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H. R. 3693

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 16, 2000

Mr. SIMPSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Resources

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 “Castle Rock Ranch
5 Acquisition Act of 2000”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) MONUMENT.—The term “Monument”
4 means the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monu-
5 ment, Idaho, depicted on the National Park Service
6 map numbered 300/80,000, C.O. No. 161, and dated
7 January 7, 1998.

8 (2) RANCH.—The term “Ranch” means the
9 land comprising approximately 1,240 acres situated
10 outside the boundary of the Reserve, known as the
11 “Castle Rock Ranch”.

12 (3) RESERVE.—The term “Reserve” means the
13 City of Rocks National Reserve, located near Almo,
14 Idaho, depicted on the National Park Service map
15 numbered 003/80,018, C.O. No. 169, and dated
16 March 25, 1999.

17 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
18 the Secretary of the Interior.

19 **SEC. 3. ACQUISITION OF CASTLE ROCK RANCH.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Sec-
21 retary shall acquire, by donation or by purchase with do-
22 nated or appropriated funds, the Ranch.

23 (b) CONSENT OF LANDOWNER.—The Secretary shall
24 acquire land under subsection (a) only with the consent
25 of the owner of the land.

1 **SEC. 4. LAND EXCHANGE.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—

3 (1) FEDERAL AND STATE EXCHANGE.—Subject
4 to subsection (b), on completion of the acquisition
5 under section 3(a), the Secretary shall convey the
6 Ranch to the State of Idaho in exchange for ap-
7 proximately 492.87 acres of land near Hagerman,
8 Idaho, located within the boundary of the Monu-
9 ment.

10 (2) STATE AND PRIVATE LANDOWNER EX-
11 CHANGE.—On completion of the exchange under
12 paragraph (1), the State of Idaho may exchange
13 portions of the Ranch for private land within the
14 boundaries of the Reserve, with the consent of the
15 owners of the private land.

16 (b) CONDITION OF EXCHANGE.—As a condition of
17 the land exchange under subsection (a)(1), the State of
18 Idaho shall administer all private land acquired within the
19 Reserve through an exchange under this Act in accordance
20 with title II of the Arizona-Idaho Conservation Act of
21 1988 (16 U.S.C. 460yy et seq.).

22 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—State land acquired by the
23 United States in the land exchange under subsection
24 (a)(1) shall be administered by the Secretary as part of
25 the Monument.

1 (d) NO EXPANSION OF RESERVE.—Acquisition of the
2 Ranch by a Federal or State agency shall not constitute
3 any expansion of the Reserve.

4 (e) NO EFFECT ON EASEMENTS.—Nothing in this
5 Act affects any easement in existence on the date of enact-
6 ment of this Act.

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