

CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN BUREAU OF LAND
MANAGEMENT LANDS IN CARSON CITY, NEVADA

JULY 10, 2001.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of
the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. HANSEN, from the Committee on Resources,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 271]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Resources, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 271) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a former Bureau of Land Management administrative site to the city of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of H.R. 271, is to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a former Bureau of Land Management administrative site to the city of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

The Carson City Senior Center was established in 1972 with the support of the Carson City Kiwanis Club and other community involvement. The center has been expanded to the point that new land is required to expand it further. The land adjacent to the center is former Bureau of Land Management (BLM) property that has been vacant since 1997 and is completely surrounded by property owned by Carson City. The BLM has moved to a new office and is fully supportive of the land conveyance.

The need for a new center has been brought about by the substantial growth of Carson City in recent years. At present, the population is slightly more than 50,000 people and at least 10,000 of these people are 60 years of age or older. This does not include those of surrounding towns. As a result of this high number of sen-

ior citizens, the center is one of the most highly used public facilities in Carson City.

When completed, the center, in combination with existing facilities, would provide a venue where seniors with limited mobility could have access to a senior center, the Carson Tahoe Rehabilitation Center Hospital, an assisted living center and an adult day care center in one condensed area. With the addition of the expanded space acquired through this land transfer, the Senior Citizens Center will be able to offer its most popular activities to a larger segment of the public, including events such as live music, dancing, bingo, and tournaments for horseshoes, fly fishing and bridge.

The approximately 4.5 acres of currently uninhabitable buildings and improvements would be subject to reversion to the federal government if they are ever used for another purpose other than a senior citizens assisted living center or a related public purpose.

COMMITTEE ACTION

H.R. 271 was introduced on January 30, 2001, by Congressman Jim Gibbons (R-NV). The bill was referred to the Committee on Resources, and within the Committee to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands. On June 12, 2001, the Subcommittee held a hearing on the bill. On June 26, 2001, the Subcommittee met to mark up the bill. No amendments were offered and the bill was forwarded to the Full Committee. On June 27, 2001, the Full Resources Committee met to consider the bill. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered favorably reported to the House of Representatives by voice vote.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Regarding clause 2(b)(1) of rule X and clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Resources' oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in the body of this report.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States grants Congress the authority to enact this bill.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. Cost of Legislation. Clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires an estimate and a comparison by the Committee of the costs which would be incurred in carrying out this bill. However, clause 3(d)(3)(B) of that rule provides that this requirement does not apply when the Committee has included in its report a timely submitted cost estimate of the bill prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

2. Congressional Budget Act. As required by clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, this bill does not contain any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures.

3. General Performance Goals and Objectives. This bill does not authorize funding and therefore, clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives does not apply.

4. Congressional Budget Office Cost Estimate. Under clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for this bill from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office:

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, June 28, 2001.

Hon. JAMES V. HANSEN,
Chairman, Committee on Resources,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 271, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a former Bureau of Land Management administrative site to the city of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Megan Carroll.

Sincerely,

BARRY B. ANDERSON
(For Dan L. Crippen, Director).

Enclosure.

H.R. 271—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a former Bureau of Land Management administrative site to the city of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center

H.R. 271 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey, without consideration, a former administrative site of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to the city of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center or a related public purpose. According to BLM, the abandoned site currently generates no receipts, and the agency does not expect the land to generate any significant receipts over the next 10 years.

Based on information from BLM, CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 271 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 271 contains no inter-governmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The city of Carson City would benefit from the opportunity to acquire this property at no cost.

On May 17, 2001, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 230, similar legislation ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on May 16, 2001. The two bills are very similar, and the cost estimates are identical.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Megan Carroll. This estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC LAW 104-4

This bill contains no unfunded mandates.

PREEMPTION OF STATE, LOCAL OR TRIBAL LAW

This bill is not intended to preempt any State, local or tribal law.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

If enacted, this bill would make no changes in existing law.

