

6 of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act (16 U.S.C. 410y-4), except that the Commission shall terminate 10 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

S. 609

*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 “San Juan County Federal Land Conveyance Act”.

#### SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) **FEDERAL LAND.**—The term “Federal land” means the approximately 19 acres of Federal surface estate generally depicted as “Lands Authorized for Conveyance” on the map.

(2) **LANDOWNER.**—The term “landowner” means the plaintiffs in the case styled *Blancett v. United States Department of the Interior*, et al., No. 10-cv-00254-JAP-KBM, United States District Court for the District of New Mexico.

(3) **MAP.**—The term “map” means the map entitled “San Juan County Land Conveyance” and dated June 20, 2012.

(4) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(5) **STATE.**—The term “State” means the State of New Mexico.

#### SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN FEDERAL LAND IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—On request of the landowner, the Secretary shall, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe and subject to valid existing rights, convey to the landowner all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to any portion of the Federal land (including any improvements or appurtenances to the Federal land) by sale.

(b) **SURVEY; ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.**—

(1) **SURVEY.**—The exact acreage and legal description of the Federal land to be conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey approved by the Secretary.

(2) **COSTS.**—The administrative costs associated with the conveyance shall be paid by the landowner.

(c) **CONSIDERATION.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—As consideration for the conveyance of the Federal land under subsection (a), the landowner shall pay to the Secretary an amount equal to the fair market value of the Federal land conveyed, as determined under paragraph (2).

(2) **APPRAISAL.**—The fair market value of any Federal land that is conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined by an appraisal acceptable to the Secretary that is performed in accordance with—

(A) the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions;

(B) the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice; and

(C) any other applicable law (including regulations).

(d) **DISPOSITION AND USE OF PROCEEDS.**—

(1) **DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.**—The Secretary shall deposit the proceeds of any conveyance of Federal land under subsection (a) in a special account in the Treasury for use in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) **USE OF PROCEEDS.**—Amounts deposited under paragraph (1) shall be available to the Secretary, without further appropriation and until expended, for the acquisition of land or interests in land from willing sellers in the State for resource protection that is consistent with the purposes for which the Bald Eagle Area of Critical Environmental Concern in the State was established.

(e) **ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**—The Secretary may require such additional

terms and conditions for a conveyance under subsection (a) as the Secretary determines to be appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

(f) **WITHDRAWAL.**—Subject to valid existing rights, the Federal land is withdrawn from—

(1) location, entry, and patent under the mining laws; and

(2) disposition under all laws relating to mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

#### MAJOR GENERAL WILLIAM H. GOURLEY VA-DOD OUTPATIENT CLINIC

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 272.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 272) to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense joint outpatient clinic to be constructed in Marina, California, as the “Major General William H. Gourley VA-DOD Outpatient Clinic.”

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times and passed, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 272) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### DR. CAMERON MCKINLEY DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS VETERANS CENTER

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1216.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1216) to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Vet Center in Prescott, Arizona, as the “Dr. Cameron McKinley Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Center.”

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 1216) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### DESIGNATING OCTOBER 30, 2014, AS A NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM WORKERS

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be dis-

charged from further consideration of S. Res. 417.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 417) designating October 30, 2014, as national day of remembrance for nuclear weapons program workers.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 417) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of Tuesday, April 8, 2014, under “Submitted Resolutions.”)

Mr. REID. Mr. President, this a very important piece of legislation. Most of the nuclear weapons program workers are in Nevada, at the Nevada test site. At one time we had 12,000 people working there on a weapons program and many of them got sick because we didn't know the dangers of nuclear weapons. We had many of them sitting above ground and soldiers and workers would be out there with stuff floating around. People can drive out there, if they can get through all the security checkpoints, but they have bleachers still there that were set up to watch the nuclear weapons go off. Then we had about 1,000 nuclear devices at the Nevada test site that were detonated above ground, in tunnels, in shafts. So there truly does need to be a day of remembrance, and I congratulate those Senators who have moved this forward.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND CAREER OF CHARLES “CHUCK” NOLL

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 497.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 497) honoring the life and career of Charles “Chuck” Noll.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 497) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 2578 AND S. 2579

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I am told that there are two bills at the desk, and I ask for their first reading en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bills by title for the first time en bloc.

The assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2578) to ensure that employers cannot interfere in their employees' birth control and other health care decisions.

A bill (S. 2579) to require the Secretary of State to offer rewards totaling up to \$5,000,000 for information on the kidnapping and murder of Naftali Fraenkel, a dual United States-Israeli citizen, that began on June 12, 2014.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading on these two bills but object to my own request en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

The bills will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

Mr. REID. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I had a conversation with the Republican leader on Monday, and we went over the things we have to do this work period. We have a lot to do. One of the things we are trying to do—because we have so much going on around the country; namely, in our States—is we want to try to balance what we do and, frankly, we have some people running for office. But we have made great progress this week so far. We have been able to reach agreement on a number of things that we believe are important.

So having said that—and I have gone over what we are going to do in the next few days—I think it would be appropriate to announce to everyone that we are going to not have any votes on

Monday. We have work we are going to have to do here Monday, but we are not going to have any votes. I think it is important Senators know that. We were planning on having a number of votes on Monday. I think that is not necessary now.

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2014

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 10, 2014; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business until 12:00 noon, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each and the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees; that following morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session as provided under the previous order; finally, that the filing deadline for first-degree amendments to S. 2363 be at 10:30 a.m. and the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be at 11:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we hope to reach agreement to have the cloture vote around noon tomorrow on the Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act. Under a previous order, there will be a rollcall vote at 2 p.m. There will be a couple of voice votes after that.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the proves order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:46 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, July 10, 2014, at 10 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

##### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JESS LIPPINCOTT BAILY, OF OHIO, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Macedonia.

JUDITH BETH CEFKIN, OF COLORADO, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Fiji, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Kiribati, the Republic of Nauru, the Kingdom of Tonga, and Tuvalu.

ROBERT FRANCIS CEKUTA, OF NEW YORK, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Azerbaijan.

STAFFORD FITZGERALD HANEY, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Costa Rica.

##### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

ELIZABETH SHERWOOD-RANDALL, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF ENERGY, VICE DANIEL B. PONEMAN.

##### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MICHELE JEANNE SISON, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE THE DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary, AND THE DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

MICHELE JEANNE SISON, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS, DURING HER TENURE OF SERVICE AS DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

MARGARET ANN UYEHARA, OF OHIO, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Montenegro.

JAMES PETER ZUMWALT, OF CALIFORNIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Senegal and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

#### CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate July 9, 2014:

##### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

DARCI L. VETTER, OF NEBRASKA, TO BE CHIEF AGRICULTURAL NEGOTIATOR, OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR.

##### NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

WILLIAM D. ADAMS, OF MAINE, TO BE CHAIRPERSON OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

##### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

JULIAN CASTRO, OF TEXAS, TO BE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

#### WITHDRAWAL

Executive Message transmitted by the President to the Senate on July 9, 2014 withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nomination:

ELIZABETH M. ROBINSON, OF WASHINGTON, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF ENERGY, VICE KRISTINA M. JOHNSON, RESIGNED, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON JANUARY 6, 2014.