110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H.R.386

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain buildings and lands of the Yakima Project, Washington, to the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "Yakima-Tieton Irriga-
- 3 tion District Conveyance Act of 2007".
- 4 SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS AND LANDS
- 5 OF THE YAKIMA PROJECT, WASHINGTON.
- 6 (a) Conveyance Required.—The Secretary of the
- 7 Interior shall convey to the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation Dis-
- 8 trict, located in Yakima County, Washington, all right,
- 9 title, and interest of the United States in and to the build-
- 10 ings and lands of the Yakima Project, Washington, in ac-
- 11 cordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the
- 12 agreement titled "Agreement Between the United States
- 13 and the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District to Transfer
- 14 Title to Certain Federally Owned Buildings and Lands,
- 15 With Certain Property Rights, Title, and Interest, to the
- 16 Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District" (Contract No. 5–07–
- 17 10-L1658).
- 18 (b) Liability.—Effective upon the date of convey-
- 19 ance under this section, the United States shall not be
- 20 held liable by any court for damages of any kind arising
- 21 out of any act, omission, or occurence relating to the con-
- 22 veyed buildings and lands, except for damages caused by
- 23 acts of negligence committed by the United States or by
- 24 its employees or agents before the date of conveyance.
- 25 Nothing in this section increases the liability of the United
- 26 States beyond that provided in chapter 171 of title 28,

- 1 United States Code (popularly known as the Federal Tort
- 2 Claims Act), on the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 3 (c) Benefits.—After conveyance of the buildings
- 4 and lands to the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District under
- 5 this section—
- 6 (1) such buildings and lands shall not be con-
- 7 sidered to be a part of a Federal reclamation
- 8 project; and
- 9 (2) such irrigation district shall not be eligible
- to receive any benefits with respect to any buildings
- and lands conveyed, except benefits that would be
- available to a similarly situated person with respect
- to such buildings and lands that are not part of a
- 14 Federal reclamation project.
- 15 (d) Report.—If the Secretary of the Interior has not
- 16 completed the conveyance required under subsection (a)
- 17 within 12 months after the date of the enactment of this
- 18 Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that
- 19 explains the reason such conveyance has not been com-

- 1 pleted and stating the date by which the conveyance will
- 2 be completed.

Passed the House of Representatives February 6, 2007.

Attest:

Clerk.

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