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H. R. 5346

To provide for demolition, environmental cleanup, and reversion of the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Allen Park, Michigan.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2000

Mr. DINGELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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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. DEMOLITION, ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP, AND**
4 **REVERSION OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS**
5 **AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER, ALLEN PARK,**
6 **MICHIGAN.**

7 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—(1) The Secretary of Veterans Af-
8 fairs shall enter into a multiyear contract with the Ford

1 Motor Land Development Corporation (hereinafter in this
2 section referred to as the “Corporation”) to undertake
3 project management responsibility to—

4 (A) demolish the buildings and auxiliary struc-
5 tures comprising the Department of Veterans Af-
6 fairs Medical Center, Allen Park, Michigan; and

7 (B) remediate the site of all hazardous material
8 and environmental contaminants found on the site.

9 (2) The contract under paragraph (1) may be entered
10 into notwithstanding sections 303 and 304 of the Federal
11 Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (41
12 U.S.C. 253, 254). The contract shall be for a period speci-
13 fied in the contract not to exceed seven years.

14 (b) CONTRACT COST AND SOURCE OF FUNDING.—

15 (1) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may expend no
16 more than \$14,000,000 for the contract required by sub-
17 section (a). The contract shall provide that all costs for
18 the demolition and site remediation under the contract in
19 excess of \$14,000,000 shall be borne by the Corporation.

20 (2) Payments by the Secretary under the contract
21 shall be made in annual increments of no more than
22 \$2,000,000, beginning with fiscal year 2001, for the dura-
23 tion of the contract. Such payments shall be made from
24 the nonrecurring maintenance portion of the annual De-
25 partment of Veterans Affairs medical care appropriation.

1 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
2 amount obligated upon the award of the contract may not
3 exceed \$2,000,000 and the amount obligated with respect
4 to any succeeding fiscal year may not exceed \$2,000,000.
5 Any funds obligated for the contact shall be subject to the
6 availability of appropriated funds.

7 (c) REVERSION OF PROPERTY.—Upon completion of
8 the demolition and remediation project under the contract
9 to the satisfaction of the Secretary, the Secretary shall,
10 on behalf of the United States, formally abandon the Allen
11 Park property (title to which will then revert in accordance
12 with the terms of the 1937 deed conveying such property
13 to the United States).

14 (d) FLAGPOLE AND MEMORIAL.—The contract under
15 subsection (a) shall require that the Corporation shall
16 erect and maintain on the property abandoned by the
17 United States under subsection (c) a flagpole and suitable
18 memorial identifying the property as the location of the
19 former Allen Park Medical Center. The Secretary and the
20 Corporation shall jointly determine the placement of the
21 memorial and flagpole and the form of, and appropriate
22 inscription on, the memorial.

23 (e) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The
24 Secretary may require such additional terms and condi-
25 tions with regard to the contract with the Corporation

1 under subsection (a) and with the reversion of the prop-
2 erty under subsection (c) as the Secretary considers ap-
3 propriate to protect the interest of the United States.

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