

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2402

To transfer administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal lands from the Army Corps of Engineers to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, to take such lands into trust for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 8, 2021

Mr. FORTENBERRY (for himself, Mr. SOTO, Mr. FEENSTRA, and Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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 “Winnebago Land
5 Transfer Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. LAND TO BE TAKEN INTO TRUST.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to all valid existing rights,
3 all right, title, and interest (including improvements and
4 appurtenances) of the United States in and to the Federal
5 lands described in subsection (b), the Federal lands—

6 (1) are declared to be part of the Winnebago
7 Reservation created by the Treaty between the
8 United States and the Winnebago Tribe in 1865;
9 and

10 (2) shall be held in trust by the United States
11 for the benefit of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska
12 subject to the same terms and conditions as those
13 lands described in the Treaty with the Winnebago
14 Tribe, 1865 (14 Stat. 671).

15 (b) FEDERAL LANDS DESCRIBED.—The Federal
16 lands described in this subsection are as follows:

17 (1) That portion of Tract No. 119, the descrip-
18 tion of which is filed in U.S. District Court for the
19 Northern District of Iowa (Western Division), Civil
20 Case No. 70–C–3015–W, executed May 11, 1973,
21 said tract being situated in Section 8 and the accre-
22 tion land thereto, the Southwest Quarter of Section
23 9, the West Half of Section 16, the East Half of
24 Section 17, Township 86 North, Range 47 West of
25 the Fifth Principal Meridian, Woodbury County,
26 Iowa, lying Easterly of the Nebraska/Iowa State

1 Line and Southerly of the Eastern extension of the
2 North line of the Winnebago Reservation.

3 (2) All of Tract 210, in Iowa, the description of
4 which is filed in a Federal condemnation action in
5 U.S. District Court for the Northern District of
6 Iowa (Western Division), in Civil Case No. 70-C-
7 3015-W.

8 (3) All of Tract 113, in Iowa, the description of
9 which is filed in a Federal condemnation action in
10 U.S. District Court for the State of Nebraska, in
11 Civil Case No. 70-C-03498.

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