

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4627

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 17, 2005

Mr. GIBBONS 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. VALIDATION OF RAIL CORRIDOR REAL PROP-**
4 **ERTY CONVEYANCES, RENO, NEVADA.**

5 (a) VALIDATION.—

6 (1) CONVEYANCES COVERED BY MEMORANDUM
7 OF UNDERSTANDING.—The land conveyances that

1 were made, or are to be made, to the City of Reno,
2 Nevada, by the Union Pacific Railroad Company
3 pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding for
4 Reno Rail Corridor, as amended, entered into on De-
5 cember 1, 1998, between the City of Reno and the
6 Union Pacific Railroad Company, and that comprise
7 approximately 120 acres of land originally granted
8 by the United States to the predecessor of the Union
9 Pacific Railroad Company to facilitate construction
10 of transcontinental railroads are hereby valid to the
11 extent that the conveyances would have been valid
12 had the land involved in the conveyances been held
13 by the Union Pacific Railroad Company in absolute
14 or fee-simple title at the time of the conveyances.

15 (2) ADDITIONAL CONVEYANCE.—The land con-
16 veyance made to the City of Reno, Nevada, by CTB
17 Inc., a Nevada Corporation, in the grant, bargain,
18 and sale deed dated October 22, 2002, and involving
19 a parcel of land situated in the NW¹/₄SW¹/₄ of Sec-
20 tion 11, Township 19 North, Range 9 East, Mount
21 Diablo base and meridian, is hereby valid to the ex-
22 tent that the conveyance would have been valid had
23 the land involved in the conveyance been held by
24 CTB Inc. in absolute or fee-simple title at the time
25 of the conveyance.

1 (b) RELEASE OF UNITED STATES INTERESTS.—All
2 right, title, and interest of the United States in and to
3 the land described in subsection (a) are hereby released
4 to the City of Reno, without consideration.

5 (c) FILING OF INSTRUMENTS.—As soon as prac-
6 ticable after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
7 Secretary of the Interior shall file for recordation in the
8 real property records of Washoe County, Nevada, such in-
9 struments as may be necessary to document the validation
10 of the land conveyances described in subsection (a) and
11 the release of the interests of the United States under sub-
12 section (b).

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