

(I) the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.); and

(II) sections 202 and 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712, 1713);

(B) reimburse costs incurred by the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service for preparing for, and carrying out, the transfers of land to be held in trust by the United States under section 301; and

(C) acquire environmentally sensitive land or an interest in environmentally sensitive land in the City.

(b) SILVER SADDLE ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a special account, to be known as the “Silver Saddle Endowment Account”, consisting of such amounts as are deposited under section 101(c)(1).

(2) AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Amounts deposited in the account established by paragraph (1) shall be available to the Secretary, without further appropriation, for the oversight and enforcement of the conservation easement established under section 101(c)(2).

SEC. 203. URBAN INTERFACE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this Act and subject to valid existing rights, the Federal land described in subsection (b) is permanently withdrawn from—

(1) all forms of entry and appropriation under the public land laws and mining laws;

(2) location and patent under the mining laws; and

(3) operation of the mineral laws, geothermal leasing laws, and mineral material laws.

(b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred to in subsection (a) consists of approximately 19,747 acres, which is identified on the Map as “Urban Interface Withdrawal”.

(c) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTERESTS.—Any land or interest in land within the boundaries of the land described in subsection (b) that is acquired by the United States after the date of enactment of this Act shall be withdrawn in accordance with this section.

(d) OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE MANAGEMENT.—Until the date on which the Secretary, in consultation with the State, the City, and any other interested persons, completes a transportation plan for Federal land in the City, the use of motorized and mechanical vehicles on Federal land within the City shall be limited to roads and trails in existence on the date of enactment of this Act unless the use of the vehicles is needed—

(1) for administrative purposes; or

(2) to respond to an emergency.

SEC. 204. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Section 4(e) of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-263; 112 Stat. 2346; 116 Stat. 2007; 117 Stat. 1317; 118 Stat. 2414; 120 Stat. 3045) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)(A)(iv), by striking “Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties and Washoe County (subject to paragraph 4))” and inserting “Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties and Washoe County (subject to paragraph 4)) and Carson City (subject to paragraph (5))”;

(2) in paragraph (3)(A)(v), by striking “Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties” and inserting “Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties and Carson City (subject to paragraph (5))”;

(3) in paragraph (4), by striking “2011” and inserting “2015”; and

(4) by adding at the end the following:

“(5) LIMITATION FOR CARSON CITY.—Carson City shall be eligible to nominate for expenditure amounts to acquire land or an interest in land for parks or natural areas and for conservation initiatives—

“(A) adjacent to the Carson River; or

“(B) within the floodplain of the Carson River.”.

TITLE III—TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST FOR THE WASHOE TRIBE, SKUNK HARBOR CONVEYANCE CORRECTION, FOREST SERVICE AGREEMENT, AND ARTIFACT COLLECTION

SEC. 301. TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST FOR WASHOE TRIBE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the land described in subsection (b)—

(1) shall be held in trust by the United States for the benefit and use of the Tribe; and

(2) shall be part of the reservation of the Tribe.

(b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred to in subsection (a) consists of approximately 293 acres, which is identified on the Map as “To Washoe Tribe”.

(c) SURVEY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall complete a survey of the boundary lines to establish the boundaries of the land taken into trust under subsection (a).

(d) USE OF LAND.—

(1) GAMING.—Land taken into trust under subsection (a) shall not be eligible, or considered to have been taken into trust, for class II gaming or class III gaming (as those terms are defined in section 4 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2703)).

(2) TRUST LAND FOR CEREMONIAL USE AND CONSERVATION.—With respect to the use of the land taken into trust under subsection (a) that is above the 5,200’ elevation contour, the Tribe—

(A) shall limit the use of the land to—

(i) traditional and customary uses; and

(ii) stewardship conservation for the benefit of the Tribe; and

(B) shall not permit any—

(i) permanent residential or recreational development on the land; or

(ii) commercial use of the land, including commercial development or gaming.

(3) TRUST LAND FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL USE.—With respect to the use of the land taken into trust under subsection (a), the Tribe shall limit the use of the land below the 5,200’ elevation to—

(A) traditional and customary uses;

(B) stewardship conservation for the benefit of the Tribe; and

(C)(i) residential or recreational development; or

(ii) commercial use.

(4) THINNING; LANDSCAPE RESTORATION.—

With respect to the land taken into trust under subsection (a), the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation and coordination with the Tribe, may carry out any thinning and other landscape restoration activities on the land that is beneficial to the Tribe and the Forest Service.

