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THE WHITE HOUSE
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ACTION

Last Day - October 21

October 17, 1974

Posted 10/19

To ARCHIVES 10/19

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: KEN COLE
SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 9054
Quitclaim, South Carolina Land

Attached for your consideration is House bill, H.R. 9054, sponsored by Representative Young, which authorizes the Secretaries of Agriculture and of the Interior to relinquish, without consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to approximately 229 acres of land in South Carolina.

Roy Ash recommends approval and provides you with additional background information in his enrolled bill report (Tab A).

We have checked with Secretary Morton, the Counsel's office (Chapman), and Bill Timmons who also recommend approval.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign House bill H.R. 9054 (Tab B).



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OCT 18 1974

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

OCT 11 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 9054 - Quitclaim, South Carolina
Land
Sponsor - Rep. Young (R) South Carolina

Last Day for Action

October 21, 1974 - Monday

Purpose

Authorizes the Secretaries of Agriculture and of the Interior to relinquish, without consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to approximately 229 acres of land in South Carolina.

Agency Recommendations

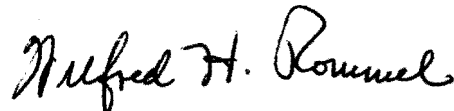
Office of Management and Budget	Approval
Department of Agriculture	Approval (Informally)
Department of the Interior	No objection

Discussion

The Secretary of Agriculture has previously conveyed to the South Carolina Board of Education title to the approximately 229 acres of land covered by the bill subject to retention of the mineral estate and a provision that if the land ever ceased to be used for public educational purposes title would revert to the United States.

The local school board which now has jurisdiction over this land desires to improve the school facilities now located on it. The South Carolina Constitution bars the use of State funds to make improvements on any land to which the State lacks full title.

The present measure authorizes the Secretaries of Agriculture and of the Interior (who has jurisdiction over mineral estates) to convey to the State Board of Education, without consideration, all of the remaining interests which the United States has in the approximately 84 acres of land on which the school district has current plans to make improvements. The bill also provides similar authority to quitclaim the interest of the United States in the remaining 145 acres "...upon documentation satisfactory to said Secretaries that buildings, facilities, or improvements for educational or other related community purposes are planned for the parcels involved."



Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20250

Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director, Office of
Management and Budget
Washington, D. C. 20503

October 11, 1974

Dear Mr. Ash:

This is in reply to your request for a report on the enrolled enactment, H.R. 9054, "To amend the Act entitled 'An Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement with respect to certain lands in Lee County, South Carolina.'"

This Department recommends that the President approve the bill.

The bill amends Public Law 91-110 to authorize and direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to execute and deliver to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, a quitclaim deed conveying and releasing to the Board all right, title, and interest of the United States in certain tracts of land in Lee County, South Carolina. The bill also authorizes the Secretaries, in their discretion, to quitclaim to the Board of Education the Government's interests in four parcels of land upon adequate documentation that buildings, facilities or improvements for educational or other related community purposes are planned for the land involved.

The lands were conveyed to the South Carolina State Superintendent of Education by deeds of September 14, 1945, and July 14, 1946. The deeds of conveyance reserve the mineral rights, provide that the property is to be maintained and operated for school and community purposes, and expressly reserve to the United States the right to re-enter the property if it is not so used. The South Carolina State Superintendent of Education transferred his right, title, and interest in the property to the Lee County Board of Education on May 20, 1953.

We understand that the Board of Education anticipates building or major repair efforts on seven of the parcels of land. We also understand that the necessary financing cannot be obtained because certain South Carolina statutes have been construed to mean that a school district cannot spend money on buildings and improvements unless it has fee simple title to the property. In view of this situation, the Department does not object to conveyance of the reversionary interest of the United States in the seven parcels on which construction is contemplated.

We had originally recommended to the Congress that with regard to four of the parcels the reversionary interests of the United States not be released. Upon finding that there was some indication that buildings and improvements might be contemplated on these parcels also, we indicated to the Congressional committees involved that we would have no objection to leaving release of the Government's reversionary interests in the four parcels to the discretion of the two Secretaries involved upon documentation satisfactory to them that buildings or improvements are planned for these four parcels. The bill contains language to carry out this intent.

