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# H. R. 1676

[Report No. 119-]

To amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to approve the wildlife conservation and restoration program of a State within a certain period of time.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 27, 2025

Mr. DONALDS (for himself and Mr. MOSKOWITZ) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

AUGUST --, 2025

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 *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 27, 2025]

# **A BILL**

To amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to approve the wildlife conservation and restoration program of a State within a certain period of time.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Make SWAPs Efficient*  
5 *Act of 2025” or the “Make State Wildlife Action Plans Effi-*  
6 *cient Act of 2025”.*

7 **SEC. 2. TIMING OF APPROVAL OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION**  
8 **AND RESTORATION PROGRAM.**

9 *Section 4(e)(3) of the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Res-*  
10 *toration Act (16 U.S.C. 669c(e)(3)) is amended—*

11 *(1) by inserting “, not later than 180 days after*  
12 *the date on which the State submitted the comprehen-*  
13 *sive plan,” after “, the Secretary”;*

14 *(2) by striking “, as redesignated”;*

15 *(3) by striking “If the Secretary” and inserting*  
16 *“(A) If the Secretary”; and*

17 *(4) by adding at the end the following:*

18 *“(B) Upon submission of a comprehensive plan*  
19 *by a State under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall*  
20 *conditionally authorize the implementation of the*  
21 *wildlife conservation and restoration program of the*  
22 *State and shall set aside amounts as described in sub-*  
23 *paragraph (A).*

24 *“(C) The Secretary, in consultation with the*  
25 *States, shall develop a process to ensure sufficient and*

1       *timely review of comprehensive plans submitted by*  
2       *States under paragraph (1) and final approval of the*  
3       *wildlife conservation and restoration program of such*  
4       *States not later than 180 days after the date on which*  
5       *a State submits such a comprehensive plan.*

6               “(D) *It is the intent of Congress that the Sec-*  
7       *retary prioritize the—*

8                       “(i) *timely review of comprehensive plans*  
9                       *submitted by States under paragraph (1); and*

10                      “(ii) *approval of the wildlife conservation*  
11                      *and restoration programs of such States.*

12               “(E) *Not later than June 1 of the year imme-*  
13       *diately following the year in which a State submits*  
14       *a comprehensive plan under paragraph (1), if the*  
15       *Secretary does not approve the wildlife conservation*  
16       *and restoration program of the State under subpara-*  
17       *graph (A) within the time described in that subpara-*  
18       *graph, the Secretary shall submit to the Chair and*  
19       *Ranking Member of the Committee on Natural Re-*  
20       *sources of the House of Representatives and the Envi-*  
21       *ronment and Public Works Committee of the Senate*  
22       *a report regarding the status of such comprehensive*  
23       *plan and including the reason why the wildlife con-*  
24       *servation and restoration program was not so ap-*  
25       *proved.”.*