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H. R. 700

[Report No. 107-94]

To reauthorize the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2001

Mr. SAXTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Resources

JUNE 12, 2001

Additional sponsors: Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA and Mr. ABERCROMBIE

JUNE 12, 2001

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italics]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 14, 2001]

A BILL

To reauthorize the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997.

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

4 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF ASIAN ELEPHANT CON-**
5 **SERVATION ACT OF 1997.**

6 *Section 7 of the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of*
7 *1997 (16 U.S.C. 4266) is amended by striking “1998” and*
8 *all that follows through “2002” and inserting “2001, 2002,*
9 *2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007”.*

10 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.**

11 *Section 7 of the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of*
12 *1997 (16 U.S.C. 4266) is further amended—*

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

15 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

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

21 **SEC. 4. COOPERATION.**

22 *The Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997 is fur-*
23 *ther amended by redesignating section 7 (16 U.S.C. 4266)*
24 *as section 8, and by inserting after section 6 the following:*

1 **“SEC. 7. ADVISORY GROUP.**

2 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*To assist in carrying out this Act,*
3 *the Secretary may convene an advisory group consisting*
4 *of individuals representing public and private organiza-*
5 *tions actively involved in the conservation of Asian ele-*
6 *phants.*

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 agen-*
14 *da.*

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

18 “(3) *MINUTES.*—*Minutes of each meeting of the*
19 *advisory group shall be kept by the Secretary and*
20 *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. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

25 “(a) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—*The Asian Elephant*
26 *Conservation Act of 1997 is amended as follows:*

1 (1) *Section 4(3) (16 U.S.C. 4263(3)) is amended*
2 *by striking “the Asian Elephant Conservation Fund*
3 *established under section 6(a)” and inserting “the ac-*
4 *count established by division A, section 101(e), title I*
5 *of Public Law 105–277 under the heading ‘MULTI-*
6 *NATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND’”.*

7 (2) *Section 6 (16 U.S.C. 4265) is amended by*
8 *striking the section heading and all that follows*
9 *through “(d) ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONA-*
10 *TIONS.—” and inserting the following:*

11 **“SEC. 6. ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONATIONS.”.**

12 **(b) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—***Title I of section 101(e)*
13 *of division A of Public Law 105–277 (112 Stat. 2681–237)*
14 *is amended under the heading “MULTINATIONAL SPECIES*
15 *CONSERVATION FUND” by striking “Rhinoceros and Tiger*
16 *Conservation Act, subchapter I” and inserting “Rhinoceros*
17 *and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, part I”.*

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