It should be pointed out that several of the amendments we recommended to the Committees were not adopted. The most important was one to make it clear that immediate conveyance of the reversionary interests of the United States related only to seven of the parcels in question. Failure to adopt these amendments and adoption of the amendment giving the Secretaries of Agriculture and the Interior discretion to convey the interests of the United States in four of the parcels makes the bill somewhat confusing. However, the legislative history of this bill (see, e.g., S. Report 93-1225) is clear that the intent of the Congress is to require conveyance of the United States' interests in seven of the parcels but authorize discretionary conveyance of such interests in the case of four parcels. We believe this is sufficient to overcome the confusion of the bill itself and, therefore, recommend that the President approve the bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. Phil Campbell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

J. Phil Campbell
Acting Secretary



United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

OCT 10 1974

Dear Mr. Ash:

This responds to your request for our views on the enrolled bill H.R. 9054, "To amend the Act entitled 'An Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement with respect to certain lands in Lee County, South Carolina'."

We would have no objection to the President's approval of the enrolled bill.

The enrolled bill would amend the Act of November 6, 1969, P.L. 91-110, 83 Stat. 113, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to execute a quitclaim deed conveying all Federal interest in 7 tracts of land in Lee County, South Carolina to the Lee County Board of Education, and the enrolled bill authorizes the Secretaries to convey an additional 4 tracts, if they determine that improvements for educational or community purposes are planned for those tracts. Presently, the Act of November 16, 1969 only directs the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement for the 11 tracts.

The 11 tracts described in the bill total 285 acres and at one time were under the administrative jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture. They are now owned by the Lee County Board of Education subject to a 61.9 percent reversionary interest and a 61.9 percent mineral interest in the United States. This Department is concerned only with the disposition of the mineral interest since the Bureau of Land Management administers the mineral interests in these cases.


The Geological Survey indicates that the 11 tracts are not valuable for mineral development. The Lee County Board of Education presently intends to improve or make repairs on 7 of the 11 tracts and possibly on the remaining 4 tracts as well, but the reversionary interest and mineral interest in the United States are interfering with efforts to obtain financing. It is the Department's policy not to oppose the conveyance of mineral interests if either the lands are not valuable for mineral development or if the mineral interests are interfering with development of the land that is more beneficial than mineral development. Since the instant case meets at least

one of those criteria, the Department has no objection to the conveyance of the mineral interests in all 11 tracts. Although the Department ordinarily requires the grantee to pay administrative costs, we have no objection to the omission of that requirement in this case since the grantee is a school board.

This Department has deferred to the Department of Agriculture as to the release of the reversionary interest. The land was originally purchased by the Department of Agriculture's Farm Security Administration and was later conveyed to a State education agency subject to the reverter. The Department of Agriculture has policies for releasing reversionary interests in these cases.

It should be noted that the bill creates an ambiguity. It amends the Act of November 6, 1969 so that the first paragraph of the Act will direct the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior to convey the 11 tracts and the second paragraph will authorize them to convey 4 of the 11 tracts. Since conveyance of all the tracts under the first paragraph appears mandatory, there is some question as to whether the second paragraph actually allows any discretion. This ambiguity is not troublesome to this Department, however, because at least one of our criteria is met for conveying the mineral interests in all of the 11 tracts. We would therefore have no problem if conveyance of all the tracts is interpreted as being mandatory.

Sincerely yours,



Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior

Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D. C. 20503

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: 655

Date: October 15, 1974

Time: 9:30 a.m.

FOR ACTION: ✓ Michael Duval
 ✓ Phil Buchen
 ✓ Bill Timmons

cc (for information): Warren K. Hendriks
 Jerry Jones
 Paul Theis
 Norm Ross

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: October 17, 1974

Time: 2:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 9054 - Quitclaim, South Carolina
Land

ACTION REQUESTED:

 For Necessary Action For Your Recommendations Prepare Agenda and Brief Draft Reply For Your Comments Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

Please return to Kathy Tindle - West Wing

PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

 K. R. COLE, JR.
 For the President

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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TO: W. Hendricks


John J. Ratchford

THE WHITE HOUSE

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ACTION REQUESTED:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> For Necessary Action | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For Your Recommendations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare Agenda and Brief | <input type="checkbox"/> Draft Reply |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For Your Comments | <input type="checkbox"/> Draft Remarks |

REMARKS:

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No objection
D.C.

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Warren K. Hendriks
for the President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 16, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. WARREN HENDRIKS

FROM: WILLIAM E. TIMMONS *WA*

SUBJECT: Action Memorandum - Log No. 655
Enrolled Bill H. R. 9054 - Quitclaim,
South Carolina Land

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs in the attached proposal and has no additional recommendations.

