AMENDMENT NO._____ Calendar No._____

Purpose: To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer to Scenic Rivers Development Alliance certain National Forest System land in the State of Mississippi.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES-115th Cong., 2d Sess.

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To provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ______ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by _____

Viz:

1 At the end of part II of subtitle F of title VIII, insert

2 the following:

3 SEC. 86____. OKHISSA LAKE RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOP-4 MENT LAND CONVEYANCE.

5 (a) DEFINITION OF ALLIANCE.—In this section, the
6 term "Alliance" means the Scenic Rivers Development Al7 liance.

8 (b) REQUEST.—Subject to the requirements of this 9 section, if the Alliance submits a written request for con-10 veyance by not later than 180 days after the date of enact-11 ment of this Act and the Secretary determines that it is ARP18240

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in the public interest to convey the National Forest Sys tem Land described in subsection (c), the Secretary shall
 convey to the Alliance all right, title, and interest of the
 United States in and to the National Forest System land
 described in subsection (c) by quitclaim deed through a
 public or private sale, including a competitive sale by auc tion or bid.

8 (c) DESCRIPTION OF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM9 LAND.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
11 the National Forest System land referred to in sub12 section (b) is the approximately 150 acres of real
13 property located in sec. 6, T. 5 N. R. 4 E., Franklin
14 County, Mississippi, and further described as—

15 (A) the portion of the NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ lying
16 south of the south boundary of Berrytown
17 Road;

18 (B) the portion of the W¹/₂ NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄
19 lying south of the south boundary of Berrytown
20 Road;

21 (C) the portion of the SW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ lying
22 east of the east boundary of U.S. Highway 98;
23 (D) the W¹/₂ SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄;

24 (E) the portion of the NW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ lying
25 east of the east boundary of U.S. Highway 98;

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1 (F) the portion of the $NE^{1/4}$ SW^{1/4} com-2 mencing at the southwest corner of the $NE^{\frac{1}{4}}$ 3 SW¹/₄, said point being the point of beginning, 4 thence running east 330 feet along the south 5 boundary of the NE^{1/4} SW^{1/4} to a point in Lake 6 Okhissa, thence running northeasterly to a 7 point in Lake Okhissa on the east boundary of 8 the NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ 330 feet south of the north-9 east corner thereof, thence running north 330 10 feet along the east boundary of the NE¹/₄ 11 $SW^{1/4}$ to the northeast corner thereof, thence 12 running west along the north boundary of the 13 $NE^{1/4}$ SW^{1/4} to the NW corner thereof; thence 14 running south along the west boundary of the 15 $NE^{1/4}$ SW^{1/4} to the point of beginning; and

16 (G) the portion of the $SE^{1/4}$ $SE^{1/4}$ $NW^{1/4}$ 17 commencing at the southeast corner of the 18 SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄, said point being the point of be-19 ginning, and running northwesterly to the 20 northwest corner of the SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄, 21 thence running south along the west boundary 22 of the SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ to the southwest cor-23 ner thereof, thence running east along the 24 south boundary of the SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ to the 25 point of beginning.

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1	(2) SURVEY.—The exact acreage and legal de-
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	scription of the National Forest System land to be
3	conveyed under this section shall be determined by
4	a survey satisfactory to the Secretary.
5	(d) Consideration.—
6	(1) IN GENERAL.—The consideration for a con-
7	veyance of National Forest System land under this
8	section shall be—
9	(A) provided in the form of cash; and
10	(B) in an amount equal to the market
11	value of the National Forest System land being
12	conveyed, as determined under paragraph (2).
13	(2) Market value determination.—The
14	market value of the National Forest System land
15	conveyed under this section shall be determined—
16	(A) in the case of a method of conveyance
17	described in subsection (b), by an appraisal that
18	is—
19	(i) conducted in accordance with the
20	Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal
21	Land Acquisitions; and
22	(ii) approved by the Secretary; or
23	(B) in the case of a conveyance by a meth-
24	od other than a method described in subsection
25	(b), by competitive sale.

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(e) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A conveyance under
 this section shall be subject to—

- 3 (1) valid existing rights; and
- 4 (2) such other terms and conditions as the Sec5 retary considers to be appropriate to protect the in6 terests of the United States.

7 (f) PROCEEDS FROM SALE.—The Secretary shall de8 posit the proceeds of a conveyance of National Forest Sys9 tem land under this section in the fund established under
10 Public Law 90–171 (commonly known as the "Sisk Act")
11 (16 U.S.C. 484a).

(g) COSTS.—As a condition for the conveyance under
this section, the Secretary shall require the Alliance to pay
at closing—

15 (1) any reasonable appraisal costs; and

16 (2) the costs of any administrative or environ17 mental analysis required by applicable law (including
18 regulations).