

(The letters follow :)

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM,
Columbia, February 5, 1968.

HON. HENRY M. JACKSON,
U.S. Senator,
Chairman of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR JACKSON: The newly created South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism has since July 1, 1967, administered the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program for South Carolina. The possibilities this Grant-in-Aid Program offers to the State of South Carolina and its counties and municipalities is only now being realized.

The Department is currently completing a study of a system of priorities for allocating the so-far unobligated monies apportioned to South Carolina. It is clearly indicated that as more agencies have become aware of the implications of the Fund more monies will be needed to meet current and future demands for effective recreation development.

I urge your committee and the Congress as a whole to pass appropriate legislation as embodied in S. 1401.

Sincerely,

DWIGHT A. HOLDER, *Chairman.*

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DEAR SENATOR JACKSON: I am writing in reference to the passage of S1401 which the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs is considering. The Bill provides for additional revenues to accrue to the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The Fund has begun to substantially serve its purpose of stimulating recreational development in South Carolina on State and local levels.

It has just been in the last two years that our State has moved aggressively to exploit our unlimited opportunities for recreational development.

In conjunction with our new effort in this area embodied in the creation of the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, S1401 has tremendous implications for the State of South Carolina.

For the above reasons I urge Congress as a whole to enact this legislation at the earliest possible date.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

ROBERT E. MCNAIR.

Mr. BOARDMAN. Mr. Chairman, I am Walter Boardman, representing the Appalachian Trail Conference. I have a brief statement which I would like to present as if read.

Senator BURDICK. It will be so received, without objection.

STATEMENT OF WALTER S. BOARDMAN ON BEHALF OF STANLEY A. MURRAY, CHAIRMAN OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONFERENCE

Mr. BOARDMAN. Mr. Chairman, my name is Walter S. Boardman and I am appearing here as the representative of the Appalachian Trail Conference with an office located at 1718 N Street NW., Washington,