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To reauthorize the Great Ape Conservation Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 5, 2011

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. PIERLUISI, and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To reauthorize the Great Ape Conservation Act, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Great Ape Conserva-
5 tion Reauthorization Amendments Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT AND REAUTHORIZATION OF GREAT**
7 **APE CONSERVATION ACT.**

8 The Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000 is amended
9 as follows:

1 (1) MULTIYEAR GRANTS.—In section 4 (16
2 U.S.C. 6303), by adding at the end the following
3 new subsections:

4 “(j) MULTIYEAR GRANTS.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award
6 a multiyear grant under this section to a person who
7 is otherwise eligible for a grant under this section,
8 to carry out a project that the person demonstrates
9 is an effective, long-term conservation strategy for
10 great apes and their habitats.

11 “(2) ANNUAL GRANTS NOT AFFECTED.—This
12 subsection shall not be construed as precluding the
13 Secretary from awarding grants on an annual
14 basis.”.

15 (2) PANEL OF EXPERTS.—In section 4(i) (16
16 U.S.C. 6303(i))—

17 (A) in paragraph (1), by—

18 (i) striking “Every 2 years” and in-
19 sserting “Within one year after the date of
20 the enactment of the Great Ape Conserva-
21 tion Reauthorization Amendments Act of
22 2011, and every 5 years thereafter”;

23 (ii) striking “may convene” and in-
24 sserting “shall convene”;

1 (iii) inserting “and priorities” after
2 “needs”; and

3 (iv) adding at the end the following
4 new sentence: “The panel shall, to the ex-
5 tent practicable, include representatives
6 from foreign range states with expertise in
7 great ape conservation.”; and

8 (B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
9 paragraph (4), and inserting after paragraph
10 (1) the following new paragraphs:

11 “(2) In identifying conservation needs and pri-
12 orities under paragraph (1), the panel shall consider
13 relevant great ape conservation plans or strategies
14 including scientific research and findings related
15 to—

16 “(A) the conservation needs and priorities
17 of great apes;

18 “(B) regional or species-specific action
19 plans or strategies;

20 “(C) applicable strategies developed or ini-
21 tiated by the Secretary; and

22 “(D) any other applicable conservation
23 plan or strategy.

1 “(3) The Secretary, subject to the availability
2 of appropriations, may pay expenses of convening
3 and facilitating meetings of the panel.”.

4 (3) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES LIMITATION.—
5 In section 5(b)(2) (16 U.S.C. 6304(b)(2)), by strik-
6 ing “\$100,000” and inserting “\$150,000”.

7 (4) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In
8 section 6 (16 U.S.C. 6305), by striking “2006
9 through 2010” and inserting “2012 through 2017”.

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