

# Union Calendar No. 280

107<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 2054

[Report No. 107-469]

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 5, 2001

Mr. HANSEN (for himself and Mr. GIBBONS) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

MAY 16, 2002

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House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italics]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 5, 2001]

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. CONSENT TO AGREEMENT OR COMPACT.**

2       (a) *CONSENT GIVEN.*—*The consent of the Congress of*  
3 *the United States is given to Utah and Nevada to enter*  
4 *into an agreement or compact that meets the following re-*  
5 *quirements:*

6           (1) *The agreement or compact is consented to by*  
7 *the legislatures of Utah and Nevada and such consent*  
8 *is evidenced through Acts enacted by the legislatures*  
9 *of Utah and Nevada not later than December 31,*  
10 *2006.*

11          (2) *The agreement or compact is not in conflict*  
12 *with any Federal law.*

13          (3) *The agreement or compact does not change*  
14 *the boundary of any other State.*

15          (4) *The agreement or compact does not result in*  
16 *the transfer to Nevada of more than a total of 10,000*  
17 *acres of lands that are located within Utah on the*  
18 *date of the enactment of this Act.*

19          (5) *The agreement or compact is entered into for*  
20 *the primary purpose of changing the boundaries of*  
21 *Utah and Nevada so that the lands located within the*  
22 *municipal boundaries of the city of Wendover, Utah,*  
23 *on the date of the enactment of this Act, including the*  
24 *municipal airport, shall, after the implementation of*  
25 *the agreement or compact, be located within the*  
26 *boundaries of Nevada. This paragraph shall not pro-*

1        *hibit the agreement or compact from including provi-*  
2        *sions that are reasonably related to the following:*

3                *(A) A change in the boundaries of Utah and*  
4                *Nevada for the purposes described in this para-*  
5                *graph.*

6                *(B) Including other Utah lands imme-*  
7                *diately surrounding the municipal boundaries of*  
8                *Wendover, Utah, as described in this paragraph,*  
9                *in a transfer to Nevada if such inclusion*  
10               *would—*

11               *(i) facilitate the management of lands*  
12               *transferred under the agreement or compact*  
13               *or the placement of the boundaries of Utah*  
14               *or Nevada; or*

15               *(ii) minimize the likelihood of future*  
16               *residential development on remaining Utah*  
17               *lands.*

18               *(C) Any other provision in the agreement or*  
19               *compact regarding a change in ownership of,*  
20               *management of, or other responsibilities or obli-*  
21               *gations related to—*

22               *(i) providing State, county, or munic-*  
23               *ipal services;*

24               *(ii) public utilities;*

25               *(iii) public schools; or*

1                   (iv) the municipal airport referred to  
2                   in this paragraph.

3                   (6) The agreement or compact is consented to by  
4                   a majority of the registered qualified electors who cast  
5                   a vote on the agreement or compact held in each of  
6                   the cities of West Wendover, Nevada, and Wendover,  
7                   Utah, on the date of the regularly scheduled general  
8                   election for Federal office in 2002. The question in the  
9                   vote held in each of the cities of West Wendover, Ne-  
10                  vada, and Wendover, Utah, under this paragraph  
11                  shall contain the same language to the extent allowed  
12                  by local law. Such language shall explain, with speci-  
13                  ficity sufficient to inform voters, all components of the  
14                  agreement or compact regarding changes in owner-  
15                  ship of, management of, or other responsibilities,  
16                  costs, or obligations related to—

17                         (A) State, county, and municipal social  
18                         and public services;

19                         (B) public utilities;

20                         (C) land use;

21                         (D) community economics;

22                         (E) public schools; and

23                         (F) the local municipal airport.

24                   (b) *EFFECTIVE DATE OF AGREEMENT OR COMPACT.*—

25 *An agreement or compact entered into in accordance with*

1 *subsection (a) shall become effective upon the fulfillment of*  
2 *the requirement of subsection (a)(1) without further consent*  
3 *or ratification on the part of the Congress of the United*  
4 *States.*

5       *(c) UNITED STATES OWNERSHIP AND JURISDICTION*  
6 *RETAINED.—Nothing in this Act or in the agreement or*  
7 *compact consented to under this Act shall be construed to*  
8 *impair or in any manner affect the ownership or jurisdic-*  
9 *tion of the United States in and over any lands within the*  
10 *boundaries of Utah or Nevada.*

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