

HR 523

Douglas County, Washington, PUD Conveyance Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Hastings, Doc [R-WA-4]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Feb 27, 2008
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Oct 10, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on October 22, 2007. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Douglas County, Washington, PUD Conveyance Act - Directs the Secretary of the Interior, if the Public Utility District No. 1 of Douglas County, Washington (PUD), submits to the Secretary an offer to acquire certain public land managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for the appraised value, to convey to the PUD all interest of the United States in and to the public land.

Requires: (1) the PUD to pay to the Secretary an amount equal to the appraised value of the public land, as determined according to this Act; and (2) any costs related to such conveyance to be paid by the PUD.

Requires the deposit of the proceeds from such land sale in the Federal Land Disposal Account established pursuant to the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, which shall be spent for improving access to public lands administered by the BLM in the state of Washington.

Withdraws the public land from: (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws; (2) location, entry, and patenting under the mining laws; and (3) operation of the mineral leasing, mineral materials, and geothermal leasing laws. Terminates such requirement for withdrawal of the public land two years after enactment of this Act or upon the completion of the conveyance under this Act.

Instructs the Secretary to retain the authority to place conditions on the license granted to the Secretary under the Federal Power Act to insure adequate protection and utilization of the public land until the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has issued a new license for the Wells Hydroelectric Project to replace the original license expiring on May 31, 2012.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 16, 2008:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Bingaman without amendment. With written report No. 110-378.
- **Jun 16, 2008:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 810.
- **May 7, 2008:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 27, 2008:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held.
- **Oct 23, 2007:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Oct 22, 2007:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 110-398.
- **Oct 22, 2007:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 252.
- **Oct 22, 2007:** Mr. Grijalva moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 22, 2007:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H11789-11790)
- **Oct 22, 2007:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 523.
- **Oct 22, 2007:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Oct 22, 2007:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H11818-11819)
- **Oct 22, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 377 - 0 (Roll no. 984).(text: CR H11789)
- **Oct 22, 2007:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 377 - 0 (Roll no. 984). (text: CR H11789)
- **Oct 22, 2007:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 10, 2007:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 10, 2007:** Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands Discharged.
- **Oct 10, 2007:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **May 10, 2007:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 7, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.
- **Jan 17, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 17, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.