Public Law 85-876

AN ACT

September 2, 1958
[S. 2039]

To clarify the requirements with respect to the performance of labor imposed as a condition for the holding of mining claims on Federal lands pending the issuance of patents therefor.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the term "labor", as used in the third sentence of section 2324 of the Revised Statutes (30 U. S. C. 28), shall include, without being limited to, geological, geochemical and geophysical surveys conducted by qualified experts and verified by a detailed report filed in the county office in which the claim is located which sets forth fully (a) the location of the work performed in relation to the point of discovery and boundaries of the claim, (b) the nature, extent, and cost thereof, (c) the basic findings therefrom, and (d) the name, address, and professional background of the person or persons conducting the work. Such surveys, however, may not be applied as labor for more than two consecutive years or for more than a total of five years on any one mining claim, and each such survey shall be nonrepetitive of any previous survey on the same claim.

Mining claims, labor requirements.

SEC. 2. As used in this Act,

(a) The term "geological surveys" means surveys on the ground for mineral deposits by the proper application of the principles and techniques of the science of geology as they relate to the search for and discovery of mineral deposits;

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(b) The term "geochemical surveys" means surveys on the ground for mineral deposits by the proper application of the principles and techniques of the science of chemistry as they relate to the search for and discovery of mineral deposits;

(c) The term "geophysical surveys" means surveys on the ground for mineral deposits through the employment of generally recognized equipment and methods for measuring physical differences between rock types or discontinuities in geological formations;

(d) The term "qualified expert" means an individual qualified by education or experience to conduct geological, geochemical or geophysical surveys, as the case may be.

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To authorize the negotiation of a compact between the State of Minnesota and the Province of Manitoba, Canada, for the development of a highway to provide access to the northwest angle in such State.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to the State of Minnesota to negotiate and enter into a compact with the Province of Manitoba, Canada, for the development of a highway to provide access to the northwest angle in such State. Such compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon the State of Minnesota unless and until it has been ratified by such State and by the Province of Manitoba and approved by the Congress of the United States.

Compact, Minnesota and Canada.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

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