

113TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5020

To amend the Indian Land Consolidation Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with eligible Indian tribes to manage land buy-back programs, to authorize that certain amounts be deposited into interest bearing accounts, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 8, 2014

Mr. DAINES (for himself and Mr. COLE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Indian Tribal Self-
5 Determination in Land Consolidation Act of 2014”.

1 **SEC. 2. INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION ACT AMENDMENTS.**

2 Section 213(b)(3) of the Indian Land Consolidation
3 Act (25 U.S.C. 2212(b)(3)) is amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at
5 the end;

6 (2) in subparagraph (C)—

7 (A) by striking “may enter into agree-
8 ments (such agreements will not be subject to
9 the provisions of” and inserting “shall, at the
10 request of the tribal government, enter into
11 agreements (including contracts or compacts
12 under”; and

13 (B) by striking “and” at the end; and

14 (3) by adding at the end the following subpara-
15 graphs:

16 “(D) shall make payments to the tribal
17 government in an amount necessary to carry
18 out any such agreement upon execution of the
19 agreement or, at the discretion of the tribe,
20 consistent with periodic installments under title
21 IV of the Indian Self-Determination Act; and

22 “(E) shall authorize the tribal government
23 to use any interest earned on such payments to
24 acquire any fractional interest in, or permanent
25 improvements located on, any tract of land

1 which already has one or more trust or re-
2 stricted fractional interests; and”.

3 **SEC. 3. TRUST LAND CONSOLIDATION FUND EXTENSION.**

4 Section 101(e)(1)(b) of the Claims Resolution Act
5 (Public Law 111–291) is amended by striking “10-year”
6 and inserting “15-year”.

7 **SEC. 4. LIMITATION.**

8 Notwithstanding section 213(b) of the Indian Land
9 Consolidation Act (as amended by section 2) (25 U.S.C.
10 2212(b)) and the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-
11 cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), any funding
12 appropriated under section 101(e)(1)(C) of the Claims
13 Resolution Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–291) that is
14 made available pursuant to contracts or compacts author-
15 ized by section 213(b) of the Indian Land Consolidation
16 Act (as amended by section 2) shall be subject to the re-
17 quirements and limitations set forth in section F.2. of the
18 Class Action Settlement Agreement authorized, ratified,
19 and confirmed by the Claims Resolution Act of 2010.

20 **SEC. 5. ANNUAL REPORTS TO CONGRESS.**

21 In order to provide the Congress with periodic assess-
22 ments of the implementation of the Trust Land Consolida-
23 tion Fund, the Secretary of the Interior shall prepare and
24 submit to the Committee on Natural Resources in the
25 House of Representatives and the Committee on Indian

1 Affairs in the Senate, not later than September 30th on
2 an annual basis, a report containing the following:

3 (1) The number of cooperative agreements, con-
4 tracts, compacts, and other instruments entered into
5 with Indian tribes to carry out land consolidation.

6 (2) The number of fractionated interests pur-
7 chased and vested in tribal ownership.

8 (3) The amount drawn from the Trust Land
9 Consolidation Fund.

10 (4) The forward balance of the Trust Land
11 Consolidation Fund.

12 (5) Projections for land purchases for the dura-
13 tion of the Trust Land Consolidation Fund.

14 **SEC. 6. CONSULTATION WITH INDIAN TRIBES.**

15 The Secretary of the Interior shall implement the
16 amendments made by sections 2 and 3 in consultation
17 with Indian tribes pursuant to applicable law, including
18 regulations and executive orders.

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