

S 2560

Reclamation Title Transfer Act of 2018

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 28, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill authorizes the Bureau of Reclamation to convey to a qualifying entity all U.S. interest in any eligible facility, if: (1) by 90 days before the date on which Reclamation makes the conveyance, it submits to Congress a written notice of the proposed conveyance and a description of the reasons for the conveyance; and (2) a joint resolution disapproving the conveyance is not enacted before the date on which it makes the conveyance. Reclamation must convey with all applicable federal environmental laws before making a conveyance.

"Qualifying entity" means an agency of a state or political subdivision of a state, a joint action or powers agency, a water users association, or an Indian tribe or tribal authority that: (1) as of the date of conveyance, is the current operator of the conveyed facility pursuant to a contract with Reclamation; and (2) as determined by Reclamation, has the capacity to continue to manage the conveyed property for the same purposes for which the property has been managed under the reclamation laws.

Effective beginning on the date of conveyance, the United States shall not be liable for damages arising out of any act, omission, or occurrence based on prior ownership or operation of the conveyed property.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 28, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 115-395.
- **Nov 28, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 681.
- **Oct 2, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 22, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 115-511.
- **Mar 15, 2018:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 15, 2018:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.