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To provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 4, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Southeast Alaska Re-
5 gional Health Consortium Land Transfer Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable, but not
8 later than 180 days, after the date of enactment of this

1 Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services (re-
2 ferred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) shall convey to
3 the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located
4 in Sitka, Alaska (referred to in this Act as the “Consortium”), all right, title, and interest of the United States
5 in and to the property described in section 3 for use in
6 connection with health and social services programs.

8 (b) EFFECT ON ANY QUITCLAIM DEED.—The conveyance by the Secretary of title by warranty deed under
9 this section shall, on the effective date of the conveyance,
10 supersede and render of no future effect any quitclaim
11 deed to the property described in section 3 executed by
12 the Secretary and the Consortium.

14 (c) CONDITIONS.—The conveyance of the property
15 under this Act—

16 (1) shall be made by warranty deed; and

17 (2) shall not—

18 (A) require any consideration from the
19 Consortium for the property;

20 (B) impose any obligation, term, or condition on the Consortium; or

21 (C) allow for any reversionary interest of
22 the United States in the property.
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1 **SEC. 3. PROPERTY DESCRIBED.**

2 The property, including all land and appurtenances,
3 described in this section is the property included in U.S.
4 Survey 1496, Lots 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11A, 11A Parcel A, and
5 11B, partially surveyed Township 55 South, Range 63
6 East of the Copper River Meridian, containing 19.07
7 acres, in Sitka, Alaska.

8 **SEC. 4. ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY.**

9 (a) LIABILITY.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
11 provision of law, the Consortium shall not be liable
12 for any soil, surface water, groundwater, or other
13 contamination resulting from the disposal, release,
14 or presence of any environmental contamination on
15 any portion of the property described in section 3 on
16 or before the date on which the property is conveyed
17 to the Consortium.

18 (2) ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION.—An en-
19 vironmental contamination described in paragraph
20 (1) includes any oil or petroleum products, haz-
21 ardous substances, hazardous materials, hazardous
22 waste, pollutants, toxic substances, solid waste, or
23 any other environmental contamination or hazard as
24 defined in any Federal or State of Alaska law.

25 (b) EASEMENT.—The Secretary shall be accorded
26 any easement or access to the property conveyed under

1 this Act as may be reasonably necessary to satisfy any
2 retained obligation or liability of the Secretary.

3 (c) NOTICE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACTIVITY
4 AND WARRANTY.—In carrying out this Act, the Secretary
5 shall comply with subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section
6 120(h)(3) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response,
7 Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C.
8 9620(h)(3)).

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