

S 440

A bill to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Dickinson Reservoir in the State of North Dakota.

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Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Feb 17, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 14, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6038	Text similarities	Aug 14, 2018: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 696.

(Sec. 2) This bill requires the Bureau of Reclamation, within five years, to convey certain recreation land and permitted cabin land around the Dickinson Dam and Reservoir to the Dickinson Parks and Recreation Department in Dickinson, North Dakota. The department must pay administrative costs related to the conveyance, but no other costs.

The department must manage the conveyed recreational land for certain recreation and public purposes, public access, fish and wildlife habitat, or the preservation of the natural character of the recreation land. The department may continue to permit haying and grazing on such recreational land if those activities are authorized under a contract that is in effect on this bill's enactment. In addition, the department must manage the conveyed permitted cabin land for (1) existing cabins or recreational residences, or (2) certain recreational land management purposes. The conveyed land reverts to the United States if the land is used in a manner that is inconsistent with the authorized uses.

The department must charge fair market value for the sale of a parcel of permitted cabin land. However, improvements made by the permittee may not be included in the valuation. The department must pay Reclamation the amount of sale proceeds that exceed the costs of preparing the sale.

Any amount paid to Reclamation for the land conveyed must be made available to Reclamation, subject to the availability of appropriations made in advance, for activities relating to the operation of the Dickinson Dam and Reservoir.

(Sec. 3) Within five years, Reclamation must convey to North Dakota a game and fish headquarters currently leased by the North Dakota Game and Fish Department. The headquarters must continue to be used as a game and fish headquarters.

(Sec. 4) The bill specifies that the conveyances made under this bill are subject to certain reservations, easements, and rights, including the requirements of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin Program.

The bill exempts the United States from liability for certain damages, including flood damage to property subject to a permit.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 11, 2018:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 11, 2018:** Became Public Law No: 115-306.
- **Nov 29, 2018:** Presented to President.
- **Nov 28, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 27, 2018:** Resolving differences -- Senate actions: Senate agreed to the House amendment to the Senate bill by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S7141)
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- **Nov 14, 2018:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.
- **Nov 13, 2018:** Mr. Lamborn moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Nov 13, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H9480-9482)
- **Nov 13, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 440.
- **Nov 13, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H9480-9481)
- **Nov 13, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H9480-9481)
- **Nov 13, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 9, 2018:** Received in the House.
- **Oct 9, 2018:** Held at the desk.
- **Oct 5, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Oct 4, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S6549-6550; text: CR S6549-6550)
- **Oct 4, 2018:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6549-6550; text: CR S6549-6550)
- **Aug 1, 2018:** By Senator Murkowski from Committee on Energy and Natural Resources filed written report. Report No. 115-313.
- **Jul 30, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Jul 30, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 533.
- **May 17, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jun 14, 2017:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 115-38.
- **Feb 17, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 17, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.