

HR 4301

Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal Land Conveyance Act of 2006

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Water Resources Development

Introduced: Nov 10, 2005

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (Jul 25, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Herseth, Stephanie [D-SD-At Large]

Party: Democratic • **State:** SD • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 25, 2006
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 21, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 2205	Identical bill	Dec 22, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-458.

Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal Land Conveyance Act of 2006 - Deauthorizes the Blunt Reservoir feature of the Oahe Unit, James Division, authorized as part of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin Program.

Allows preferential leaseholders of parcels of the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal features an option to purchase the land they lease from the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, or the Commission of Schools and Public Lands of South Dakota. Prescribes terms for such purchases, the option exercise period, and the basis for parcel valuation.

Directs the Secretary to convey all preferential lease parcels not purchased by the leaseholder and the nonpreferential leased parcels and unleased parcels of the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal to the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, to be used for mitigating the wildlife habitat that was lost as a result of the development of the Pick-Sloan project.

Authorizes: (1) the state of South Dakota to accept certain conditions of conveyance, including that it receives the land conveyed in "as is" condition and accepts liability accruing as a result of ownership, operation, and maintenance of the features; and (2) the Commission, with the Department's concurrence, to allow a person to exchange other land in South Dakota for a nonpreferential lease parcel or unleased parcel at Blunt Reservoir or Pierre Canal.

Directs the Secretary to transfer all archeological and cultural resource items collected from the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal Features to the South Dakota State Historical Society.

Authorizes appropriations.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 25, 2006:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Jul 24, 2006:** Mr. Walden (OR) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 24, 2006:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5616-5618)
- **Jul 24, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4301.
- **Jul 24, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5616-5617)
- **Jul 24, 2006:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 24, 2006:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5616-5617)
- **Jul 20, 2006:** Reported by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. 109-588.
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- **Jul 20, 2006:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 339.
- **Jun 21, 2006:** Subcommittee on Water and Power Discharged.
- **Jun 21, 2006:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 21, 2006:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Feb 8, 2006:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Nov 16, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
- **Nov 10, 2005:** Introduced in House
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- **Nov 10, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E2335)
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