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To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a land exchange involving lands within the boundaries of the Cape Cod National Seashore, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KEATING 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. LAND EXCHANGE INVOLVING CAPE COD NA-**
4 **TIONAL SEASHORE.**

5 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF EXCHANGE.—If title accept-
6 able to the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the
7 National Park Service, referred to hereafter in this section
8 as the “Secretary”) for non-Federal land defined in sub-
9 section (b)(1) is conveyed to the United States, the Sec-

1 retary shall convey to the owner of the non-Federal land,
2 subject to valid existing rights, all right, title, and interest
3 of the United States in and to the Federal land defined
4 in subsection (b)(2).

5 (b) LAND DESCRIPTIONS.—

6 (1) FEDERAL LAND.—The term “Federal land”
7 means the approximately 1.09 acres of land depicted
8 as Tract 22-4556 on the map titled “United States
9 Department of the Interior, National Park Service,
10 Northeast Region, Cape Cod National Seashore”
11 and dated October 20, 1963, Sheet 202-22A.

12 (2) NON-FEDERAL LAND.—The term “non-Fed-
13 eral land” means the approximately 1.02 acres of
14 land depicted as Tract 26-4653 on the map titled
15 “United States, Department of the Interior, Na-
16 tional Park Service, Northeast Region, Cape Cod
17 National Seashore” and dated October 27, 1964,
18 Sheet 202-26.

19 (c) ACCEPTABLE TITLE.—Title to the non-Federal
20 land conveyed to the United States under subsection (a)
21 shall be such title as is acceptable to the Secretary, in con-
22 formance with title approval standards applicable to Fed-
23 eral land acquisitions.

24 (d) APPLICABLE LAWS; TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—
25 The exchange under this section shall be subject to—

1 (1) the laws (including regulations) and policies
2 applicable to exchanges of land administered by the
3 National Park Service, including the laws and poli-
4 cies concerning equalization of values, and environ-
5 mental compliance; with the exception of appraisal
6 requirements, and

7 (2) such terms and conditions as the Secretary
8 determines to be appropriate.

9 (e) APPRAISALS.—For the purpose of valuation of the
10 land proposed for exchange under this section, the Sec-
11 retary may use the appraisals conducted by Michael Sut-
12 ton, Certified General Real Estate Appraiser, and dated
13 July 14 and July 22, 2009.

14 (f) ADMINISTRATION.—The land acquired by the Sec-
15 retary pursuant to the exchange authorized by this section
16 shall be administered as part of the Cape Cod National
17 Seashore.

18 (g) MAPS.—The maps referred to in subsection (a)
19 shall be on file and available for inspection in the appro-
20 priate offices of the Department of the Interior.

21 (h) DEFINITION OF IMPROVED PROPERTY.—Section
22 4(d) of Public Law 87–126 (16 U.S.C. 459b–3(d)) is
23 amended by adding at the end the following: “The term
24 ‘improved property’ includes such dwelling structures (in-
25 cluding the land thereon) as shall be conveyed by the Sec-

- 1 retary pursuant to section 2 in exchange for conveyance
- 2 to or acquisition by the Secretary of an improved property
- 3 as described in this section.”.

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