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# H. R. 1581

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 8, 1995

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition,  
and Forestry

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## AN ACT

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture to the City of Sumpter, Oregon.

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. LAND CONVEYANCE, CITY OF SUMPTER, OR-**  
4 **EGON.**

5 (a) CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Ag-  
6 riculture shall convey, without consideration, to the city

1 of Sumpter, Oregon (in this section referred to as the  
2 “City”), all right, title, and interest of the United States  
3 in and to a parcel of real property of approximately 1.43  
4 acres consisting of all of block 8 of the REVISED PLAN  
5 OF SUMPTER TOWNSITE in the City, as shown in plat  
6 recorded March 6, 1897, in Plat Book 3, page 26; includ-  
7 ing the alley running through such block, vacated by Ordi-  
8 nance No. 1966-3, recorded December 14, 1966, in Deed  
9 66-50-014.

10 (b) ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The  
11 real property to be conveyed under subsection (a) consists  
12 of the same property that was deeded to the United States  
13 in the following deeds:

14 (1) Warranty Deed from Sumpter Power &  
15 Water Company to the United States of America  
16 dated October 12, 1949, and recorded in Vol. 152,  
17 page 170 of Baker County records on December 22,  
18 1949.

19 (2) Warranty Deed from Mrs. Alice Windle to  
20 the United States of America dated October 11,  
21 1949, and recorded in Vol. 152, page 168 of Baker  
22 County records on December 22, 1949.

23 (3) Warranty Deed from Alice L. Windle  
24 Charles and James M. Charles to the United States

1 of America dated August 8, 1962, and recorded in  
2 Book 172, page 1331 on August 27, 1962.

3 (c) CONDITION OF CONVEYANCE.—The conveyance  
4 under subsection (a) shall be subject to the condition that  
5 the City use the conveyed property only for public pur-  
6 poses, such as a city park, information center, or interpre-  
7 tive area.

8 (d) RELEASE.—Notwithstanding the Comprehensive  
9 Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act  
10 of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), upon making the con-  
11 veyance required by subsection (a), the United States is  
12 relieved from liability for any and all claims arising from  
13 the presence of hazardous materials on the conveyed prop-  
14 erty, and the City shall thereafter be liable for any and  
15 all such claims.

16 (e) REVERSIONARY INTEREST.—If the Secretary of  
17 Agriculture determines that the real property conveyed  
18 under subsection (a) is not being used in accordance with  
19 the condition specified in subsection (c) or that the City  
20 has initiated proceedings to sell, lease, exchange, or other-  
21 wise dispose of all or a portion of the property, then, at  
22 the option of the Secretary, the United States shall have  
23 a right of reentry with regard to the property, with title  
24 thereto reverting in the United States.

1 (f) AUTHORIZED SALE OF PROPERTY.—Notwith-  
2 standing subsections (c) and (e), the Secretary of Agri-  
3 culture may authorize the City to dispose of the real prop-  
4 erty conveyed under subsection (a) if the proceeds from  
5 such disposal are at least equal to the fair market value  
6 of the property and are paid to the United States. The  
7 Secretary shall deposit amounts received under this sub-  
8 section into the special fund in the Treasury into which  
9 funds are deposited pursuant to the Act of December 4,  
10 1967 (16 U.S.C. 484a), commonly known as the Sisk Act.  
11 The disposal of the conveyed property under this sub-  
12 section shall be subject to such terms and conditions as  
13 the Secretary may prescribe.

14 (g) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The  
15 Secretary of Agriculture may require such additional  
16 terms and conditions in connection with the conveyance  
17 under subsection (a) as the Secretary considers appro-  
18 priate to protect the interests of the United States.

Passed the House of Representatives November 7,  
1995.

Attest:

ROBIN H. CARLE,  
*Clerk.*