

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 584.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 584, introduced by the gentleman from California (Mr. POMBO), would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish voluntary programs in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the U.S. Geological Survey, the Bureau of Reclamation and the Office of the Secretary. With this authority, these four bureaus would be able to parallel the successful volunteer programs in the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to recruit volunteers to assist with or facilitate the activities within the agencies.

Over 200,000 volunteers annually serve as campground hosts, clear trails, help with seasonal bird surveys, collect new information for maps and assist with many other day-to-day activities. Simply put, volunteers provide the Department of the Interior vital services to help it meet its mission responsibilities. Volunteer programs within the Department also provide outstanding opportunities for community service and public involvement in conservation programs.

H.R. 584 is identical to legislation that was supported by the majority and minority and passed the House of Representatives with a voice vote during the 108th Congress. I urge adoption of the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mrs. CHRISTENSEN asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, the majority has explained the purpose of this legislation which the gentleman from California (Mr. POMBO) introduced at the administration's request. The gentleman from California (Mr. POMBO) succeeded in moving this legislation through the House during the last Congress, including several changes made at the request of the minority. We appreciate the chairman's decision to include those changes in H.R. 584 as well, and urge our colleagues to support this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I have no additional speakers, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 584.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

**DIRECTING SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR TO CONVEY CERTAIN LAND HELD IN TRUST FOR PAIUTE INDIAN TRIBE OF UTAH TO CITY OF RICHFIELD, UTAH**

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 680) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land held in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to the City of Richfield, Utah, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 680

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. LAND CONVEYANCE TO CITY.**

(a) AUTHORIZATION FOR CONVEYANCE.—Not later than 90 days after the Secretary receives a request from the Tribe and the City to convey all right, title, and interest of the United States and the Tribe in and to the Property to the City, the Secretary shall take the Property out of trust status and convey the Property to the City.

(b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The conveyance under subsection (a) shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) TRIBAL RESOLUTION.—Prior to conveying the Property under subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure that the terms of the sale have been approved by a tribal resolution of the Tribe.

(2) CONSIDERATION.—Consideration given by the City for the Property shall be not less than the appraised fair market value of the Property.

(3) NO FEDERAL COST.—The City shall pay all costs related to the conveyance authorized under this section.

(c) PROCEEDS OF SALE.—The proceeds from the conveyance of the Property under this section shall be given immediately to the Tribe.

(d) FAILURE TO MAKE CONVEYANCE.—If after the Secretary takes the Property out of trust status pursuant to subsection (a) the City or the Tribe elect not to carry out the conveyance under that subsection, the Secretary shall take the Property back into trust for the benefit of the Tribe.

**SEC. 2. TRIBAL RESERVATION.**

Land acquired by the United States in trust for the Tribe after February 17, 1984, shall be part of the Tribe's reservation.

**SEC. 3. TRUST LAND FOR SHIVWITS OR KANOSH BANDS.**

If requested to do so by a tribal resolution of the Tribe, the Secretary shall take land held in trust by the United States for the benefit of the Tribe out of such trust status and take that land into trust for the Shivwits or Kanosh Bands of the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, as so requested by the Tribe.

**SEC. 4. CEDAR BAND OF PAIUTES TECHNICAL CORRECTION.**

The Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah Restoration Act (25 U.S.C. 761) is amended by strik-

ing "Cedar City" each place it appears and inserting "Cedar". Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the "Cedar City Band of Paiute Indians" shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Cedar Band of Paiute Indians".

**SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

For the purposes of this Act:

(1) CITY.—The term "City" means the City of Richfield, Utah.

