108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2483

To amend the Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve Act to allow funds available under that Act to be used for preservation, exploration, and preparation of paleontological resources for display, educational outreach, and related construction.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 16, 2003

Mr. Matheson 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. USE OF FUNDS.
 - 4 (a) Amendment.—Section 2(a) of the Virgin River
 - 5 Dinosaur Footprint Preserve Act (Public Law 107–346)
 - 6 is amended to read as follows:

1 "(a) Grant for Preservation of Resources.— As soon as is practicable after the date of the enactment 3 of this Act, if the City agrees to the conditions set forth in subsection (b), the Secretary of the Interior may award to the City a grant equal to the lesser of \$500,000 or the fair market value of up to 10 acres of land (and all related 6 facilities and other appurtenances thereon) generally de-8 picted on the map entitled 'Proposed Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve', numbered 09/06/2001–A, which 10 the City may use for one or more of the following: 11 "(1) Purchase of that property. "(2) Preservation, exploration, and preparation 12 13 of paleontological resources found on the property 14 for display. 15 "(3) Educational outreach. "(4) Construction of buildings for protection 16 17 and preservation of paleontological resources found 18 on the property.". 19 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by 20 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enact-21 ment of the Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve

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22 Act.