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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 5, 2003

Mr. BURNS (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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. LEASE OF TRIBALLY-OWNED LAND BY ASSINI-**
4 **BOINE AND SIOUX TRIBES OF THE FORT**
5 **PECK RESERVATION.**

6 The first section of the Act of August 9, 1955 (25
7 U.S.C. 415), is amended by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing:

1 “(g) LEASE OF TRIBALLY-OWNED LAND BY ASSINI-
2 BOINE AND SIOUX TRIBES OF THE FORT PECK RESERVA-
3 TION.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsection
5 (a) and any regulations under part 162 of title 25,
6 Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regu-
7 lation), subject to paragraph (2), the Assiniboine
8 and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation may
9 lease to the Northern Border Pipeline Company trib-
10 ally-owned land on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation
11 for 1 or more interstate gas pipelines.

12 “(2) CONDITIONS.—A lease entered into under
13 paragraph (1)—

14 “(A) shall commence during fiscal year
15 2011 for an initial term of 25 years;

16 “(B) may be renewed for an additional
17 term of 25 years; and

18 “(C) shall specify in the terms of the lease
19 an annual rental rate—

20 “(i) which rate shall be increased by
21 3 percent per year on a cumulative basis
22 for each 5-year period; and

23 “(ii) the adjustment of which in ac-
24 cordance with clause (i) shall be considered
25 to satisfy any review requirement under

1 part 162 of title 25, Code of Federal Regu-
2 lations (or any successor regulation).”.

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