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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. LINCOLN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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. SALE OR EXCHANGE OF LAND.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture (re-
5 ferred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) may, under such
6 terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, sell
7 or exchange any right, title, and interest of the United

1 States in and to the following National Forest System
2 land and improvements:

3 (1) In the Ouachita National Forest—

4 (A) tract 1, “Work Center and two Resi-
5 dences” (approximately 12.4 acres), as identi-
6 fied on the map entitled “Ouachita National
7 Forest, Waldron, Arkansas, Work Center and
8 Residences” and dated July 26, 2000;

9 (B) tract 2, “Work Center” (approximately
10 acres), as identified on the map entitled
11 “Ouachita National Forest, Booneville, Arkan-
12 sas, Work Center” and dated July 26, 2000;

13 (C) tract 3, “Residence” (approximately ½
14 acre), as identified on the map entitled
15 “Ouachita National Forest, Glenwood, Arkan-
16 sas, Residence” and dated July 26, 2000;

17 (D) tract 4, “Work Center” (approxi-
18 mately 10.12 acres), as identified on the map
19 entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Thornburg,
20 Arkansas, Work Center” and dated July 26,
21 2000;

22 (E) tract 5, “Office Building” (approxi-
23 mately 1.5 acres), as identified on the map enti-
24 tled “Ouachita National Forest, Perryville, Ar-

1 kansas, Office Building” and dated July 26,
2 2000;

3 (F) tract 6, “Several Buildings, Including
4 Office Space and Equipment Depot” (approx-
5 imately 3 acres), as identified on the map enti-
6 tled “Ouachita National Forest, Hot Springs,
7 Arkansas, Buildings” and dated July 26, 2000;

8 (G) tract 7, “Isolated Forestland” (ap-
9 proximately 120 acres), as identified on the
10 map entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Sun-
11 shine, Arkansas, Isolated Forestland” and
12 dated July 26, 2000;

13 (H) tract 8, “Isolated Forestland” (ap-
14 proximately 40 acres), as identified on the map
15 entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Sunshine,
16 Arkansas, Isolated Forestland” and dated July
17 26, 2000;

18 (I) tract 9, “Three Residences” (approx-
19 imately 9.89 acres), as identified on the map en-
20 titled “Ouachita National Forest, Heavener,
21 Oklahoma, Three Residences” and dated July
22 26, 2000;

23 (J) tract 10, “Work Center” (approx-
24 imately 38.91 acres), as identified on the map
25 entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Heavener,

1 Oklahoma, Work Center” and dated July 26,
2 2000;

3 (K) tract 11, “Residence #1” (approxi-
4 mately 0.45 acres), as identified on the map en-
5 titled “Ouachita National Forest, Talihina,
6 Oklahoma, Residence #1” and dated July 26,
7 2000;

8 (L) tract 12, “Residence #2” (approxi-
9 mately 0.21 acres), as identified on the map en-
10 titled “Ouachita National Forest, Talihina,
11 Oklahoma, Residence #2” and dated July 26,
12 2000;

13 (M) tract 13, “Work Center” (approxi-
14 mately 5 acres), as identified on the map enti-
15 tled “Ouachita National Forest, Big Cedar,
16 Oklahoma, Work Center” and dated July 26,
17 2000;

18 (N) tract 14, “Residence” (approximately
19 0.5 acres), as identified on the map entitled
20 “Ouachita National Forest, Idabel, Oklahoma,
21 Residence” and dated July 26, 2000;

22 (O) tract 15, “Residence and Work Cen-
23 ter” (approximately 40 acres), as identified on
24 the map entitled “Ouachita National Forest,

1 Idabel, Oklahoma, Residence and Work Center”
2 and dated July 26, 2000; and

3 (P) tract 16, “Isolated Forestland” at sec.
4 30, T. 2 S., R. 25 W. (approximately 2.08
5 acres), as identified on the map entitled
6 “Ouachita National Forest, Mt. Ida, Arkansas,
7 Isolated Forestland” and dated August 27,
8 2001.

9 (2) In the Ozark-St. Francis National Forest—

10 (A) tract 1, “Tract 750, District 1, Two
11 Residences, Administrative Office” (approx-
12 imately 8.96 acres), as identified on the map
13 entitled “Ozark-St. Francis National Forest,
14 Mountain View, Arkansas, Tract 750, District
15 1, Two Residences, Administrative Office” and
16 dated July 26, 2000;

17 (B) tract 2, “Tract 2736, District 5,
18 Mountainburg Work Center” (approximately
19 1.61 acres), as identified on the map entitled
20 “Ozark-St. Francis National Forest,
21 Mountainburg, Arkansas, Tract 2736, District
22 5, Mountainburg Work Center” and dated July
23 26, 2000;

24 (C) tract 3, “Tract 2686, District 6,
25 House” (approximately 0.31 acres), as identi-

1 fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis
2 National Forest, Paris, Arkansas, Tract 2686,
3 District 6 House” and dated July 26, 2000;

4 (D) tract 4, “Tract 2807, District 6,
5 House” (approximately 0.25 acres), as identi-
6 fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis
7 National Forest, Paris, Arkansas, Tract 2807,
8 District 6, House” and dated July 26, 2000;

9 (E) tract 5, “Tract 2556, District 3, Dover
10 Work Center” (approximately 2.0 acres), as
11 identified on the map entitled “Ozark-St.
12 Francis National Forest, Dover, Arkansas,
13 Tract 2556, District 3, Dover Work Center”
14 and dated July 26, 2000;

15 (F) tract 6, “Tract 2735, District 2,
16 House” (approximately 0.514 acres), as identi-
17 fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis
18 National Forest, Jasper, Arkansas, Tract 2735,
19 District 2, House” and dated July 26, 2000;
20 and

21 (G) tract 7, “Tract 2574, District 2,
22 House” (approximately 0.75 acres), as identi-
23 fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis
24 National Forest, Jasper, Arkansas, Tract 2574,
25 District 2, House” and dated July 26, 2000.

1 (b) APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES.—Except as other-
2 wise provided in this Act, any sale or exchange of land
3 described in subsection (a) shall be subject to laws (includ-
4 ing regulations) applicable to the conveyance and acquisi-
5 tion of land for National Forest System purposes.

6 (c) CASH EQUALIZATION.—Notwithstanding any
7 other provision of law, the Secretary may accept cash
8 equalization payments in excess of 25 percent of the total
9 value of the land described in subsection (a) from any ex-
10 change under subsection (a).

11 (d) SOLICITATIONS OF OFFERS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this Act, the
13 Secretary may use solicitations of offers for sale or
14 exchange under this Act on such terms and condi-
15 tions as the Secretary may prescribe.

16 (2) REJECTION OF OFFERS.—The Secretary
17 may reject any offer under this Act if the Secretary
18 determines that the offer is not adequate or not in
19 the public interest.

20 **SEC. 2. DISPOSITION OF FUNDS.**

21 Any funds received by the Secretary through sale or
22 by cash equalization from an exchange—

23 (1) shall be deposited into the fund established
24 by Public Law 90–171 (commonly known as the
25 “Sisk Act”) (16 U.S.C. 484a); and

1 (2) shall be available for expenditure, without
2 further Act of appropriation, for the acquisition,
3 construction, or improvement of administrative fa-
4 cilities, land, or interests in land for the national
5 forests in the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma.

6 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

7 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
8 as are necessary to carry out this Act.

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