

HR 1651

Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act Reauthorization of 2015

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Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Apr 15, 2015
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Rep. Polis, Jared [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Apr 15, 2015
Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Love, Mia B. [R-UT-4]	R · UT		Oct 21, 2015
Rep. Gibson, Christopher P. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Feb 29, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 8, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 2406	Related bill	Mar 1, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
114 S 2189	Related bill	Oct 21, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
114 HR 3173	Related bill	Aug 31, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.

Summary (as of Mar 26, 2015)

Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act Reauthorization of 2015

Amends the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act (FLTFA) to reauthorize, until July 25, 2020, the program for the completion of appraisals and satisfaction of other legal requirements for the sale or exchange of public land identified for disposal under approved land use plans under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

Directs the Department of the Interior to: (1) establish and maintain a database containing a comprehensive list of all of the public land identified for disposal under such plans, and (2) make such database available to the public on the website of Interior.

Allows a state to use any funds made available from the Federal Land Disposal Account for same-state purchases that are not obligated or expended by the end of the fourth fiscal year after the sale or exchange of the land that generated such funds.

Instructs Interior and the Department of Agriculture, in prioritizing the acquisition of inholdings and non-federal lands with exceptional resources, to consider the extent to which the acquisition of the land or interest therein will increase public availability of resources for, and facilitate public access to, hunting, fishing, and other recreational activities.

Requires any remaining balance in the Federal Land Disposal Account to be deposited into the Treasury and used for deficit reduction, except that in the case of a fiscal year for which there is no federal budget deficit, such amounts shall be used to reduce the federal debt.

Makes the FLTFA inapplicable to land eligible for sale under specified public land laws.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 8, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Mar 26, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 26, 2015:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E437)
- **Mar 26, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.