(2) PROPERTY.—The term "Property" means the parcel of land held by the United States in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah located in Section 2, Township 24 South, Range 3 West, Salt Lake Base and Meridian, Sevier County, Utah and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of the Highway which is West 0.50 chains, more or less, and South 8° 21' West, 491.6 feet from the Northeast Corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 24 South, Range 3 West, Salt Lake Base and Meridian, and running thence South 81° 39' East, perpendicular to the highway, 528.0 feet; thence South 26° 31' West, 354.6 feet; thence North 63° 29' West, 439.3 feet to said highway; thence North 8° 21' East, along Easterly line of said highway 200.0 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3.0 acres more or less.

(3) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(4) TRIBE.—The term "Tribe" means the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) and the gentlewoman from the Virgin Islands (Mrs. CHRISTENSEN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 680.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 680 is sponsored by the gentleman from Utah (Mr. CANNON). The legislation authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to take a three-acre parcel of land owned by the Paiute Indian Tribe out of trust so that the tribe can sell it to the City of Richfield, Utah. The land would be sold only on a willing seller's basis for fair market value and would be used by the city to expand its municipal airport.

The bill also authorizes the Secretary to transfer three parcels of trust land to two of the Tribe's constituent bands. The parcels, each of which is one acre or less, will remain in trust for the benefit of the individual bands.

Finally, H.R. 680 changes the name of the Cedar City Band of Paiute Indians of Utah to the Cedar Band of Paiute Indians of Utah.

The tribe and all local entities support the bill. An identical version of this bill was passed in the House on October 10, 2004, but no action occurred in

the Senate before the Congress adjourned.

I urge the adoption of this non-controversial bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mrs. CHRISTENSEN asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, as Congressional action is required for lands in trust to be sold and the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah has contacted us for assistance, we are supportive of authorizing the Secretary to convey these lands as directed by the Tribe. We support the Tribe's sovereign decision to sell these lands and wish them the best in further economic development.

We urge our colleagues to support H.R. 680.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I have no additional speakers, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 680.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### NEVADA NATIONAL FOREST LAND DISPOSAL ACT OF 2005

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 816) to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain parcels of National Forest System land in Carson City and Douglas County, Nevada.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 816

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Nevada National Forest Land Disposal Act of 2005".

#### SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) The United States owns, and the Forest Service administers, land in small and large parcels in Carson City and Douglas County, Nevada.

(2) Much of this Federal land is interspersed with or adjacent to private land, which renders the Federal land difficult, inefficient, and expensive for the Forest Service to manage and more appropriate for disposal.

(3) In order to promote responsible and orderly development in Carson City and Douglas County, Nevada, appropriate parcels of the Federal land should be sold by the Federal Government based on recommendations made by units of local government and the public.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to provide for the sale of certain parcels of National Forest System land in Carson City and Douglas County, Nevada.

#### SEC. 3. DISPOSAL OF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LANDS, CARSON CITY AND DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEVADA.

(a) DISPOSAL REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Agriculture (in this section referred to as the "Secretary") shall sell any right, title, or interest of the United States in and to the following parcels of National Forest System lands in Carson City or Douglas County, Nevada:

(1) The parcel of land referred to as the "Carson Parcel", consisting of approximately 3 acres, and more particularly described as being a portion of the southeast quarter, section 31, township 15 north, range 20 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(2) The parcel of land referred to as the "Jacks Valley/Highway 395 Parcel", consisting of approximately 28 acres, and more particularly described as being a portion of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter, section 6, township 14 north, range 20 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(3) The parcel of land referred to as the "Indian Hills Parcel", consisting of approximately 75 acres, and more particularly described as being a portion of the southwest quarter, section 18, township 14 north, range 20 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(4) The parcel of land referred to as the "Mountain House Area Parcel", consisting of approximately 40 acres, and more particularly described as being a portion of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter, section 12, township 10 north, range 21 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(5) The parcel of land referred to as the "Holbrook Junction Area Parcel", consisting of approximately 80 acres, and more particularly described as being a portion of the west half of the southwest quarter, section 7, township 10 north, range 22 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(6) The two parcels of land referred to as the "Topaz Lake Parcels", consisting of approximately 5 acres (approximately 2.5 acres per parcel), and more particularly described as being portions of the northwest quarter, section 29, township 10 north, range 22 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

(b) MODIFICATION OF DESCRIPTIONS.—The Secretary may—

(1) correct typographical or clerical errors in the descriptions of land specified in subsection (a); and

(2) for the purposes of soliciting offers for the sale of such land, modify the descriptions based on—

(A) a survey; or

(B) a determination by the Secretary that the modification is in the best interest of the public.

