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# S. 1105

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 26, 2001

Mr. THOMAS (for himself and Mr. ENZI) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

To provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of State of Wyoming lands within the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park, and for other purposes.

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 mat be cited as the “Grand Teton National  
5 Park Land Exchange Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 (a) The term “Governor” means the Governor of the  
8 State of Wyoming.

1 (b) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the  
2 Department of the Interior.

3 (c) The term “State lands” means the State of Wyo-  
4 ming lands, and interest therein, within the boundaries of  
5 Grand Teton National Park as identified on a map titled  
6 “Private, State & County Inholdings Grand Teton Na-  
7 tional Park”, dated March 2001, and numbered “GTNP-  
8 0001”.

9 **SEC. 3. PURPOSE AND INTENT.**

10 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the Secretary  
11 to acquire approximately 1,406 acres of State lands and  
12 interests therein within the exterior boundaries of Grand  
13 Teton National Park.

14 **SEC. 4. VALUATION OF INTEREST.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
16 date of enactment of this Act the State lands to be ac-  
17 quired shall be valued by one of the following methods:

18 (1) SELECTION OF APPRAISER.—The Secretary  
19 and the Governor shall mutually agree on the selec-  
20 tion of a qualified appraiser to conduct an appraisal  
21 of the State lands.

22 (2) NO AGREEMENT ON APPRAISER.—If no ap-  
23 praiser is mutually agreed to under paragraph (a)(1)  
24 of this section, the Secretary and the Governor shall  
25 each designate a qualified appraiser, and the two

1 designated appraisers shall select a third qualified  
2 appraiser to perform the appraisal with the advice  
3 and assistance of the designated appraisers.

4 (3) FAILURE OF PROCESS.—If the Secretary  
5 and the Governor cannot agree on the evaluation of  
6 the appraised State lands by the date that is 180  
7 days after the date of enactment of this section the  
8 Governor may petition the United States Court of  
9 Federal Claims for a determination of the value of  
10 the State lands and interest therein. Subject to the  
11 right of appeal, a determination by the Court shall  
12 be binding for purposes of this section on all parties.

13 **SEC. 5. LAND EXCHANGE.**

14 (a) DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.—

15 (1) Within 180 days after the value of the State  
16 lands is determined in accordance with the provi-  
17 sions of section 4 of this Act, the Secretary, in con-  
18 sultation with the Governor, shall exchange Federal  
19 lands of equal value or other Federal assets of equal  
20 value, or a combination of both, for the State lands.

21 (2) Upon final exchange of title between the  
22 State and the Secretary, the lands conveyed to the  
23 United States pursuant to this Act shall become  
24 part of Grand Teton National Park. Once conveyed,  
25 such lands shall be managed in accordance with the

1 Act of August 25, 1916 (commonly known as the  
2 “National Park Service Organic Act”), and in ac-  
3 cordance with the other laws, rules and regulations  
4 applicable to the National Park System.

