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To direct the Secretary of the Army to lease land at the Richard B. Russell Dam and Lake project, South Carolina, to the South Carolina Department of Commerce, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HOLLINGS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

A BILL

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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. RICHARD B. RUSSELL DAM AND LAKE**
4 **PROJECT, SOUTH CAROLINA.**

5 (a) LEASE AUTHORITY.—Not later than 120 days
6 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
7 the Army shall—

1 (1) terminate Department of the Army leases
2 DACW 21-1-92-0500 and DACW 21-1-97-0134,
3 covering approximately 1,798 acres of land at the
4 Richard B. Russell Dam and Lake project, South
5 Carolina, authorized by section 203 of the Flood
6 Control Act of 1966 (80 Stat. 1420) (referred to in
7 this section as the “project”); and

8 (2) enter into a single lease with the lessee, the
9 South Carolina Department of Commerce, covering
10 the same approximately 1,798 acres.

11 (b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The lease entered
12 into under subsection (a) shall—

13 (1) be for a term of not to exceed 111 years;
14 and

15 (2) allow for development activities that will en-
16 hance the recreational opportunities available on the
17 Savannah River and at the project.

18 (c) DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.—

19 (1) TYPES OF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.—De-
20 velopment activities carried out on the land covered
21 by the lease entered into under subsection (a) may
22 include construction of—

23 (A) cottages, golf courses, and related fa-
24 cilities;

25 (B) a hotel and restaurant;

1 (C) a marina;

2 (D) a boat ramp and dry board storage fa-
3 cility; and

4 (E) such other facilities as are approved by
5 the Secretary.

6 (2) TYPE OF OWNERSHIP.—Facilities con-
7 structed under paragraph (1) may be publicly or pri-
8 vately owned.

9 (3) COST OF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.—De-
10 velopment activities on the land covered by the lease
11 shall be carried out at no cost to the Federal Gov-
12 ernment.

13 (4) RENTAL OF COTTAGES.—Cottages con-
14 structed on the land covered by the lease shall be
15 available for public rental not less than 245 days per
16 year, including not less than 90 days during the
17 months of March through July.

18 (5) PUBLIC USE OF FACILITIES.—Any floating
19 or stationary board or courtesy dock placed on the
20 waters of Richard B. Russell Lake in conjunction
21 with the lease—

22 (A) shall be available for use by the gen-
23 eral public; and

24 (B) may not be managed for private exclu-
25 sive use by any individual or entity.

1 (6) FACILITIES NOT TO INTERFERE WITH
2 PROJECT.—Facilities constructed on the land cov-
3 ered by the lease may not interfere with operation
4 of the project by the Federal Government in accord-
5 ance with the authorized project purposes.

6 (d) INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL PARCEL.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The lease entered into under
8 subsection (a) may include, in addition to the acre-
9 age specified in subsection (a), a parcel of land
10 known as “Parcel G”, as identified in the Pickney
11 Report commissioned by the South Carolina Savan-
12 nah Valley Authority and dated August 1991.

13 (2) CONVERSION OF DESIGNATED USE.—If
14 Parcel G is included in the lease, the lease shall pro-
15 vide for conversion of the designated use of the par-
16 cel from undisturbed collar land to recreational col-
17 lar land.

18 (3) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—As a condition
19 of the inclusion of Parcel G in the lease, the Sec-
20 retary shall require the State of South Carolina to
21 transfer to the Secretary a parcel of land that is
22 similar to Parcel G in ecological values, functions,
23 and habitat for the purpose of mitigating against

- 1 losses resulting from the conversion described in
- 2 paragraph (2).

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