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(1) commemorate and interpret, for the benefit of visitors and the general public, the Siege and Battle of Corinth and other Civil War actions in the area in and around the city of Corinth within the larger context of the Civil War, and relating the significance of the Civil War Siege and Battle of Corinth in 1862 in relation to other operations in the western theater of the Civil War; and
(2) identify and preserve surviving features from the Civil War era in the area in and around the city of Corinth, including both military and civilian themes that include—
(A) the role of railroads in the Civil War;
(B) the story of the Corinth contraband camp; and
(C) the development of field fortifications as a tactic of war.
(c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—To carry this Act, the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements with entities in the public and private sectors, including—
(A) colleges and universities;
(B) historical societies; (C) State and local agencies; and
(D) nonprofit organizations.
(2) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—To develop cooperative land use strategies and conduct activities that facilitate the conservation of the historic, cultural, natural, and scenic resources of the Unit, the Secretary may provide technical assistance, to the extent that a recipient of technical assistance is engaged in the protection, interpretation, or commemoration of historically or geographically significant Civil War resources in the area in and around the city of Corinth, to—
(A) the State of Mississippi (including a political subdivision of the State);
(B) the State of Tennessee (including a political subdivision of the State); (C) a governmental entity; (D) a nonprofit organization; and
(E) a private property owner.
(d) RESOURCES OUTSIDE THE UNIT.—Nothing in subsection (c)(2) authorizes the Secretary to own or manage any resource outside the Unit.
SEC. 7. AUTHORIZATION OF SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.
(a) IN GENERAL.—To determine whether certain additional properties are appropriate for inclusion in the Unit, the Secretary shall conduct a special resource study in and around the city of Corinth, Mississippi, and nearby areas in the State of Tennessee that—
(1) have a relationship to the Civil War Siege and Battle of Corinth in 1862; and
(2) are under the ownership of—
(A) the State of Mississippi (including a political subdivision of the State); (B) the State of Tennessee (including a political subdivision of the State); (C) a nonprofit organization; or
(D) a private person.
(b) CONTENTS OF STUDY.—The study shall—
(1) identify the full range of resources and historical themes associated with the Civil War Siege and Battle of Corinth in 1862, including the relationship of the campaign to other operations in the western theater of the Civil War;
(A) the area in and around the city of Corinth; and
(B) the State of Tennessee;
(2) identify alternatives for preserving features from the Civil War era in the area in and around the city of Corinth, including both military and civilian themes involving—
(A) the role of the railroad in the Civil War; (B) the story of the Corinth contraband camp; and
(C) the development of field fortifications as a tactic of war;
(3) identify potential partners that might support efforts by the Secretary to carry out this Act, including—
(A) State entities and their political subdivisions;
(B) historical societies and commissions; (C) civic groups; and
(D) nonprofit organizations;
(4) identify alternatives to avoid land use conflicts;
(5) include cost estimates for any necessary activity associated with the alternatives identified under this subsection, including—
(A) acquisition; (B) development; (C) interpretation; (D) operation; and
(E) maintenance.
(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year and 180 days after the date on which funds are made available to carry out this section, the Secretary shall submit a report describing the findings of the study under subsection (a) to—
(1) the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate; and
(2) the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives.
SEC. 8. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act, including $3,000,000 for the construction of an interpretive center under section 602(d) of title VI of the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (16 U.S.C. 430f-5(d)).

GETTYSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK

The bill (S. 1234) to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Wills House, and for other purposes, was considered, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed; as follows:
S. 1324
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SEC. 1. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the “Hoover Dam Miscellaneous Sales Act”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
Congress finds that—
(1) the sale and distribution of general public information about the use of public land and water areas for recreation, fish, wildlife, and other purposes serve significant public benefits;
(2) publications and other materials educate the public and provide general information about Bureau of Reclamation programs and projects;
(3) in 1997, more than 1,000,000 visitors, including 300,000 from foreign countries, toured the Hoover Dam;
(4) hundreds of thousands of additional visitors stopped to view the dam;
(5) visitors often ask to purchase maps, publications, and other items to enhance their experience or serve educational purposes;
(6) in many cases the Bureau of Reclamation is the sole source of those items;
(7) the Bureau is in the unique position to fulfill public requests for those items; and
(8) as a public agency, the Bureau should be responsive to the public by having appropriate items available for sale.

SEC. 3. PURPOSES.
The purposes of this Act are—
(1) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to offer for sale to members of the public that visit the Hoover Dam Visitor Center educational materials and memorabilia; and
(2) to use revenue from those sales to repay the costs relating to construction of the Hoover Dam Visitor Center.

SEC. 4. AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT SALES.
With respect to the Hoover Dam, the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, may—

(a) sell unneeded property or scrap material into Bureau memorabilia for sale purposes; and
(b) enter into agreements with nonprofit organizations, other Federal agencies, State and local governments, and commercial entities for—

SALES ACT

The bill (S. 1275) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to produce and sell products and to sell publications relating to the Hoover Dam, and to deposit revenues generated from the sales into the Colorado River Dam fund, was considered, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed; as follows:
S. 1275
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,