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# H. R. 2385

[Report No. 107-215]

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 28, 2001

Mr. HANSEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

SEPTEMBER 24, 2001

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 28, 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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 *This Act may be cited as the “Virgin River Dinosaur*  
3 *Footprint Preserve Act”.*

4 **SEC. 2. VIRGIN RIVER DINOSAUR FOOTPRINT PRESERVE.**

5 *(a) AUTHORIZATION FOR GRANT TO PURCHASE FOOT-*  
6 *PRINT PRESERVE.—As soon as is practicable after the date*  
7 *of the enactment of this Act, if the City agrees to the condi-*  
8 *tions set forth in subsection (b), the Secretary of the Interior*  
9 *may award to the City a grant equal to the lesser of*  
10 *\$500,000 or the fair market value of up to 10 acres of land*  
11 *(and all related facilities and other appurtenances thereon)*  
12 *generally depicted on the map entitled “Proposed Virgin*  
13 *River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve”, numbered 09/06/*  
14 *2001–A, for purchase of that property.*

15 *(b) CONDITIONS OF GRANT.—The grant under sub-*  
16 *section (a) shall be made only after the City agrees to the*  
17 *following conditions:*

18 *(1) USE OF LAND.—The City shall use the Vir-*  
19 *gin River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve in a manner*  
20 *that accomplishes the following:*

21 *(A) Preserves and protects the paleontolog-*  
22 *ical resources located within the exterior bound-*  
23 *aries of the Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint*  
24 *Preserve.*

1           (B) Provides opportunities for scientific re-  
2           search in a manner compatible with subpara-  
3           graph (A).

4           (C) Provides the public with opportunities  
5           for educational activities in a manner compat-  
6           ible with subparagraph (A).

7           (2) REVERTER.—If at any time after the City  
8           acquires the Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint Pre-  
9           serve, the Secretary determines that the City is not  
10          substantially in compliance with the conditions de-  
11          scribed in paragraph (1), all right, title, and interest  
12          in and to the Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint Pre-  
13          serve shall immediately revert to the United States,  
14          with no further consideration on the part of the  
15          United States, and such property shall then be under  
16          the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary of the  
17          Interior.

18          (3) CONDITIONS TO BE CONTAINED IN DEED.—  
19          If the City attempts to transfer title to the Virgin  
20          River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve (in whole or in  
21          part), the conditions set forth in this subsection shall  
22          transfer with such title and shall be enforceable  
23          against any subsequent owner of the Virgin River Di-  
24          nosaur Footprint Preserve (in whole or in part).

25          (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND ASSISTANCE.—

1           (1) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.*—*The Secretary*  
2           *shall enter into a cooperative agreement with the City*  
3           *for the management of the Virgin River Dinosaur*  
4           *Footprint Preserve by the City.*

5           (2) *ASSISTANCE.*—*The Secretary may provide to*  
6           *the City—*

7                   (A) *financial assistance, if the Secretary de-*  
8                   *termines that such assistance is necessary for*  
9                   *protection of the paleontological resources located*  
10                   *within the exterior boundaries of the Virgin*  
11                   *River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve; and*

12                   (B) *technical assistance to assist the City in*  
13                   *complying with subparagraphs (A) through (C)*  
14                   *of subsection (b)(1).*

15           (3) *ADDITIONAL GRANTS.*—

16                   (A) *IN GENERAL.*—*In addition to*  
17                   *funds made available under subsection (a)*  
18                   *and paragraph (2) of this subsection, the*  
19                   *Secretary may provide grants to the City to*  
20                   *carry out its duties under the cooperative*  
21                   *agreement entered into under paragraph*  
22                   *(1).*

23                   (B) *LIMITATION ON AMOUNT; RE-*  
24                   *QUIRED NON-FEDERAL MATCH.*—*Grants*  
25                   *under subparagraph (A) shall not exceed*

1                   \$500,000 and shall be provided only to the  
2                   extent that the City matches the amount of  
3                   such grants with non-Federal contributions  
4                   (including in-kind contributions).

5           (d) *MAP ON FILE.*—The map shall be on file and avail-  
6           able for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the  
7           Department of the Interior.

8           (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—For the purposes of this section, the  
9           following definitions apply:

10           (1) *CITY.*—The term “City” means the city of  
11           St. George, Utah.

12           (2) *SECRETARY.*—The term “Secretary” means  
13           the Secretary of the Interior.

14           (3) *VIRGIN RIVER DINOSAUR FOOTPRINT PRE-*  
15           *SERVE.*—The term “Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint  
16           Preserve” means the property (and all facilities and  
17           other appurtenances thereon) described in subsection  
18           (a).

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