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To require the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust 4 parcels of Federal land for the benefit of certain Indian Pueblos in the State of New Mexico.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. UDALL (for himself and Mr. HEINRICH) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Albuquerque Indian
5 School Land Transfer Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) 19 PUEBLOS.—The term “19 Pueblos”
9 means the New Mexico Indian Pueblos of—

- 1 (A) Acoma;
- 2 (B) Cochiti;
- 3 (C) Isleta;
- 4 (D) Jemez;
- 5 (E) Laguna;
- 6 (F) Nambe;
- 7 (G) Ohkay Owingeh (San Juan);
- 8 (H) Picuris;
- 9 (I) Pojoaque;
- 10 (J) San Felipe;
- 11 (K) San Ildefonso;
- 12 (L) Sandia;
- 13 (M) Santa Ana;
- 14 (N) Santa Clara;
- 15 (O) Santo Domingo;
- 16 (P) Taos;
- 17 (Q) Tesuque;
- 18 (R) Zia; and
- 19 (S) Zuni.

20 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
 21 titled “The Town of Albuquerque Grant, Bernalillo
 22 County, within Township 10 North, Range 3 East,
 23 of the New Mexico Principal Meridian, New Mex-
 24 ico—Metes and Bounds Survey” and dated August
 25 12, 2011.

1 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
2 Secretary of the Interior.

3 **SEC. 3. LAND TAKEN INTO TRUST FOR BENEFIT OF 19**
4 **PUEBLOS.**

5 (a) ACTION BY SECRETARY.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall take
7 into trust all right, title, and interest of the United
8 States in and to the Federal land described in sub-
9 section (b) for the benefit of the 19 Pueblos imme-
10 diately after the Secretary determines that the re-
11 quirements of the National Environmental Policy
12 Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) have been sat-
13 isfied regarding the trust acquisition of the Federal
14 land.

15 (2) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary shall—

16 (A) take such action as the Secretary de-
17 termines to be necessary to document the trans-
18 fer under paragraph (1); and

19 (B) appropriately assign each applicable
20 private and municipal utility and service right
21 or agreement.

22 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The Federal land re-
23 ferred to in subsection (a)(1) is the 4 tracts of Federal
24 land, the combined acreage of which is approximately

1 11.11 acres, that were historically part of the Albuquerque
2 Indian School, more particularly described as follows:

3 (1) ABANDONED INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD.—The
4 approximately 0.83 acres located in sec. 7 and sec.
5 8 of T. 10 N., R. 3 E., of the New Mexico Principal
6 Meridian in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as identified
7 on the map.

8 (2) SOUTHERN PART TRACT D.—The approxi-
9 mately 6.18 acres located in sec. 7 of T. 10 N., R.
10 3 E., of the New Mexico Principal Meridian in Albu-
11 querque, New Mexico, as identified on the map.

12 (3) TRACT 1.—The approximately 0.41 acres lo-
13 cated in sec. 7 of T. 10 N., R. 3 E., of the New
14 Mexico Principal Meridian in Albuquerque, New
15 Mexico, as identified on the map.

16 (4) WESTERN PART TRACT B.—The approxi-
17 mately 3.69 acres located in sec. 7 of T. 10 N., R.
18 3 E., of the New Mexico Principal Meridian in Albu-
19 querque, New Mexico, as identified on the map.

20 (c) SURVEY.—The Secretary shall conduct a survey
21 of the Federal land to be transferred consistent with sub-
22 section (b) and may make minor corrections to the survey
23 and legal description of the Federal land described in sub-
24 section (b) as the Secretary determines to be necessary
25 to correct clerical, typographical, and surveying errors.

1 (d) USE OF LAND.—The Federal land taken into
2 trust under subsection (a) shall be used for the edu-
3 cational, health, cultural, business, and economic develop-
4 ment of the 19 Pueblos.

5 (e) LIMITATIONS AND CONDITIONS.—The Federal
6 land taken into trust under subsection (a) shall remain
7 subject to any private or municipal encumbrance, right-
8 of-way, restriction, easement of record, or utility service
9 agreement in effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

10 (f) BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS USE.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The 19 Pueblos shall allow
12 the Bureau of Indian Affairs to continue to use the
13 land taken into trust under subsection (a) for the fa-
14 cilities and purposes as in existence on the date of
15 enactment of this Act, in accordance with paragraph
16 (2).

17 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—The use by the Bureau
18 of Indian Affairs under paragraph (1) shall—

19 (A) be free of any rental charge; and

20 (B) continue until such time as the Sec-
21 retary determines there is no further need for
22 the existing Bureau of Indian Affairs facilities.

1 **SEC. 4. EFFECT OF OTHER LAWS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), Federal
3 land taken into trust under section 3(a) shall be subject
4 to Federal laws relating to Indian land.

5 (b) GAMING.—No class I gaming, class II gaming,
6 or class III gaming (as defined in section 4 of the Indian
7 Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2703)) shall be carried
8 out on the Federal land taken into trust under section
9 3(a).

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