

110TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2246

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 9, 2007

Mr. HELLER of Nevada introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## 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. VALIDATION OF RAIL CORRIDOR REAL PROP-**

4 **ERTY CONVEYANCES, RENO, NEVADA.**

5 (a) VALIDATION.—

6 (1) CONVEYANCES COVERED BY MEMORANDUM

7 OF UNDERSTANDING.—The land conveyances that

1 were made, or are to be made, to the City of Reno,  
2 Nevada, by the Union Pacific Railroad Company  
3 pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding for  
4 Reno Rail Corridor, as amended, entered into on De-  
5 cember 1, 1998, between the City of Reno and the  
6 Union Pacific Railroad Company, and that comprise  
7 approximately 120 acres of land, as depicted on the  
8 map entitled “Release of Land to City of Reno, Ne-  
9 vada” prepared by the Bureau of Land Management  
10 and dated May 2, 2007, which were originally grant-  
11 ed by the United States to the predecessor of the  
12 Union Pacific Railroad Company to facilitate con-  
13 struction of transcontinental railroads, are hereby  
14 valid to the extent that the conveyances would have  
15 been valid had the land involved in the conveyances  
16 been held by the Union Pacific Railroad Company in  
17 absolute or fee-simple title at the time of the convey-  
18 ances.

19 (2) ADDITIONAL CONVEYANCE.—The land con-  
20 veyance made to the City of Reno, Nevada, by CTB  
21 Inc., a Nevada Corporation, in the grant, bargain,  
22 and sale deed dated October 22, 2002, and involving  
23 a parcel of land situated in the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Sec-  
24 tion 11, Township 19 North, Range 19 East, Mount  
25 Diablo base and meridian, is hereby valid to the ex-

1       tent that the conveyance would have been valid had  
2       the land involved in the conveyance been held by  
3       CTB Inc. in absolute or fee-simple title at the time  
4       of the conveyance.

5       (b) RELEASE OF UNITED STATES INTERESTS.—All  
6       right, title, and interest of the United States in and to  
7       the land described in subsection (a) are hereby released  
8       to the City of Reno, without consideration.

9       (c) FILING OF INSTRUMENTS.—As soon as prac-  
10      ticable after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
11      Secretary of the Interior shall file for recordation in the  
12      real property records of Washoe County, Nevada, such in-  
13      struments as may be necessary to document the validation  
14      of the land conveyances described in subsection (a) and  
15      the release of the interests of the United States under sub-  
16      section (b).

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