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# H. R. 4562

To further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site  
Establishment Act of 2000.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. MUSGRAVE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Resources

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## A BILL

To further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre  
National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000.

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 “Sand Creek Massacre  
5       National Historic Site Trust Act of 2004”.

6       **SEC. 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.**

7       To further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre  
8       National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000 (16  
9       U.S.C. 461 note; Public Law 106–465), this Act author-  
10      izes the United States to take certain land in Kiowa Coun-

1 ty, Colorado, owned by the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes  
2 of Oklahoma, into trust.

3 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

4 In this Act:

5 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
6 the Secretary of the Interior.

7 (2) TRIBE.—The term “Tribe” means the  
8 Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, a feder-  
9 ally recognized Indian tribe.

10 (3) TRUST PROPERTY.—The term “trust prop-  
11 erty” means the property described in section 4(b).

12 **SEC. 4. TRANSFER OF LAND HELD IN TRUST FOR THE**  
13 **CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLA-**  
14 **HOMA.**

15 (a) LAND HELD IN TRUST FOR THE CHEYENNE AND  
16 ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA.—

17 (1) CONVEYANCE.—Not later than 180 days  
18 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Tribe  
19 shall convey title to the trust property to the United  
20 States.

21 (2) TRUST.—All right, title, and interest of the  
22 United States in and to the trust property, including  
23 all improvement on the trust property and appur-  
24 tenances to the trust property and rights to all min-

1       erals, are declared to be held by the United States  
2       in trust for the Tribe.

3       (b) LAND DESCRIPTION.—The trust property is the  
4       property formerly known as the “Dawson Ranch”, con-  
5       sisting of approximately 1,465 total acres presently under  
6       the jurisdiction of the Tribe, situated within Kiowa Coun-  
7       ty, Colorado, and more particularly described as follows:

8               (1) The portion of sec. 24, T. 17 S., R. 46 W.,  
9       Colorado Principal Meridian, that is the Eastern  
10       half of the NW quarter, the SW quarter of the NE  
11       quarter, the NW quarter of the SE quarter, Colo-  
12       rado Principal Meridian.

13              (2) All of sec. 25, T. 17 S., R. 46 W., Colorado  
14       Principal Meridian.

15              (3) All of sec. 30, T. 17 S., R. 45 W., Colorado  
16       Principal Meridian.

17       **SEC. 5. SURVEY OF BOUNDARY LINE; PUBLICATION OF DE-**  
18       **SCRIPTION.**

19       (a) SURVEY OF BOUNDARY LINE.—To accurately es-  
20       tablish the boundary of the trust property, the Secretary  
21       shall, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
22       of this Act, cause a survey to be conducted by the Office  
23       of Cadastral Survey of the Bureau of Land Management  
24       of the boundary lines described in section 4(b).

25       (b) PUBLICATION OF LAND DESCRIPTION.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—On completion of the survey  
2           under subsection (a), and acceptance of the survey  
3           by the representatives of the Tribe, the Secretary  
4           shall cause the full metes and bounds description of  
5           the lines, with a full and accurate description of the  
6           trust property, to be published in the Federal Reg-  
7           ister.

8           (2) EFFECT.—The descriptions shall, on publi-  
9           cation, constitute the official descriptions of the  
10          trust property.

11 **SEC. 6. ADMINISTRATION OF TRUST PROPERTY.**

12          (a) IN GENERAL.—The trust property is declared to  
13          be part of the Indian reservation of the Tribe.

14          (b) ADMINISTRATION.—The trust property shall be  
15          administered in perpetuity by the Secretary in accordance  
16          with the law generally applicable to property held in trust  
17          by the United States for the benefit of Indian tribes and  
18          in accordance with the Sand Creek Massacre National  
19          Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 461  
20          note; Public Law 106–465).

21 **SEC. 7. RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL USES.**

22          (a) IN GENERAL.—The trust property shall be used  
23          only for historic, religious, or cultural uses that are com-  
24          patible with the use of the land as a national historic site.

1       (b) DUTY OF THE SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall  
2 take such action as is necessary to ensure that the trust  
3 property is used only in accordance with this section.

