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To transfer the Tatum Salt Dome property to the State of Mississippi to be designated by the State as the Jamie Whitten Wilderness Area.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 26, 1995

Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi (for himself, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BAKER of Louisiana, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BROWDER, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. COYNE, Mr. DAVIS, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. DE LA GARZA, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. FOGLIETTA, Mr. FROST, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. HAYES of Louisiana, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MCDADE, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MCNULTY, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. MONTGOMERY, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. MYERS of Indiana, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PARKER, Mr. PAYNE of Virginia, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROSE, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. STUMP, Mr. TANNER, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THORNTON, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. VENTO, Mrs. VUCANOVICH, Mr. WICKER, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELÓ, Mr. WILSON, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. HOYER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. TRANSFER OF TATUM SALT DOME PROPERTY**
2 **TO STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.**

3 (a) TRANSFER.—The Secretary of Energy shall
4 transfer, without compensation, to the State of Mississippi
5 the property known as the Tatum Dome Test Site, as gen-
6 erally depicted on the map numbered 301913.104.02 and
7 dated 6/25/93.

8 (b) REMEDIATION.—The transfer under this Act
9 shall be made upon receipt of a certification from the Ad-
10 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and
11 the State of Mississippi that any contamination of such
12 property has been remedied in accordance with applicable
13 Federal and State laws and regulations.

14 (c) RETAINED RIGHTS.—The transfer under this Act
15 shall be subject to each of the following rights to be re-
16 tained by the United States:

17 (1) Retention by the United States of the sub-
18 surface estate below a specified depth. The specified
19 depth shall be 2700 feet below sea level unless a
20 lesser depth is agreed upon by the Secretary of En-
21 ergy and the State of Mississippi.

22 (2) Retention by the United States of rights of
23 access, by easement or otherwise, for purposes of
24 monitoring wells for sampling.

25 (3) Retention by the United States of the right
26 to install wells additional to those identified in the

1 remediation plan to the extent such additional wells
2 are deemed necessary by the Secretary of Energy to
3 monitor potential pathways of contaminant migra-
4 tion. Such wells shall be in such locations as speci-
5 fied by the Secretary of Energy.

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