

S 246

A bill to provide that certain Bureau of Land Management land shall be held in trust for the Pueblo of Santa Clara and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso in the State of New Mexico.

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Native Americans

Introduced: Jan 29, 2003

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Law: 108-66 (Enacted Jul 30, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 29, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Feb 27, 2003
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 17, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Native Americans

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 507	Related bill	Feb 12, 2003: Executive Comment Requested from Interior.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on June 16, 2003. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

(Sec. 2) Declares the right, title, and interest of the United States in certain tracts of land in Rio Arriba County and in Rio Arriba and Santa Fe Counties, New Mexico, to be held in trust for the Pueblo of Santa Clara and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso, respectively (including mineral rights), as part of the Santa Clara Reservation and the San Ildefonso Reservation.

(Sec. 4) Directs the Office of Cadastral Survey to conduct a survey of the boundary lines between the properties.

(Sec. 5) Subjects the trust lands and other lands in the Santa Clara Pueblo Grant and the San Ildefonso Pueblo Grant that are held by the respective tribes or subsequently acquired by them to the Pueblo Lands Act of 1924.

Requires trust lands to be used only for traditional or customary uses or stewardship conservation. Prohibits trust lands from being used for any new commercial developments beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(Sec. 6) Prohibits this Act from being construed to: (1) affect any person's (other than the United States') existing right-of-way, lease, permit, mining claim, grazing permit, water right, or other right or interest in or to the trust lands; (2) affect any existing right or claim of either Pueblo to any lands or interest in lands based upon Aboriginal or Indian title; or (3) constitute the reservation of water or water rights in the trust lands or any change in status of water rights of either Pueblo.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 30, 2003:** Signed by President.
- **Jul 30, 2003:** Became Public Law No: 108-66.
- **Jul 22, 2003:** Presented to President.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** Mr. Pearce moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6877-6878)
- **Jul 16, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 246.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H6877-6878)
- **Jul 16, 2003:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6877-6878)
- **Jul 16, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 17, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jun 17, 2003:** Received in the House.
- **Jun 17, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- **Jun 16, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S7934-7935; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S7934-7935; text as passed Senate: CR S7935)
- **Jun 16, 2003:** Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7934-7935; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S7934-7935; text as passed Senate: CR S7935)
- **Jun 9, 2003:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici with amendments. With written report No. 108-60.
- **Jun 9, 2003:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 124.
- **May 21, 2003:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 108-10.
- **Jan 29, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 29, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1749)
- **Jan 29, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1749-1850)

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