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# H. R. 2828

To authorize refunds of amounts collected from Klamath Project irrigation and drainage districts for operation and maintenance of the Project's transferred and reserved works for water year 2001, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 2, 2001

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon (for himself, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. HERGER, Mr. POMBO, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. NETHERCUTT, and Mr. GIBBONS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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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 "Klamath Basin Emer-  
5 gency Operation and Maintenance Refund Act of 2001".

1 **SEC. 2. REFUND AND WAIVER OF PAYMENTS FOR OPER-**  
2 **ATION AND MAINTENANCE OF KLAMATH REC-**  
3 **LAMATION PROJECT.**

4 (a) REFUND OF PAYMENTS BY IRRIGATION AND  
5 DRAINAGE DISTRICT MEMBERS.—The Secretary of the  
6 Interior may pay to each Klamath Project irrigation and  
7 drainage district an amount equal to the amount assessed  
8 and collected from members of the district for operation  
9 and maintenance of Klamath Project transferred and re-  
10 served works for water year 2001. Such payment may be  
11 made to a district only after that district has—

12 (1) provided to the Secretary documentation  
13 satisfactory to the Bureau of Reclamation, dem-  
14 onstrating the total amount assessed and collected  
15 from members of the district; and

16 (2) executed a binding agreement under which  
17 the funds paid to the district pursuant to this sec-  
18 tion shall be distributed to each district member in  
19 an amount equal to the amount assessed and col-  
20 lected from the member for operation and mainte-  
21 nance for water year 2001.

22 (b) WAIVER OF REMAINING AND ADDITIONAL  
23 CHARGES.—The Secretary of the Interior may waive any  
24 requirement that the Klamath Project irrigation and  
25 drainage districts pay remaining or additional charges for

1 operation and maintenance of Klamath Project reserved  
2 works for water year 2001.

3 (c) PAYMENTS AND WAIVERS FOR INDIVIDUALS.—

4 The Secretary—

5 (1) may pay, to any individual within the Klamath  
6 Project who holds a contract entered into pursuant  
7 to the Act of February 21, 1911 (36 Stat. 925;  
8 43 U.S.C. 523–525), popularly known as the “Warren  
9 Act”, and who is not within a district that receives  
10 a payment pursuant to subsection (a) and a  
11 waiver under subsection (b), an amount equal to the  
12 amount collected from such individual for operation  
13 and maintenance of Klamath Project reserved works  
14 for water year 2001; and

15 (2) may forego collection from such individual  
16 of charges for operation and maintenance of such  
17 works for the remainder of water year 2001.

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