

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5050

To repeal the Act of May 31, 1918, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 9, 2014

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

A BILL

To repeal the Act of May 31, 1918, 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 “May 31, 1918 Act Re-
5 peal Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) 1918 ACT.—The term “1918 Act” means
9 the Act of May 31, 1918 (40 Stat. 592, chapter 88).

10 (2) FORT HALL TOWNSITE.—The term “Fort
11 Hall Townsite” means the land that was taken out
12 of trust by being set aside or set apart under the

1 1918 Act on the Fort Hall Reservation, consisting of
2 approximately 120 acres in the East Half of the
3 Northeast Quarter in Section 35 and the West Half
4 of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter in Sec-
5 tion 36, Township 4 South, Range 34 East, Boise
6 Meridian, Idaho, based upon a survey completed on
7 May 19, 1921, and depicted on the document enti-
8 tled “Plat of the Townsite of Fort Hall” on file with
9 Bingham County, Idaho and the Tribes.

10 (3) TRIBES.—The term “Tribes” means the
11 Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reserva-
12 tion.

13 **SEC. 3. REPEAL.**

14 The 1918 Act is repealed.

15 **SEC. 4. RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Tribes shall have the exclu-
17 sive right of first refusal to purchase at fair market value
18 any land—

19 (1) within the Fort Hall Townsite; and

20 (2) offered for sale.

21 (b) ACQUIRED LAND HELD IN TRUST.—The United
22 States shall hold in trust for the benefit of the Tribes or
23 a member of the Tribes, as applicable—

24 (1) any land owned or acquired by the Tribes
25 or a member of the Tribes within the Fort Hall

1 Townsite before the date of enactment of this Act;
2 and

3 (2) any land owned or acquired by the Tribes
4 or a member of the Tribes within the Fort Hall
5 Townsite on or after the date of enactment of this
6 Act.

7 **SEC. 5. EFFECT.**

8 Nothing in this Act affects any valid right to any land
9 set aside or set apart under the 1918 Act.

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