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[Report No. 109-305]

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources
in the State of Vermont.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 18, 2005

Mr. JEFFORDS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and
referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

JULY 31, 2006

Reported by Mr. DOMENICI, with an amendment

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A BILL

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of water resources in the State of Vermont.

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. VERMONT WATER RESOURCES STUDY.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior, act-
5 ing through the Director of the United States Geological
6 Survey and in coordination with the State of Vermont,

1 shall, *in accordance with this Act and any other applicable*
2 *law*, conduct a study of water resources in the State of
3 Vermont, including—

4 (1) a survey of—

5 (A) with respect to groundwater—

6 (i) supplies, including aquifers, that
7 are available for potable use by municipali-
8 ties in the State; and

9 (ii) availability, potability, potential to
10 recharge, and interaction with surface
11 water; and

12 (B) potential future water supply sources;

13 and

14 (2) a characterization of surface and bedrock
15 geology, including the effect of that geology on
16 groundwater yield and quality.

17 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
18 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to
19 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the
20 Senate and the Committee on Resources of the House of
21 Representatives a report describing the results of the
22 study.

23 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
24 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are nec-
25 essary to carry out this section.

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