

S 210

Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Protection Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]

Party: Democratic • **State:** NM • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Feb 12, 2003
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 10, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 506	Identical bill	Mar 19, 2004: Became Public Law No: 108-208.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported in the Senate on February 11, 2003. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Protection Act - (Sec. 3) Designates specified archaeological sites in New Mexico as the Galisteo Basin Archaeological Protection Sites.

(Sec. 4) Requires the Secretary of the Interior to: (1) continue to search for additional Native American and Spanish colonial sites in the Galisteo Basin area; and (2) submit to Congress recommendations for additions to, deletions from, and modifications of the boundaries of such sites.

(Sec. 5) Directs the Secretary to administer archaeological protection sites located on Federal land in accordance with this Act and other applicable laws in a manner that will protect, preserve, and maintain the archaeological resources and provide for research thereon. Requires the Secretary to submit to specified congressional committees a general management plan (the plan) for the identification, research, protection, and public interpretation of the archaeological protection sites located on Federal lands, and those sites located on private and State lands for which the Secretary has entered into discretionary Cooperative Agreements with their owners for the protection, preservation, maintenance, and administration of their archaeological resources and associated lands.

Directs the Secretary to consult with various parties in developing the plan, including: (1) the Governor of New Mexico; and (2) affected Native American pueblos.

(Sec. 7) Authorizes the Secretary to acquire lands and interests within the boundaries of the archaeological protection sites, and access to them, by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, or by exchange. Requires the consent of the owner thereof for such transactions. Limits to donation or exchange the Secretary's acquisition authority for lands or interests owned by the State of New Mexico or a local government, except that State trust land may be acquired only by exchange.

(Sec. 8) Withdraws all Federal lands within the sites, subject to valid existing rights, from: (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws; (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining laws; and (3) disposition under all laws relating to mineral and geothermal leasing.

(Sec. 9) States that this Act shall not be construed, among other things, to: (1) authorize regulation of privately owned lands within an archaeological protection site; or (2) restrict or limit an Indian tribe from protecting cultural or religious sites on tribal land.

(Sec. 10) Authorizes appropriations.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 10, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
- **Mar 5, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Mar 5, 2003:** Received in the House.
- **Mar 5, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- **Mar 4, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S3104-3105; text as passed Senate: CR S3104-3105)
- **Mar 4, 2003:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S3104-3105; text as passed Senate: CR S3104-3105)
- **Feb 11, 2003:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici without amendment. With written report No. 108-7.
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- **Feb 11, 2003:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 15.
- **Feb 5, 2003:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 23, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 23, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1485)
- **Jan 23, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1485-1486)