

HR 447

To require the Secretary of the Interior to make reimbursement for certain damages incurred as a result of bonding regulations adopted by the Bureau of Land Management on February 28, 1997, and subsequently determined to be in violation of Federal law.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** NV • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 15, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 6, 2001)

Directs the Secretary of the Interior to reimburse all private and public entities for all monetary damages incurred as a result of bonding regulations promulgated on February 28, 1997, that were determined by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia on May 13, 1998, to have been adopted in violation of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Allows any private or public entity to submit a claim for such damages. Directs the Secretary to reimburse a claimant within 90 days unless the Secretary finds that the damages were not caused by such regulations. Grants any such entity that submits such a claim that is rejected by the Secretary: (1) a right to an appeal to State court; and (2) the right to a civil trial by jury if the amount in dispute, including litigation costs, is \$20,000 or greater.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 15, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Feb 15, 2001:** Executive Comment Requested from Interior.
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- **Feb 6, 2001:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.