shall not be dis-
19 closed to any person in any manner except
20 to an employee of the Advisory Committee
21 as described in clause (i) for the purpose
22 of receiving, reviewing, or processing the
23 information.

24 (c) POSTAL SERVICES.—The Advisory Committee
25 may use the United States mails in the same manner and

1 under the same conditions as other agencies of the Federal
2 Government.

3 (d) DONATIONS.—The Advisory Committee may (1)
4 accept, use, and dispose of donations from willing land-
5 owners of property, or (2) help facilitate the transfer or
6 donations from willing landowners of property to a recipi-
7 ent eligible accept to real property and conservation ease-
8 ments as a charitable contribution under section 170 of
9 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, if such donations ad-
10 vance the goals of the Long Island Sound Stewardship Ini-
11 tiative.

12 **SEC. 8. STEWARDSHIP SITES.**

13 (a) INITIAL SITES.—

14 (1) IDENTIFICATION.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Com-
16 mittee shall identify 20 initial Long Island
17 Sound stewardship sites that the Advisory Com-
18 mittee has determined—

19 (i)(I) are natural resource-based
20 recreation areas; or

21 (II) are exemplary natural areas with
22 ecological value; and

23 (ii) best promote the purposes of this
24 Act.

1 (B) EXEMPTION.—Sites described in sub-
2 paragraph (A) are not subject to the site identi-
3 fication process described in subsection (d).

4 (2) EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR
5 INITIAL SITES.—In identifying initial sites under
6 paragraph (1), the Advisory Committee shall exert
7 due diligence to recommend an equitable distribution
8 of funds between the States for the initial sites.

9 (b) APPLICATION FOR IDENTIFICATION AS A STEW-
10 ARDSHIP SITE.—Subsequent to the identification of the
11 initial stewardship sites under subsection (a), owners of
12 sites may submit applications to the Advisory Committee
13 in accordance with subsection (c) to have the sites identi-
14 fied as stewardship sites.

15 (c) IDENTIFICATION.—The Advisory Committee shall
16 review applications submitted by owners of potential stew-
17 ardship sites to determine whether the sites should be
18 identified as exhibiting values consistent with the purposes
19 of this Act.

20 (d) SITE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS.—

21 (1) NATURAL RESOURCE-BASED RECREATION
22 AREAS.—The Advisory Committee shall identify ad-
23 ditional recreation areas with potential as steward-
24 ship sites using a selection technique that includes—

25 (A) public access;

- 1 (B) community support;
- 2 (C) areas with high population density;
- 3 (D) environmental justice (as defined in
- 4 section 385.3 of title 33, Code of Federal Regu-
- 5 lations (or successor regulations));
- 6 (E) connectivity to existing protected areas
- 7 and open spaces;
- 8 (F) cultural, historic, and scenic areas; and
- 9 (G) other criteria developed by the Advi-
- 10 sory Committee.

11 (2) NATURAL AREAS WITH ECOLOGICAL

12 VALUE.—The Advisory Committee shall identify ad-

13 ditional natural areas with ecological value and po-

14 tential as stewardship sites—

15 (A) based on measurable conservation tar-

16 gets for the Region; and

17 (B) following a process for prioritizing new

18 sites using systematic site selection, which shall

19 include—

- 20 (i) ecological uniqueness;
- 21 (ii) species viability;
- 22 (iii) habitat heterogeneity;
- 23 (iv) size;
- 24 (v) quality;

- 1 (vi) connectivity to existing protected
2 areas and open spaces;
3 (vii) land cover;
4 (viii) scientific, research, or edu-
5 cational value;
6 (ix) threats; and
7 (x) other criteria developed by the Ad-
8 visory Committee.

9 (3) PUBLICATION OF LIST.—After completion
10 of the site identification process, the Advisory Com-
11 mittee shall—

12 (A) publish in the Federal Register a list
13 of sites that further the purposes of this Act;
14 and

15 (B) prior to publication of the list, provide
16 to owners of the sites to be published—

- 17 (i) a notification of publication; and
18 (ii) an opportunity to decline inclusion
19 of the site of the owner on the list.

20 (4) DEVIATION FROM PROCESS.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Com-
22 mittee may identify as a potential stewardship
23 site, a site that does not meet the criteria in
24 paragraph (1) or (2), or reject a site selected

1 under paragraph (1) or (2), if the Advisory
2 Committee—

3 (i) selects a site that makes signifi-
4 cant ecological or recreational contribu-
5 tions to the Region;

6 (ii) publishes the reasons that the Ad-
7 visory Committee decided to deviate from
8 the systematic site selection process; and

9 (iii) before identifying or rejecting the
10 potential stewardship site, provides to the
11 owners of the site the notification of publi-
12 cation, and the opportunity under para-
13 graph (3)(B) to decline inclusion of the
14 site on the list published under paragraph
15 (3)(A).

16 (5) PUBLIC COMMENT.—In identifying potential
17 stewardship sites, the Advisory Committee shall con-
18 sider public comments.

19 (e) GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Committee
21 shall use an adaptive management framework to
22 identify the best policy initiatives and actions
23 through—

24 (A) definition of strategic goals;

- 1 (B) definition of policy options for methods
2 to achieve strategic goals;
- 3 (C) establishment of measures of success;
- 4 (D) identification of uncertainties;
- 5 (E) development of informative models of
6 policy implementation;
- 7 (F) separation of the landscape into geo-
8 graphic units;
- 9 (G) monitoring key responses at different
10 spatial and temporal scales; and
- 11 (H) evaluation of outcomes and incorpora-
12 tion into management strategies.

