

108TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 4027

To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to make available to the University of Miami property under the administrative jurisdiction of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on Virginia Key, Florida, for use by the University for a Marine Life Science Center.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 2004

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. MEEK of Florida, and Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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## 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. AVAILABILITY OF NOAA REAL PROPERTY ON**  
4               **VIRGINIA KEY, FLORIDA.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Commerce may  
6       make available to the University of Miami real property  
7       under the administrative jurisdiction of the National Oce-

1 anic and Atmospheric Administration on Virginia Key,  
2 Florida, for use by the University for a Marine Life  
3 Science Center.

4 (b) TERMS OF AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary may  
5 make property available under this section by easement,  
6 lease, license, or long-term agreement with the University.

7 (c) AUTHORIZED USES.—Property made available  
8 under this section may be used by the University to de-  
9 velop and operate facilities for multidisciplinary environ-  
10 mental and fisheries research, assessment, management,  
11 and educational activities.

12 (d) USE OF FACILITIES.—The Secretary may—

13 (1) subject to the availability of appropriations,  
14 lease facilities constructed by the University on  
15 property made available under this section; and

16 (2) participate with the University in collabo-  
17 rative research at, or administered through, such fa-  
18 cilities.

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