

108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 3794

For the relief of the heirs of Henry D. Espy of St. Louis, Missouri.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 10, 2004

Mr. CONYERS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of the heirs of Henry D. Espy of St. Louis,
Missouri.

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. COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN LOSSES FOR THE**
4 **HEIRS OF HENRY D. ESPY OF ST. LOUIS, MIS-**
5 **SOURI.**

6 (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “heirs of
7 Henry D. Espy” means Mary Espy, Mary Espy Rhodes
8 Hoover, Frances Espy Rankin, Jeannette Espy Burton,
9 Mark Espy, Damon Espy, Jamisette Espy, Ashley Espy,
10 Luke Espy, Reuben Gresham, Melanie Espy, Jasmine
11 Espy, Jake Espy, Jeanne Hoover, Robert Hoover, Harold

1 Logan, Andrew Logan, Minda Logan, Andrew Logan II,
2 Gabrielle Logan, Justin Logan, and Randall Rhodes
3 Logan.

4 (b) PAYMENT.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall
5 pay, using funds in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
6 priated, to the heirs of Henry D. Espy of St. Louis, Mis-
7 souri, as their interests may appear, an amount equal to
8 the difference between—

9 (1) the fair market value of land owned by
10 Henry D. Espy located in Gifford, Indian River
11 County, Florida, that was taken by the United
12 States in an eminent domain proceeding in 1942, as
13 determined by an appraisal satisfactory to the Sec-
14 retary and the heirs of Henry D. Espy; and

15 (2) sums already paid by the United States to
16 Henry D. Espy in connection with such taking.

17 (c) SETTLEMENT.—The payment under subsection
18 (b) shall be in full settlement of all claims of the heirs
19 of Henry D. Espy arising from the 1942 taking referred
20 to in such subsection.

21 (d) NO INFERENCE OF LIABILITY.—Nothing in this
22 section shall be construed as an inference of liability on
23 the part of the United States.

24 (e) LIMITATION ON AGENTS' AND ATTORNEYS'
25 FEES.—Any contract to the contrary notwithstanding, no

1 more than ten percent of the payment required by sub-
2 section (b) may be paid to or received by any agent or
3 attorney for services rendered in connection with obtaining
4 such payment. Any person who violates this subsection
5 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to
6 a fine in the amount provided in title 18, United States
7 Code.

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