(c) SELECTION AND SALE.—

(1) COORDINATION.—The Secretary shall coordinate the sale of land under this section with the unit of local government in which the land is located.

(2) EXISTING RIGHTS.—The sale of land under this section shall be subject to all valid existing rights, such as rights-of-way, in effect as of the date of the sale. In the case of the parcel described in subsection (a)(2), all access rights in and to United States Highway 395, together with any and all abutter's rights adjacent to the westerly right-of-way line of such highway, within the parcel shall be restricted.

(3) ZONING LAWS.—The sale of land under this section shall be in accordance with local land use planning and zoning laws and regulations.

(4) SOLICITATIONS OF OFFERS.—The Secretary shall solicit offers for the sale of land under this section, subject to any terms or

conditions that the Secretary may prescribe. The Secretary may reject any offer made under this section if the Secretary determines that the offer is not adequate or not in the public interest.

(5) METHOD OF SALE.—The Secretary shall sell the land described in subsection (a) at public auction.

(d) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.—

(1) PAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS.—Of the gross proceeds from any sale of land under this section, the Secretary shall—

(A) pay five percent to the State of Nevada for use for the general education program of the State;

(B) pay five percent to the Carson Water Subconservancy District in the State;

(C) deposit 25 percent in the fund established under Public Law 90-171 (commonly known as the "Sisk Act"; 16 U.S.C. 484a); and

(D) retain and use, without further appropriation, the remaining funds for the purpose of expanding the Minden Interagency Dispatch Center in Minden, Nevada, as provided in paragraph (3).

(2) USE OF SISK ACT FUNDS.—The amounts deposited under paragraph (1)(C) shall be available to the Secretary until expended, without further appropriation, for the following purposes:

(A) Reimbursement of costs incurred by the local offices of the Forest Service in carrying out land sales under this section, except that the total amount of reimbursement may not exceed 10 percent of the total proceeds of the lands sales.

(B) The development and maintenance of parks, trails, and natural areas in Carson City, Douglas County, or Washoe County, Nevada, in accordance with a cooperative agreement entered into with the unit of local government in which the park, trail, or natural area is located.

(3) MINDEN INTERAGENCY DISPATCH CENTER.—The Minden Interagency Dispatch Center is located on land made available by the State of Nevada in Minden, Nevada, and will serve as a joint facility for the Forest Service and the Nevada Division of Forestry for the purpose of fighting wildland fires. The expansion of the center shall include living quarters and office space for the Blackmountain Hotshot Crew, a guard station for housing engines and patrol vehicles, an air traffic control tower, a training facility, and a warehouse.

(4) LIMITATION.—None of the amounts made available to the Carson Water Subconservancy District under paragraph (1)(B) shall be used to pay the costs of litigation.

(e) RELATION TO OTHER PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LAWS.—The land described in subsection (a) shall not be subject to chapter 5 of title 40, United States Code.

(f) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights, all Federal land described in subsection (a) is withdrawn from location, entry, and patent under the public land laws, mining laws, and mineral leasing laws, including geothermal leasing laws.

(g) REVOCATION OF PUBLIC LAND ORDERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—To facilitate the sale of parcels of land described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall revoke any public land orders in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act that withdraw the parcels from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, to the extent that the orders apply to land described in such subsection (a).

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—A revocation under paragraph (1) shall be effective on the date on which the instrument conveying the parcels of land subject to the public land order is executed.

(h) REPORT.—The Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Resources of the House of