

**Editorial Notes**

## CODIFICATION

As originally enacted, this section read as follows: "Upon the passage of this Act and the vesting of the title to the property accepted thereunder in the United States, it shall be under the control of the Secretary of War and administered under such regulations not inconsistent with law as he may from time to time prescribe." Sections 211 and 212 of this title, refer to the lands as a national park or reservation.

Prefixes making the provisions of this section effective, upon the passage of this Act and the vesting of the title to the property accepted, have been omitted as temporary.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## CHANGE OF NAME

"Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park" substituted for "Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site" pursuant to Pub. L. 111-11.

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**Executive Documents**

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

All national parks, national monuments, and national cemeteries consolidated in an office of National Parks, Buildings and Reservations in Department of the Interior, at head of which should be a Director of National Parks, Buildings and Reservations, and cemeteries and parks of War Department transferred to Department of the Interior by Executive Order 6166, § 2, as amended by Executive Order 6228, § 1, set out in a note under section 901 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees. This service designated the National Park Service in Department of the Interior by act Mar. 2, 1934.

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§ 1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out in the Appendix to Title 5.

**§ 215. Improvements and preservation of lands and buildings**

For the purpose of protecting from disintegration and of improving, beautifying, and preserving the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park or Reservation established under sections 211 to 214 of this title, the National Park Service is authorized and directed to provide for (1) the improvement of such existing roadways, walks, and buildings in such park or reservation; and (2) the planting of such trees, plants, and shrubbery; the construction of such additional roadways, walks, and buildings, and of such fences, parking spaces, drainage structures, culverts, and bridges; and the making of such other improvements, as in its judgment may be necessary for the preservation, beautification, and protection from disintegration of such park or reservation, including the log cabin in which Abraham Lincoln was born and the memorial hall inclosing the same, and which may serve to render such park or reservation convenient for the appropriate use and enjoyment by the public.

(Feb. 11, 1929, ch. 176, § 1, 45 Stat. 1162; Ex. Ord. No. 6166, § 2, June 10, 1933; Ex. Ord. No. 6228, § 1, July 28, 1933; Mar. 2, 1934, ch. 38, § 1, 48 Stat. 389; Aug. 11, 1939, ch. 686, 53 Stat. 1405; Pub. L. 86-231, Sept. 8, 1959, 73 Stat. 466; Pub. L. 111-11, title VII, § 7114(b), Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1202.)

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**§ 216. Authorization of appropriation**

There is authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of section 215 of this title; and authorization is also given for such appropriations as may, in the future, be deemed necessary for the proper protection, preservation, care, maintenance, and operation of the said national park or reservation, including the salaries and compensation of a superintendent and other needed employees.

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**§ 217. Change in name of Abraham Lincoln National Park**

The Abraham Lincoln National Park, in the State of Kentucky, authorized by sections 211 to 214 of this title, shall hereafter be called and known as the "Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park", and all moneys heretofore or hereafter appropriated for this area under pre-

vious designations may be used in this area as redesignated.

(Aug. 11, 1939, ch. 686, 53 Stat. 1405.)

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Portion of act Aug. 11, 1939, relating to Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine is set out as section 440a of this title.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### CHANGE OF NAME

Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park was renamed Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site by Pub. L. 86-231, Sept. 8, 1959, 73 Stat. 466, and then was renamed Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park by Pub. L. 111-11, title VII, § 7114(a), Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1202.

#### § 217a. Change in name of Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park

The Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park at Hodgenville, Kentucky, shall on and after September 8, 1959, be known as Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site, and any law, regulation, document, or record of the United States in which such historical park is designated or referred to under the name of Abraham Lincoln National Historic Park shall be held to refer to such historical park under and by the name of Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site.

(Pub. L. 86-231, Sept. 8, 1959, 73 Stat. 466.)

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##### CHANGE OF NAME

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#### § 217b. Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park

##### (a) Designation

The Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site in the State of Kentucky shall be known and designated as the “Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park”.

##### (b) References

Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site shall be deemed to be a reference to the “Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park”.

(Pub. L. 111-11, title VII, § 7114, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1202.)

#### § 218. Addition of land

The approximately six acres of land described in the following recorded deeds to the United States are added to and made a part of the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park in the State of Kentucky:

(a) Deed of conveyance to the United States, dated June 15, 1945, made and entered into by

and between J. R. Howell and Mattie Johnson Howell, his wife, and W. L. Ferrill and Minnie Ferrill, his wife, of Hodgenville, Larue County, Kentucky, recorded on June 25, 1946, in deed book numbered 58, page 262, in the records of the county of Larue, Kentucky; and

(b) Quitclaim deed to the United States, made and entered into by and between Carl J. Howell and Dorothy N. Howell, his wife, of Hodgenville, Larue County, Kentucky, recorded on April 18, 1947, in deed book numbered 59, page 435, in the records of the county of Larue, Kentucky.

(May 27, 1949, ch. 149, 63 Stat. 140; Pub. L. 86-231, Sept. 8, 1959, 73 Stat. 466; Pub. L. 111-11, title VII, § 7114(b) Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1202.)

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#### § 218a. Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park, Kentucky

##### (a) In general

Upon acquisition of the land known as Knob Creek Farm pursuant to subsection (b), the boundary of the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park, established by sections 211 to 214 of this title, is revised to include such land. Lands acquired pursuant to this section shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior as part of the historic site.

##### (b) Acquisition of Knob Creek Farm

The Secretary of the Interior may acquire, by donation only, the approximately 228 acres of land known as Knob Creek Farm in Larue County, Kentucky, as generally depicted on a map entitled “Knob Creek Farm Unit, Abraham Lincoln National Historic Site”, numbered 338/80,077, and dated October 1998. Such map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

##### (c) Study and report

The Secretary of the Interior shall study the Knob Creek Farm in Larue County, Kentucky, and not later than 1 year after November 6, 1998, submit a report to the Congress containing the results of the study. The purpose of the study shall be to:

(1) Identify significant resources associated with the Knob Creek Farm and the early boyhood of Abraham Lincoln.

(2) Evaluate the threats to the long-term protection of the Knob Creek Farm’s cultural, recreational, and natural resources.

(3) Examine the incorporation of the Knob Creek Farm into the operations of the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park and establish a strategic management plan for implementing such incorporation. In developing the plan, the Secretary shall—

(A) determine infrastructure requirements and property improvements needed at Knob