Attachment

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DUE: Date: October 17, 1974

Time: 2:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 9054 - Quitclaim, South Carolina
Land

ACTION REQUESTED:

For Necessary Action

For Your Recommendations

Prepare Agenda and Brief

Draft Reply

For Your Comments

Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

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Warren K. Hendriks
For the President

THE WHITE HOUSE

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FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: October 17, 1974 *Thursday* Time: 2:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 9054 - Quitclaim, South Carolina Land

ACTION REQUESTED:

- For Necessary Action
- For Your Recommendations
- Prepare Agenda and Brief
- Draft Reply
- For Your Comments
- Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

OK Mike Duval 10/15

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Kathy -- This looks alright to me - Norm Ross 10-16-74

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Warren K. Hendriks
for the President

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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OCT 11 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 9054 - Quitclaim, South Carolina
Land
Sponsor - Rep. Young (R) South Carolina

Last Day for Action

October 21, 1974 - Monday

Purpose

Authorizes the Secretaries of Agriculture and of the Interior to relinquish, without consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to approximately 229 acres of land in South Carolina.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Agriculture
Department of the Interior

Approval (Informally)
No objection

Discussion

The Secretary of Agriculture has previously conveyed to the South Carolina Board of Education title to the approximately 229 acres of land covered by the bill subject to retention of the mineral estate and a provision that if the land ever ceased to be used for public educational purposes title would revert to the United States.

The local school board which now has jurisdiction over this land desires to improve the school facilities now located on it. The South Carolina Constitution bars the use of State funds to make improvements on any land to which the State lacks full title.

The present measure authorizes the Secretaries of Agriculture and of the Interior (who has jurisdiction over mineral estates) to convey to the State Board of Education, without consideration, all of the remaining interests which the United States has in the approximately 84 acres of land on which the school district has current plans to make improvements. The bill also provides similar authority to quitclaim the interest of the United States in the remaining 145 acres "...upon documentation satisfactory to said Secretaries that buildings, facilities, or improvements for educational or other related community purposes are planned for the parcels involved."

(signed) Wilfred H. Rommel

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN SOUTH CAROLINA LANDS

AUGUST 13, 1974.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. POAGE, from the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 9054]

The Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 9054) to amend the act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement with respect to certain lands in Lee County, South Carolina," having considered the same, report favorably thereon with an amendment and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.

The amendments are as follows:

Page 2, line 2, strike out the word "and" following the word "are".

Page 2, line 4, change the period (.) following "228" to a semicolon (;) and add the word "and".

Page 2, insert the following after subsection (3):

(4) by adding a new sentence at the end thereof as follows:

The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are further authorized, in their discretion, to execute and deliver to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, its successors and assigns, a quitclaim deed or deeds conveying and releasing all right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to one or more of parcels numbered 1, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated December 14, 1945, and numbered 7, 9, and 11, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated July 15, 1946, upon documentation satisfactory to said Secretaries that buildings, facilities, or improvements for educational or other related community purposes are planned for the parcels involved.

PURPOSE AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

This bill would amend Public Law 91-110, "an Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement with

respect to certain lands in Lee County, South Carolina", to direct the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior to quitclaim all interests of the United States in approximately 150 acres of land to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina. Additionally, it was amended by the Committee to authorize the Secretaries to release the Government's interests in 135 acres upon documentation that buildings, facilities, or improvements for educational or community purposes are planned for those areas.

The United States owns an undivided 61.9 percent interest in the retained reversionary rights and mineral interests. The other 38.1 percent is owned by the Lee County Board of Education. The property was acquired by the United States and the South Carolina Rural Rehabilitation Corporation for a resettlement project, and the United States conveyed its interest in 1945 and 1946 to the South Carolina Superintendent of Education, subject to the right to reenter if the property was not used for school and community purposes. The South Carolina State Department of Education transferred the property to the Lee County Board of Education on May 20, 1953. The South Carolina Rural Rehabilitation Corporation conveyed its interest in the property to the Lee County Board of Education in 1970.

Public Law 91-110 provided for subordination to any liens for the purpose of financing consolidated public school improvements on the land.

South Carolina law, however, prohibits new construction or major repair on any property to which a County Board of Education does not have full and clear title. This has put the Lee County Board of Education in the position of either (a) abandoning the property and allowing it to revert to the Federal Government, which has no use for it whatsoever, or, (b) continuing to operate the school with substandard facilities. Seven of the eleven parcels of land have buildings or other facilities located on them, and four others might well be included in future plans when the question of title is resolved. To protect the interest of the Federal Government the Committee, at the recommendation of the Farmers Home Administration, recommends retaining the reversionary interest in the latter parcels. To obviate the necessity of returning to Congress at some future date, however, the Committee recommends that the Secretaries be granted discretion to convey a quitclaim deed at some future date and upon proper proof of the necessity for such conveyance.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

The Department Operations Subcommittee held public hearings on H.R. 9054 on July 9, 1974. The subcommittee ordered the bill reported by a unanimous vote to the full committee, with amendments, on July 10, 1974. On July 30, 1974, the full committee, in the presence of a quorum, ordered H.R. 9054 unanimously reported by a voice vote to the House, as amended in subcommittee.