13 (2) APPLICATION OF ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT
14 FRAMEWORK.—The Advisory Committee shall apply
15 the adaptive management framework to the process
16 for updating the list of recommended stewardship
17 sites.

18 **SEC. 9. REPORTS.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years 2007
20 through 2014, the Advisory Committee shall submit to the
21 Administrator and the policy committee an annual report
22 that contains—

- 23 (1) a detailed statement of the findings and
24 conclusions of the Advisory Committee since the last
25 report;

1 (2) a description of all sites recommended by
2 the Advisory Committee to be approved as steward-
3 ship sites;

4 (3) the recommendations of the Advisory Com-
5 mittee for such legislation and administrative actions
6 as the Advisory Committee considers appropriate;
7 and

8 (4) in accordance with subsection (b), the rec-
9 ommendations of the Advisory Committee for the
10 awarding of grants.

11 (b) GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR RECOMMENDA-
12 TIONS.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Committee
14 shall recommend that the Administrator award
15 grants to qualified applicants to help to secure and
16 improve the open space, public access, or ecological
17 values of stewardship sites, through—

18 (A) purchase of the property of the site;

19 (B) purchase of relevant property rights of
20 the site; or

21 (C) entering into any other binding legal
22 arrangement that ensures that the values of the
23 site are sustained, including entering into an
24 arrangement with a land manager or owner to
25 develop or implement an approved management

1 plan that is necessary for the conservation of
2 natural resources.

3 (2) **EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.**—

4 The Advisory Committee shall exert due diligence to
5 recommend an equitable distribution of funds be-
6 tween the States.

7 (c) **ACTION BY THE ADMINISTRATOR.**—

8 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 90 days after
9 receiving a report under subsection (a), the Adminis-
10 trator shall—

11 (A) review the recommendations of the Ad-
12 visory Committee; and

13 (B) take actions consistent with the rec-
14 ommendations of the Advisory Committee, in-
15 cluding the approval of identified stewardship
16 sites and the award of grants, unless the Ad-
17 ministrator makes a finding that any rec-
18 ommendation is unwarranted by the facts.

19 (2) **REPORT.**—Not later than 1 year after the
20 date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator
21 shall develop and publish a report that—

22 (A) assesses the role of the Long Island
23 Sound Initiative in protecting the Long Island
24 Sound;

1 (B) establishes guidelines, criteria, sched-
2 ules, and due dates for evaluating information
3 to identify stewardship sites;

4 (C) includes information about any grants
5 that are available for the purchase of land or
6 property rights to protect stewardship sites;

7 (D) accounts for funds received and ex-
8 pended during the previous fiscal year;

9 (E) shall be made available to the public
10 on the Internet and in hardcopy form; and

11 (F) shall be updated at least every other
12 year, except that information on funding and
13 any new stewardship sites identified shall be
14 published more frequently.

15 **SEC. 10. PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTION.**

16 (a) ACCESS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY.—Nothing in
17 this Act—

18 (1) requires any private property owner to allow
19 public access (including Federal, State, or local gov-
20 ernment access) to the private property; or

21 (2) modifies any provision of Federal, State, or
22 local law with regard to public access to or use of
23 private property, except as entered into by voluntary
24 agreement of the owner or custodian of the property.

1 (b) LIABILITY.—Approval of the Long Island Sound
2 Stewardship Initiative Region does not create any liability,
3 or have any effect on any liability under any other law,
4 of any private property owner with respect to any person
5 injured on the private property.

6 (c) RECOGNITION OF AUTHORITY TO CONTROL LAND
7 USE.—Nothing in this Act modifies the authority of Fed-
8 eral, State, or local governments to regulate land use.

9 (d) PARTICIPATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS
10 IN THE LONG ISLAND SOUND STEWARDSHIP INITIATIVE
11 REGION.—Nothing in this Act requires the owner of any
12 private property located within the boundaries of the Re-
13 gion to participate in or be associated with the Initiative.

14 (e) EFFECT OF ESTABLISHMENT.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The boundaries approved for
16 the Region represent the area within which Federal
17 funds appropriated for the purpose of this Act may
18 be expended.

19 (2) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—The establish-
20 ment of the Region and the boundaries of the Re-
21 gion does not provide any regulatory authority not
22 in existence on the date of enactment of this Act on
23 land use in the Region by any management entity,
24 except for such property rights as may be purchased
25 from or donated by the owner of the property (in-

1 including the Federal Government or a State or local
2 government, if applicable).

3 **SEC. 11. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appro-
5 priated to carry out this Act \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal
6 years 2006 through 2013.

7 (b) USE OF FUNDS.—For each fiscal year, funds
8 made available under subsection (a) shall be used by the
9 Administrator, after reviewing the recommendations of the
10 Advisory Committee submitted under section 9, for—

- 11 (1) acquisition of land and interests in land;
- 12 (2) development and implementation of site
13 management plans;
- 14 (3) site enhancements to reduce threats or pro-
15 mote stewardship; and
- 16 (4) administrative expenses of the Advisory
17 Committee.

18 (c) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost
19 of an activity carried out using any assistance or grant
20 under this Act shall not exceed 75 percent of the total
21 cost of the activity.

22 **SEC. 12. TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

23 The Advisory Committee shall terminate on Decem-
24 ber 31, 2014.

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