SEC. 302. CORRECTION OF SKUNK HARBOR CONVEYANCE.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to amend Public Law 108-67 (117 Stat. 880) to make a technical correction relating to the land conveyance authorized under that Act.

(b) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Section 2 of Public Law 108-67 (117 Stat. 880) is amended—

(1) by striking “Subject to” and inserting the following:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to”;

(2) in subsection (a) (as designated by paragraph (1)), by striking “the parcel” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting the following: “and to approximately 23 acres of land identified as ‘Parcel A’ on the map entitled ‘Skunk Harbor Con-

veyance Correction’ and dated September 12, 2008, the western boundary of which is the low water line of Lake Tahoe at elevation 6,223.0 (Lake Tahoe Datum).”;

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(b) SURVEY AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this subsection, the Secretary of Agriculture shall complete a survey and legal description of the boundary lines to establish the boundaries of the trust land.

“(2) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—The Secretary may correct any technical errors in the survey or legal description completed under paragraph (1).

“(c) PUBLIC ACCESS AND USE.—Nothing in this Act prohibits any approved general public access (through existing easements or by boat) to, or use of, land remaining within the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit after the conveyance of the land to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Tribe, under subsection (a), including access to, and use of, the beach and shoreline areas adjacent to the portion of land conveyed under that subsection.”.

(c) DATE OF TRUST STATUS.—The trust land described in section 2(a) of Public Law 108-67 (117 Stat. 880) shall be considered to be taken into trust as of August 1, 2003.

(d) TRANSFER.—The Secretary of the Interior, acting on behalf of and for the benefit of the Tribe, shall transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture administrative jurisdiction over the land identified as “Parcel B” on the map entitled “Skunk Harbor Conveyance Correction” and dated September 12, 2008.

SEC. 303. AGREEMENT WITH FOREST SERVICE.

The Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the Tribe, shall develop and implement a cooperative agreement that ensures regular access by members of the Tribe and other people in the community of the Tribe across National Forest System land from the City to Lake Tahoe for cultural and religious purposes.

SEC. 304. ARTIFACT COLLECTION.

(a) NOTICE.—At least 180 days before conducting any ground disturbing activities on the land identified as “Parcel #2” on the Map, the City shall notify the Tribe of the proposed activities to provide the Tribe with adequate time to inventory and collect any artifacts in the affected area.

(b) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—On receipt of notice under subsection (a), the Tribe may collect and possess any artifacts relating to the Tribe in the land identified as “Parcel #2” on the Map.

TITLE IV—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 401. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 685—DESIGNATING THE LAST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2008 AS “NATIONAL VOTER AWARENESS WEEK”

Mr. BROWN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 685

Whereas the Framers of the Constitution established the United States as a representative democracy, with the fundamental principle of civic engagement on the part of all eligible citizens;

Whereas an essential element of an effective democracy is the ability of each eligible and qualified citizen to be able to vote in fair and open elections;

Whereas Congress has passed important election laws such as the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002, the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA—Motor Voter Act), and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, dedicated to increasing the transparency of the election process, strengthening our voting systems, and protecting the right of all citizens to vote;

Whereas the 26th amendment of the Constitution requires that “the right of citizens of the United States, who are eighteen years of age or older, to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on the account of age”;

Whereas Minnesota, Maine, New Hampshire, Idaho, Wisconsin, and Wyoming allow same day registration of voters at the polls, and also experience the highest voter turnout rates in the country;

Whereas most States have 30-day voter registration deadlines, and the public must be informed of their local and State election laws in September in order to participate fully in the Federal elections in November;

Whereas experts estimate that more than 20 percent of voters nationwide will cast their ballots before election day by mail or at early-voting locations, a proportion of the electorate that is rising with each election;

Whereas many election officials note that early voting is convenient for voters, increases turnout, and reduces the strain on polling places and poll workers on election day;

Whereas, according to the Fair Vote Center for Voting and Democracy, voter turnout in the United States is lower than in most other developed nations, with the United States coming 20th out of 21 in voter turnout among established democracies; and

Whereas S. 1901, introduced in the 102nd Congress, would have amended section 6103 of title 5, United States Code, to establish Democracy Day as a legal public holiday on election day, in recognition of the need for increased participation of an educated electorate to preserve the legitimacy of democracy: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the last week of September 2008 as “National Voter Awareness Week”;

(2) calls upon the people of the United States to observe such a week with appropriate programs and activities, including helping State and local institutions deliver sample ballots, voter registration forms, absentee ballots, and other educational materials to all eligible voters; and

(3) encourages all grassroots organizations and educational, cultural, and community institutions to promote voter awareness and registration programs that befit local election procedure.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 5645. Mr. REID (for Mr. KYL) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 3296, to extend the authority of the United States Supreme Court Police to protect court officials off the Supreme Court Grounds and change the title of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice.

