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S. 5359

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to Pennington County,
South Dakota, certain National Forest System land.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 7, 2026

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

A BILL

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nington County, South Dakota, certain National Forest
System land.

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 “Pennington County
5 Land Conveyance Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF FEDERAL LAND TO PENNINGTON**
7 **COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.**

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) COUNTY.—The term “County” means Pen-
2 nington County, South Dakota.

3 (2) FEDERAL LAND.—The term “Federal land”
4 means—

5 (A) the parcel of approximately 8.97 acres
6 of National Forest System land within the
7 boundary of the Black Hills National Forest, as
8 generally depicted as “Parcel to be Conveyed”
9 on the map entitled “Pennington County (SD)
10 Highway Maintenance Facility Land Convey-
11 ance” and dated June 22, 2026; and

12 (B) any improvements to the National
13 Forest System land described in subparagraph
14 (A).

15 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
16 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
17 Chief of the Forest Service.

18 (b) CONVEYANCE.—As soon as practicable after the
19 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall convey
20 to the County, without consideration and subject to any
21 terms and conditions that the Secretary determines to be
22 appropriate, all right, title, and interest of the United
23 States in and to the Federal land, to be used by the Coun-
24 ty for a public works facility or any other uses determined
25 to be necessary by the County.

1 (c) BOUNDARY MODIFICATION.—On the conveyance
2 of the Federal land to the County under subsection (b),
3 the Secretary shall modify the boundary of the Black Hills
4 National Forest to reflect the conveyance of the Federal
5 land.

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