

HR 481

Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Trust Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Law: 109-45 (Enacted Aug 2, 2005)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Musgrave, Marilyn N. [R-CO-4]

Party: Republican • State: CO • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Feb 1, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Jul 26, 2005
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	May 18, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 57	Related bill	Jul 26, 2005: Indefinitely postponed by Senate by Unanimous Consent.

**(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on June 8, 2005. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Trust Act of 2005 - Authorizes the United States to take into trust specified real property formerly known as Dawson Ranch, including rights to all minerals and excluding improvements, in Kiowa County, Colorado, owned by the Cheyenne and Arapaho Indian Tribes of Oklahoma.

Directs the Tribes to convey title to the Dawson Ranch to the United States.

Declares that all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the Ranch except any facilities constructed pursuant to this Act, are to be held in trust by the United States for the Tribes.

Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to acquire by donation the improvements in fee. Permits the Secretary to construct a facility on the Ranch only after consulting with, soliciting advice from, and obtaining the agreement of, the Tribe, the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, and the Northern Arapaho Tribe. States that: (1) facilities constructed with federal funds or funds donated to the United States shall be owned in fee by the United States; and (2) for purposes of the construction, maintenance, or demolition of improvements or facilities, federal funds shall be expended only on improvements or facilities that are owned in fee by the United States.

Requires the Ranch to be administered in perpetuity by the Secretary as part of the Site only for historical, traditional, cultural, and other uses in accordance with the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000. Requires that, for purposes of administration, the Secretary shall have access to the Ranch, improvements, and facilities as necessary for the management of the Site in accordance with the Act. Instructs the Secretary to take such action as is necessary to ensure that the Ranch is used only in accordance with all such requirements for the administration of the Ranch.

Amends the Act to allow the Secretary to acquire land and interests in land within the boundaries of the Site which are owned by the state of Colorado (including a political subdivision of that state) only by donation or exchange (currently, only by donation).

## Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 2, 2005:** Signed by President.
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- **Aug 2, 2005:** Became Public Law No: 109-45.
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- **Jul 27, 2005:** Presented to President.
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- **Jul 26, 2005:** Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S9052)
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- **Jul 26, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jul 26, 2005:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jul 26, 2005:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 26, 2005:** Cleared for White House.
- **Jun 28, 2005:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Mr. Fortuno moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5200-5202)
- **Jun 27, 2005:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 481.
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5200)
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- **Jun 27, 2005:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 8, 2005:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. 109-107.
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- **Jun 8, 2005:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 59.
- **May 18, 2005:** Subcommittee on National Parks Discharged.
- **May 18, 2005:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 18, 2005:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 14, 2005:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 10, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks.
- **Feb 1, 2005:** Introduced in House
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