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Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, without amendment

AN ACT

To authorize the exchange of certain interests in land in
Denali National Park in the State of Alaska.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Denali National Park
5 and Alaska Railroad Exchange Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) CORPORATION.—The term “Corporation”
2 means the Alaska Railroad Corporation owned by
3 the State of Alaska.

4 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
5 the Secretary of the Interior.

6 **SEC. 3. EXCHANGE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—

8 (1) EASEMENT EXPANDED.—The Secretary is
9 authorized to grant to the Alaska Railroad Corpora-
10 tion an exclusive-use easement on land that is identi-
11 fied by the Secretary within Denali National Park
12 for the purpose of providing a location to the Cor-
13 poration for construction, maintenance, and on-going
14 operation of track and associated support facilities
15 for turning railroad trains around near Denali Park
16 Station.

17 (2) EASEMENT RELINQUISHED.—In exchange
18 for the easement granted in paragraph (1), the Sec-
19 retary shall require the relinquishment of certain
20 portions of the Corporation’s existing exclusive use
21 easement within the boundary of Denali National
22 Park.

23 (b) CONDITIONS OF THE EXCHANGE.—

1 (1) EQUAL EXCHANGE.—The exchange of ease-
2 ments under this section shall be on an approxi-
3 mately equal-acre basis.

4 (2) TOTAL ACRES.—The easement granted
5 under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) shall not ex-
6 ceed 25 acres.

7 (3) INTERESTS CONVEYED.—The easement con-
8 veyed to the Alaska Railroad Corporation by the
9 Secretary under this section shall be under the same
10 terms as the exclusive use easement granted to the
11 Railroad in Denali National Park in the Deed for
12 Exclusive Use Easement and Railroad Related Im-
13 provements filed in Book 33, pages 985–994 of the
14 Nenana Recording District, Alaska, pursuant to the
15 Alaska Railroad Transfer Act of 1982 (45 U.S.C.
16 1201 et seq.). The easement relinquished by the
17 Alaska Railroad Corporation to the United States
18 under this section shall, with respect to the portion
19 being exchanged, be the full title and interest re-
20 ceived by the Alaska Railroad in the Deed for Exclu-
21 sive Use Easement and Railroad Related Improve-
22 ments filed in Book 33, pages 985–994 of the
23 Nenana Recording District, Alaska, pursuant to the
24 Alaska Railroad Transfer Act of 1982 (45 U.S.C.
25 1201 et seq.).

1 (4) COSTS.—The Alaska Railroad shall pay all
2 costs associated with the exchange under this sec-
3 tion, including the costs of compliance with the Na-
4 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
5 4321 et seq.), the costs of any surveys, and other
6 reasonable costs.

7 (5) LAND TO BE PART OF WILDERNESS.—The
8 lands underlying any easement relinquished to the
9 United States under this section that are adjacent to
10 designated wilderness are hereby designated as wil-
11 derness and added to the Denali Wilderness, the
12 boundaries of which are modified accordingly, and
13 shall be managed in accordance with applicable pro-
14 visions of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 892) and the
15 Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act of
16 1980 (94 Stat. 2371).

17 (6) OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Sec-
18 retary shall require any additional terms and condi-
19 tions under this section that the Secretary deter-
20 mines to be appropriate to protect the interests of
21 the United States and of Denali National Park.

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