



AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To ensure that the Secretary of the Interior collaborates fully with State and local authorities and certain nonprofit entities in managing the Corolla Wild Horse population on Federal land.

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To provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, and for other purposes.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by _____ to the amendment (No. 2953) proposed by Ms. MURKOWSKI

Viz:

1 At the end of subtitle E of title IV, add the following:

2 **SEC. 4 _____. WILD HORSES IN AND AROUND THE**

3 **CURRITUCK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**

4 (a) **GENETIC DIVERSITY.**—The Secretary of the Inte-

5 rior (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”), in con-

6 sultation with the North Carolina Department of Environ-

7 ment and Natural Resources, Currituck County, North

8 Carolina, and the Corolla Wild Horse Fund, shall allow

9 for the introduction of a small number of free-roaming

10 wild horses from the Cape Lookout National Seashore as

1 necessary to ensure the genetic diversity and viability of
2 the wild horse population currently found in and around
3 the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge, consistent with—

4 (1) the laws (including regulations) applicable
5 to the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge and the
6 Cape Lookout National Seashore; and

7 (2) the December 2014 Wild Horse Manage-
8 ment Agreement approved by the United States Fish
9 and Wildlife Service, the North Carolina Depart-
10 ment of Environment and Natural Resources,
11 Currituck County, North Carolina, and the Corolla
12 Wild Horse Fund.

13 (b) AGREEMENT.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may enter
15 into an agreement with the Corolla Wild Horse
16 Fund to provide for the cost-effective management
17 of the horses in and around the Currituck National
18 Wildlife Refuge while ensuring that natural re-
19 sources within the Currituck National Wildlife Ref-
20 uge are not adversely impacted.

21 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—The agreement entered
22 into under paragraph (1) shall specify that the Co-
23 rolla Wild Horse Fund shall pay the costs associated
24 with—

1 (A) coordinating and conducting a periodic
2 census, and inspecting the health, of the horses;

3 (B) maintaining records of the horses liv-
4 ing in the wild and in confinement;

5 (C) coordinating and conducting the re-
6 moval and placement of horses and monitoring
7 of any horses removed from the Currituck
8 County Outer Banks; and

9 (D) administering a viable population con-
10 trol plan for the horses, including auctions,
11 adoptions, contraceptive fertility methods, and
12 other viable options.