ADMINISTRATION POSITION

Mr. Frank W. Naylor, Jr., Associate Administrator of the Farmers Home Administration, representing the U.S. Department of Agricul-

ture, presented the following statement to the Department Operations Subcommittee:

STATEMENT OF FRANK W. NAYLOR, JR., ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR, FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, JULY 9, 1974

Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the opportunity to appear before this Committee to present the views of the Department of Agriculture on H.R. 9054. If H.R. 9054 is amended as suggested, we would have no objection to its enactment.

The bill would amend Public Law 91-110 to authorize and direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to execute and deliver to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, a quitclaim deed conveying and releasing to the Board all right, title, and interest of the United States in certain tracts of land in Lee County, South Carolina, containing 11 parcels. The lands were conveyed to the South Carolina State Superintendent of Education by deeds of September 14, 1945, and July 14, 1946. The deeds of conveyance reserve the mineral rights, provide that the property is to be maintained and operated for school and community purposes, and expressly reserve to the United States the right to re-enter the property if it is not so used. The South Carolina State Superintendent of Education transferred his right, title, and interest in the property to the Lee County Board of Education on May 20, 1953.

The land involved includes a total of about 285 acres and is contiguous so far as we are able to learn from the map accompanying the original conveyances. This acreage was part of a resettlement project purchased by the Farm Security administration of the United States Department of Agriculture and the South Carolina Rural Rehabilitation Corporation. The Federal Government and the South Carolina Rural Rehabilitation Corporation owned 61.9 percent and 38.1 percent undivided interest in the reversionary rights and mineral interests, respectively. The 38.1 percent owned by the South Carolina Rural Rehabilitation Corporation was deeded to the Lee County Board of Education on July 17, 1969.

Original use of the property by the Lee County Board of Education was to establish a vocational agriculture school, making use of existing buildings and utility systems. We understand that the Board of Education now wishes to broaden the scope of the school system and to restore, improve and make better use of the property for education and community purposes. On seven of the eleven parcels (those numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10 in the deeds of record) the Board of Education anticipates building or major repair efforts. We understand that the necessary financing cannot be

obtained because certain South Carolina statutes have been construed to mean that a school district cannot spend money on buildings and improvements unless it has fee simple title to the property.

In view of this situation, the Department does not object to conveyance of the reversionary interest of the United States in the seven parcels on which construction is contemplated. Our legislative report on H.R. 9054 suggests amendments to the bill that would authorize conveyance of these reversionary interests in those seven parcels.

Under a transfer of jurisdiction pursuant to P.L. 760, 81st Congress (7 U.S.C. 1035), the Government-owned reserved mineral interests are now under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior. The Department of the Interior has informed us that the lands are not valuable for mineral development and that they have no objection to conveyance of the reserved mineral interests.

We understand that no improvements are contemplated on four of the parcels at the present time. With respect to these parcels (numbered 1, 7, 9, and 11), we see no grounds for making an exception to the general policy that the Federal Government will not relinquish reversionary rights in cases in which such relinquishment is not necessary to continued use of the land for the purposes for which it was deeded.

This concludes my statement on H.R. 9054. I will be happy to answer any questions this Committee may have on the bill.

Subsequently, Mr. Naylor submitted an addendum to his statement to the subcommittee via a letter to Congressman de la Garza, chairman of the Department Operations Subcommittee, which reads as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION,
Washington, D.C., July 15, 1974.

HON. ELIGIO DE LA GARZA,
Chairman, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Committee on Agriculture, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I am transmitting herewith an Addendum to my testimony as presented to your Subcommittee on Department Operations on July 11, 1974. This statement is offered in clarification of the long-standing reversionary interest policy of the Government as it applies to H.R. 9054, which was the subject of the Hearing before your Subcommittee.

We are also including a suggested amendment to H.R. 9054 as requested by your Subcommittee, and Congressman Young (S.C.), which should provide for resolution of any subsequent problem presented to the Lee County (S.C.) Board of Education in its program of land utilization involving the property in question.

