

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# S. 1811

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 3, 2005

Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. BENNETT) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4        This Act may be cited as the “Arthur V. Watkins  
5        Dam Enlargement Act of 2005”.

6        **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7        Congress finds the following:

1           (1) Arthur V. Watkins Dam is a feature of the  
2           Weber Basin Project, which was authorized by law  
3           on August 29, 1949.

4           (2) Increasing the height of Arthur V. Watkins  
5           Dam and construction of pertinent facilities may  
6           provide additional storage capacity for the develop-  
7           ment of additional water supply for the Weber Basin  
8           Project for uses of municipal and industrial water  
9           supply and flood control.

10 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF FEASIBILITY STUDY.**

11           The Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bu-  
12           reau of Reclamation, is authorized to conduct a feasibility  
13           study on raising the height of Arthur V. Watkins Dam  
14           for the development of additional storage to meet water  
15           supply needs within the Weber Basin Project area and the  
16           Wasatch Front. The feasibility study shall include such  
17           environmental evaluation as required under the National  
18           Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
19           seq.) and a cost allocation as required under the Reclama-  
20           tion Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485 et seq.).

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