

# Union Calendar No. 177

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4195

[Report No. 109-323]

To authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within Rogue River Valley Irrigation District or within Medford Irrigation District.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 1, 2005

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

DECEMBER 6, 2005

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Southern Oregon Bu-  
5 reau of Reclamation Repayment Act of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. EARLY REPAYMENT.**

2       Notwithstanding the provisions of section 213 of the  
3 Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 (43 U.S.C. 390mm), any  
4 landowner within Rogue River Valley Irrigation District  
5 or within Medford Irrigation District, in Oregon, may  
6 repay, at any time, the construction costs of the project  
7 facilities allocated to that landowner's lands within the  
8 district in question. Upon discharge, in full, of the obliga-  
9 tion for repayment of the construction costs allocated to  
10 all lands the landowner owns in the district in question,  
11 those lands shall not be subject to the ownership and full-  
12 cost pricing limitations of the Act of June 17, 1902 (43  
13 U.S.C. 371 et seq.), and Acts supplemental to and amend-  
14 atory of that Act, including the Reclamation Reform Act  
15 of 1982 (43 U.S.C. 390aa et seq.).

16 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION.**

17       Nothing herein modifies contractual rights that may  
18 exist between Rogue River Valley Irrigation District and  
19 Medford Irrigation District and the United States under  
20 their respective Reclamation contracts, or amends or re-  
21 opens those contracts; nor does it modify any rights, obli-  
22 gations or relationships that may exist between the dis-  
23 tricts and their landowners as may be provided or gov-  
24 erned by Oregon State law.

1 **SEC. 4. CERTIFICATION.**

2       Upon the request of a landowner who has repaid, in  
3 full, the construction costs of the project facilities allo-  
4 cated to that landowner's lands owned within the district,  
5 the Secretary of the Interior shall provide the certification  
6 provided for in subsection (b)(1) of section 213 of the Rec-  
7 lamation Reform Act of 1982 (43 U.S.C. 390mm(b)(1)).

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