SA 5646. Mr. REID (for Mr. BIDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 5057, to reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program, and for other purposes.

SA 5647. Mr. NELSON, of Florida (for Mr. DORGAN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2786, to reauthorize the programs for housing assistance for Native Americans.

SA 5648. Mr. NELSON, of Florida (for himself and Mr. VITTER) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6063, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and for other purposes.

SA 5649. Mr. NELSON, of Florida (for Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mr. VOINOVICH)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6460, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the remediation of sediment contamination in areas of concern, and for other purposes.

SA 5650. Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BROWN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. AL-LARD, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. DODD, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. NELSON, of Nebraska, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. NELSON, of Florida, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. COBURN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. ENZI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KYL, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. THUNE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. REID)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1738, to require the Department of Justice to develop and implement a National Strategy Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction, to improve the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, to increase resources for regional computer forensic labs, and to make other improvements to increase the ability of law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute child predators.

SA 5651. Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. BIDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1738, supra.

SA 5652. Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2982, to amend the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act to authorize appropriations, and for other purposes.

SA 5653. Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1777, to amend the Improving America’s Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the anti-trust laws.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 5645. Mr. REID (for Mr. KYL) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 3296, to extend the authority of the United States Supreme Court Police to protect court officials off the Supreme Court Grounds and change the title of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice; as follows:

At the end of the bill, add the following:

SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON ACCEPTANCE OF HONORARY CLUB MEMBERSHIPS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) GIFT.—The term “gift” has the meaning given under section 109(5) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(2) JUDICIAL OFFICER.—The term “judicial officer” has the meaning given under section 109(10) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(b) PROHIBITION ON ACCEPTANCE OF HONORARY CLUB MEMBERSHIPS.—A judicial officer may not accept a gift of an honorary club membership with a value of more than \$50 in any calendar year.

SA 5646. Mr. REID (for Mr. BIDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 5057, to reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act of 2008”.

SEC. 2. GENERAL REAUTHORIZATION.

Section 2 of the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 14135) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(3), by—

(A) striking subparagraphs (A) through (D);

(B) redesignating subparagraph (E) and subparagraph (A); and

(C) inserting at the end the following:

“(B) For each of the fiscal years 2010 through 2014, not less than 40 percent of the grant amounts shall be awarded for purposes under subsection (a)(2).”; and

(2) by amending subsection (j) to read as follows:

“(j) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Attorney General for grants under subsection (a) \$151,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009 through 2014.”.

SEC. 3. TRAINING AND EDUCATION.

Section 303(b) of the DNA Sexual Assault Justice Act of 2004 (42 U.S.C. 14136(b)) is amended by striking “2005 through 2009” and inserting “2009 through 2014”.

SEC. 4. SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAM GRANTS.

Section 304(c) of the DNA Sexual Assault Justice Act of 2004 (42 U.S.C. 14136a(c)) is amended by striking “2005 through 2009” and inserting “2009 through 2014”.

SA 5647. Mr. NELSON of Florida (for Mr. DORGAN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2786, to reauthorize the programs for housing assistance for Native Americans; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
Sec. 2. Congressional findings.
Sec. 3. Definitions.

TITLE I—BLOCK GRANTS AND GRANT REQUIREMENTS

Sec. 101. Block grants.
Sec. 102. Indian housing plans.
Sec. 103. Review of plans.
Sec. 104. Treatment of program income and labor standards.
Sec. 105. Regulations.

TITLE II—AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACTIVITIES

Sec. 201. National objectives and eligible families.
Sec. 202. Eligible affordable housing activities.
Sec. 203. Program requirements.
Sec. 204. Low-income requirement and income targeting.
Sec. 205. Availability of records.
Sec. 206. Self-determined housing activities for tribal communities program.

TITLE III—ALLOCATION OF GRANT AMOUNTS

Sec. 301. Allocation formula.

TITLE IV—COMPLIANCE, AUDITS, AND REPORTS

Sec. 401. Remedies for noncompliance.
Sec. 402. Monitoring of compliance.
Sec. 403. Performance reports.