

H. Res. 621

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

October 10, 2000.

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution the House shall be considered to have taken from the Speaker's table the bill H.R. 150, with the Senate amendment thereto, and to have concurred in the Senate amendment with the following amendment:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the amendment of the Senate, insert the following:

1 **SECTION. 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Education Land Grant
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM**
5 **LANDS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.**

6 (a) **AUTHORITY TO CONVEY.**—Upon application, the
7 Secretary of Agriculture may convey National Forest Sys-
8 tem lands for use for educational purposes if the Secretary
9 determines that—

10 (1) the entity seeking the conveyance will use
11 the conveyed land for a public or publicly funded ele-

1 mentary or secondary school, to provide grounds or
2 facilities related to such a school, or for both pur-
3 poses;

4 (2) the conveyance will serve the public interest;

5 (3) the land to be conveyed is not otherwise
6 needed for the purposes of the National Forest Sys-
7 tem; and

8 (4) the total acreage to be conveyed does not
9 exceed the amount reasonably necessary for the pro-
10 posed use.

11 (b) **ACREAGE LIMITATION.**—A conveyance under this
12 section may not exceed 80 acres. However, this limitation
13 shall not be construed to preclude an entity from submit-
14 ting a subsequent application under this section for an ad-
15 ditional land conveyance if the entity can demonstrate to
16 the Secretary a need for additional land.

17 (c) **COSTS AND MINERAL RIGHTS.**—A conveyance
18 under this section shall be for a nominal cost. The convey-
19 ance may not include the transfer of mineral rights.

20 (d) **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS.**—When the Secretary
21 receives an application under this section, the Secretary
22 shall—

23 (1) before the end of the 14-day period begin-
24 ning on the date of the receipt of the application,
25 provide notice of that receipt to the applicant; and

1 (2) before the end of the 120-day period begin-
2 ning on that date—

3 (A) make a final determination whether or
4 not to convey land pursuant to the application,
5 and notify the applicant of that determination;
6 or

7 (B) submit written notice to the applicant
8 containing the reasons why a final determina-
9 tion has not been made.

10 (e) REVERSIONARY INTEREST.—If at any time after
11 lands are conveyed pursuant to this section, the entity to
12 whom the lands were conveyed attempts to transfer title
13 to or control over the lands to another or the lands are
14 devoted to a use other than the use for which the lands
15 were conveyed, without the consent of the Secretary, title
16 to the lands shall revert to the United States.

Attest:

Clerk.