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S. 1696

To direct the General Services Administration to clear the site of the Old Alaska Native Health Center and convey the property to the municipality of Anchorage.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 2, 1998

Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. GORTON, and Mrs. MURRAY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act shall be known as the “Old Alaska Native
5 Health Center Conveyance Act of 1998”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 For the purposes of this Act the term “property”
8 means the land parcel recorded as block 35 and lot 2 of
9 block 36, Anchorage Original Townsite East Addition, in

1 Anchorage, Alaska, on which the Old Alaska Native
2 Health Center is situated, but does not mean any portion
3 of such parcel dedicated for use by the Centers for Disease
4 Control and Prevention.

5 **SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

6 The Congress finds that—

7 (1) the Old Alaska Native Health Center was
8 closed and vacated in 1997 when a new Alaska Na-
9 tive health facility was opened;

10 (2) the buildings and property formerly used
11 for such Center are scheduled to be disposed of as
12 surplus by the Administrator of the General Services
13 Administration;

14 (3) asbestos and lead contamination were found
15 in the buildings and on the property during environ-
16 mental assessments;

17 (4) the buildings have been stripped of fixtures,
18 wires, and other materials, and any development of
19 the property will require the removal of the buildings
20 and of all asbestos, lead, and other contamination;
21 and

22 (5) due to the limited availability of land in the
23 area in which the property is situated, the municipi-
24 pality of Anchorage has a unique interest in its fu-
25 ture use.

1 **SEC. 4. REMOVAL OF BUILDINGS AND DISPOSAL OF PROP-**
2 **ERTY.**

3 (a) REMOVAL OF BUILDINGS.—Notwithstanding any
4 other provision of law, the Administrator of the General
5 Services Administration shall, not later than 18 months
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, demolish and
7 remove all buildings, structures and other fixtures on the
8 property, including all asbestos, lead, and any other con-
9 tamination, and restore the property, to the extent prac-
10 ticable, to an undeveloped condition.

11 (b) DISPOSAL.—Upon completion of the activities re-
12 quired under subsection (a), and notwithstanding any
13 other provision of law, the Administrator of the General
14 Services Administration shall convey to the municipality
15 of Anchorage, without reimbursement, all right, title, and
16 interest of the United States to the property.

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