

## Calendar No. 591

107<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, with amendments

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**AN ACT**

To convey certain property to the city of St. George, Utah,  
in order to provide for the protection and preservation  
of certain rare paleontological resources on that property,  
and for other purposes.

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 “Virgin River Dinosaur  
5 Footprint Preserve Act”.

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

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

12       (a) *AUTHORIZATION FOR GRANT TO PURCHASE PRE-*  
13 *SERVE.*—*Of the funds appropriated in the section entitled*  
14 *“Land Acquisition” of the Fiscal Year 2002 Interior and*  
15 *Related Agencies Appropriations Act, Public Law 107–63,*  
16 *the Secretary of the Interior shall grant \$500,000 to the*  
17 *City for—*

18               (1) *the purchase of up to 10 acres of land within*  
19 *the area generally depicted as the “Preserve Acquisi-*  
20 *tion Area” on the map entitled “Map B” and dated*  
21 *May 9, 2002; and*

22               (2) *the preservation of such land and paleon-*  
23 *tological resources.*

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

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

4                   (A) Preserves and protects the paleontolog-  
5                   ical resources located within the exterior bound-  
6                   aries of the Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint  
7                   Preserve.

8                   (B) Provides opportunities for scientific re-  
9                   search in a manner compatible with subpara-  
10                  graph (A).

11                  (C) Provides the public with opportunities  
12                  for educational activities in a manner compat-  
13                  ible with subparagraph (A).

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

1           (3) CONDITIONS TO BE CONTAINED IN DEED.—

2           If the City attempts to transfer title to the Virgin  
3           River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve (in whole or in  
4           part), the conditions set forth in this subsection  
5           shall transfer with such title and shall be enforceable  
6           against any subsequent owner of the Virgin River  
7           Dinosaur Footprint Preserve (in whole or in part).

8           (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND ASSISTANCE.—

9           ~~(1) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—The Secretary~~  
10          ~~shall enter into a cooperative agreement with the~~  
11          ~~City for the management of the Virgin River Dino-~~  
12          ~~saur Footprint Preserve by the City.~~

13          ~~(2) (1) ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary may pro-~~  
14          ~~vide to the City—~~

15                 (A) financial assistance, if the Secretary  
16                 determines that such assistance is necessary for  
17                 protection of the paleontological resources lo-  
18                 cated within the exterior boundaries of the Vir-  
19                 gin River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve; and

20                 (B) technical assistance to assist the City  
21                 in complying with subparagraphs (A) through  
22                 (C) of subsection (b)(1).

23          ~~(3) (2) ADDITIONAL GRANTS.—~~

24                 (A) IN GENERAL.—In addition to  
25                 funds made available under subsection (a)

1 and paragraph (2) of this subsection, the  
2 Secretary may provide grants to the City  
3 to carry out its duties under the coopera-  
4 tive agreement entered into under para-  
5 graph (1).

6 (B) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT; RE-  
7 QUIRED NON-FEDERAL MATCH.—Grants  
8 under subparagraph (A) shall not exceed  
9 \$500,000 and shall be provided only to the  
10 extent that the City matches the amount of  
11 such grants with non-Federal contributions  
12 (including in-kind contributions).

13 (d) MAP ON FILE.—The map shall be on file and  
14 available for public inspection in the appropriate offices  
15 of the Department of the Interior.

16 (e) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this section,  
17 the following definitions apply:

18 (1) CITY.—The term “City” means the city of  
19 St. George, Utah.

20 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
21 the Secretary of the Interior.

22 (3) VIRGIN RIVER DINOSAUR FOOTPRINT PRE-  
23 SERVE.—The term “Virgin River Dinosaur Foot-  
24 print Preserve” means the property (and all facilities

- 1 and other appurtenances thereon) described in sub-
- 2 section (a).



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