

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3048

To provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 2007

Mr. DINGELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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claims of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

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. ACCEPTANCE OF ALTERNATIVE LANDS AND EX-**
4 **TINGUISHMENT OF CLAIMS.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this Act, the
6 following definitions apply:

7 (1) ALTERNATIVE LANDS.—The term “alter-
8 native lands” means those lands located in the city
9 of Romulus, Michigan, and identified as alternative
10 lands in the Settlement of Land Claim.

18 (b) LAND INTO TRUST: PART OF RESERVATION.—

4 (c) GAMING.—The alternative lands shall be taken
5 into trust as provided in this section as part of the settle-
6 ment and extinguishment of the Tribe's Charlotte Beach
7 land claims, and so shall be deemed lands obtained in set-
8 tlement of a land claim within the meaning of section
9 20(b)(1)(B)(i) of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25
10 U.S.C. 2719(b)(1)(B)(i)).

11 (d) EXTINGUISHMENT OF CLAIMS.—Upon the date
12 of enactment of this Act, any and all claims by the Tribe
13 to the Charlotte Beach lands or against the United States,
14 the State of Michigan or any subdivision thereof, the Gov-
15 ernor of the State of Michigan, or any other person or
16 entity by the Tribe based on or relating to claims to the
17 Charlotte Beach lands (including without limitation,
18 claims for trespass damages, use, or occupancy), whether
19 based on aboriginal or recognized title, are hereby extin-
20 guished. The extinguishment of these claims is in consid-
21 eration for the benefits to the Tribe under this Act.

22 (e) EFFECTUATION AND RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT.—
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24 (1) RATIFICATION.—The United States ap-
25 proves and ratifies the Settlement of Land Claim.

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