Sincerely,

FRANK W. NAYLOR, JR.,
Associate Administrator.

Enclosures-2.

cc: Congressman E. Young.

STATEMENT OF FRANK W. NAYLOR, JR., ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR,
FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
JULY 11, 1974

ADDENDUM: At the request of the Committee and Congressman Young, I am pleased to clarify our position with regard to the four parcels of land (numbered 1, 7, 9, and 11) on which we recommended that the reversionary interests of the United States not be released. We understood that building and improvements were contemplated only on the seven parcels of land numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10. There is some indication now that the situation may be the same for some of the four parcels.

In order to protect the Government's interests and to be consistent with previous policy, we would have no objection to an amendment to the bill which would leave release of the Government's reversionary interests in the four parcels mentioned above to the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior upon documentation satisfactory to the Secretaries that building or improvements are planned for these four parcels.

We are providing herewith a requested draft of an amendment to H.R. 9054 which reflects the position stated above.

Attachment.

AMENDMENT RE H.R. 9054

Add a new sentence at the end of Public Law 91-110 reading as follows:

The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are further authorized, in their discretion, to execute and deliver to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, its successors and assigns, a quitclaim deed or deeds conveying and releasing all right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to one or more of parcels numbered 1, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated December 14, 1945, and numbered 7, 9, and 11, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated July 15, 1946, upon documentation satisfactory to said Secretaries that buildings, facilities, or improvements for educational or other related community purposes are planned for the parcels involved.

Subsequently, the Amendment suggested by The Department was adopted by the subcommittee.

CURRENT AND FIVE SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR COST ESTIMATE

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the committee estimates that there will be no cost incurred by the Federal Government during the current and the five subsequent fiscal years as a result of the enactment of this legislation.

The same cost estimate was communicated to the committee by the Department of Agriculture.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, and existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman) :

PUBLIC LAW 91-110

AN ACT To authorize and direct the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement with respect to certain lands in Lee County, South Carolina

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture [is] and the Secretary of the Interior are authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, its successors and assigns, [an agreement subordinating] a quitclaim deed conveying and releasing all right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to the land hereinafter described to a lien or liens to be executed by the said Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, its successors or assigns for the financing of consolidated public school improvements on the said land, which consists of those tracts of land, situate in said Lee County, South Carolina, containing eleven parcels, five of said parcels being more particularly described in a deed dated December 14, 1945, from the United States conveying said parcels to said State Superintendent of Education for the State of South Carolina, recorded in the land records of the office of the Clerk of Courts for Lee County, South Carolina, in deed book H-1, page 388, and six of said parcels being more particularly described in a deed dated July 15, 1946, from the United States to the State Superintendent of Education for the State of South Carolina, and recorded in the land records of the office of the Clerk of Courts for Lee County, South Carolina, in deed book J-1, page 288.

"The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are further authorized, in their discretion, to execute and deliver to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, its successors and assigns, a quitclaim deed or deeds conveying and releasing all right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to one or more of parcels numbered 1, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated December 14, 1945, and numbered 7, 9, and 11, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated July 15, 1946, upon documentation satisfactory to said Secretaries that buildings, facilities, or improvements for educational or other related community purposes are planned for the parcels involved."

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Ninety-third Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-first day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four*

An Act

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement with respect to certain lands in Lee County, South Carolina".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to authorize and direct the Secretary of Agriculture to execute a subordination agreement with respect to certain lands in Lee County, South Carolina", approved November 6, 1969 (83 Stat. 183), is amended—

(1) by striking out "an agreement subordinating" and inserting in lieu thereof "a quitclaim deed conveying and releasing";

(2) by striking out "is" and inserting in lieu thereof "and the Secretary of the Interior are";

(3) by striking out "288" and inserting in lieu thereof "228";
and

(4) by adding a new sentence at the end thereof as follows:
"The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are further authorized, in their discretion, to execute and deliver to the Board of Education of Lee County, South Carolina, its successors and assigns, a quitclaim deed or deeds conveying and releasing all right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to one or more parcels numbered 1, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated December 14, 1945, and numbered 7, 9, and 11, more particularly described in the above-mentioned deed dated July 15, 1946, upon documentation satisfactory to said Secretaries that buildings, facilities, or improvements for educational or other related community purposes are planned for the parcels involved."

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

October 9, 1974

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on October 9th:

S.J. Res. 123 ✓	H.R. 7954 ✓
S. 1794 ✓	H.R. 9054 ✓
S. 2220 ✓	H.R. 11537 ✓
S. 3362 ✓	

Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of these bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder
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