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S 1389

Homestake Mine Conveyance Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Aug 3, 2001

Current Status: Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.

Latest Action: Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill. (Dec 19,

2001)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Daschle, Thomas A. [D-SD]

Party: Democratic • State: SD • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	$D \cdot SD$		Aug 3, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Nov 16, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 15, 2001)

Homestake Mine Conveyance Act of 2001 - Prescribes procedural guidelines for the conveyance by the Homestake Mining Company of California of certain portions of the Homestake Mine to the State of South Dakota (the State), for national underground laboratory scientific research purposes.

(Sec. 4) Conditions such conveyance upon acceptance by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of a specified due diligence Mine inspection report conducted by an independent entity.

Sets forth EPA review and approval parameters.

(Sec. 6) Prescribes guidelines for Federal assumption of liability for specified damages including: (1) reclamation; (2) hazardous substance response; and (3) closure of the Mine and the national laboratory therein.

(Sec. 7) Requires the State to obtain: (1) property and liability insurance for the Mine and operation of the laboratory; and (2) unemployment compensation insurance and worker's compensation insurance.

(Sec. 8) Requires the State to: (1) establish an Environment and Project Trust Fund to pay for designated environmental and Mine closure expenses; and (2) obtain the approval of the Administrator before disposing of any material quantity of laboratory waste rock if the disposal site is on land not conveyed under this Act, and the State determines that such disposal could result in commingling of laboratory waste rock with waste rock disposed of by Homestake before such conveyance date.

(Sec. 11) States that this Act shall be effective contingent upon the selection of the Mine by the National Science Foundation as a national underground laboratory site.

(Sec. 15) Amends title IV part A of the Social Security Act (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) (TANF) to rescind by \$100 million the appropriations for bonus payments to the States to reward decreases in the illegitimacy ratio.

Instructs the Director of the Congressional Budget Office and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to project the baseline assumption with respect to the amount of bonus grants for fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter without regard to such rescinded amount.

Actions Timeline

- Dec 19, 2001: Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.
- Dec 18, 2001: Mr. Cannon moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- Dec 18, 2001: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H10214-10219)
- Dec 18, 2001: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 1389.
- Dec 18, 2001: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H10214-10217)
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- Dec 18, 2001: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Nov 16, 2001: Received in the House.
- Nov 16, 2001: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Nov 16, 2001: Held at the desk.
- Nov 15, 2001: Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works discharged by Unanimous Consent.
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- Nov 15, 2001: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S11916)
- Nov 15, 2001: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Nov 15, 2001: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Aug 3, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- Aug 3, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8963-8964)
- Aug 3, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8964-8966)