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H. R. 643

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and
Public Works

AN ACT

To reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act.

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 “African Elephant Con-
3 servation Reauthorization Act of 2001”.

4 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF AFRICAN ELEPHANT CON-**
5 **SERVATION ACT.**

6 Section 2306 of the African Elephant Conservation
7 Act (16 U.S.C. 4245) is amended by striking “1997” and
8 all that follows through “2002” and inserting “2001,
9 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007”.

10 **SEC. 3. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.**

11 Section 2306 of the African Elephant Conservation
12 Act (16 U.S.C. 4245) is further amended—

13 (1) by striking “There are authorized” and in-
14 serting “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized”;
15 and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(b) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Of amounts
18 available each fiscal year to carry out this Act, the Sec-
19 retary may expend not more than 3 percent or \$80,000,
20 whichever is greater, to pay the administrative expenses
21 necessary to carry out this Act.”.

22 **SEC. 4. COOPERATION.**

23 Part I of the African Elephant Conservation Act (16
24 U.S.C. 4211 et seq.) is further amended by adding at the
25 end the following:

1 **“SEC. 2104. ADVISORY GROUP.**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—To assist in carrying out this
3 Act, the Secretary may convene an advisory group con-
4 sisting of individuals representing public and private orga-
5 nizations actively involved in the conservation of African
6 elephants.

7 “(b) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.—

8 “(1) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Group shall—

9 “(A) ensure that each meeting of the advi-
10 sory group is open to the public; and

11 “(B) provide, at each meeting, an oppor-
12 tunity for interested persons to present oral or
13 written statements concerning items on the
14 agenda.

15 “(2) NOTICE.—The Secretary shall provide to
16 the public timely notice of each meeting of the advi-
17 sory group.

18 “(3) MINUTES.—Minutes of each meeting of
19 the advisory group shall be kept by the Secretary
20 and shall be made available to the public.

21 “(c) EXEMPTION FROM FEDERAL ADVISORY COM-
22 MITTEE ACT.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
23 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the advisory group.”.

24 **SEC. 5. PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY.**

25 Section 2101 of the African Elephant Conservation
26 Act (16 U.S.C. 4211) is amended by redesignating sub-

1 section (e) as subsection (f), and by inserting after sub-
 2 section (d) the following:

3 “(e) PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY.—To the maximum
 4 extent practical, in determining whether to approve project
 5 proposals under this section, the Secretary shall give con-
 6 sideration to projects that will enhance sustainable con-
 7 servation programs to ensure effective long-term conserva-
 8 tion of African elephants.”.

9 **SEC. 6. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

10 (a) CONFORMING AND CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—
 11 The African Elephant Conservation Act is amended as fol-
 12 lows:

13 (1) Section 2101(a) (16 U.S.C. 4211(a)) is
 14 amended by striking “African Elephant Conserva-
 15 tion”.

16 (2) Section 2102 (16 U.S.C. 4212) is amended
 17 by striking the section heading and all that follows
 18 through “(d) ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONA-
 19 TIONS.—” and inserting the following:

20 **“SEC. 2102. ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONATIONS.”.**

21 (3) Section 2304 (16 U.S.C. 4243) is repealed.

22 (4) Section 2305(4) (16 U.S.C. 4244(4)) is
 23 amended by striking “the African Elephant Con-
 24 servation Fund established by section 2102” and in-
 25 serting “the account established by division A, sec-

1 tion 101(e), title I of Public Law 105–277 under the
2 heading ‘MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION
3 FUND’ ”.

4 (b) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Title I of section
5 101(e) of division A of Public Law 105–277 (112 Stat.
6 2681–237) is amended under the heading “MULTI-
7 NATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND” by striking
8 “Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act, subchapter I”
9 and inserting “Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of
10 1994, part I”.

Passed the House of Representatives June 12, 2001.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.