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H. R. 8145

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BURLISON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Table Rock Lake Prop-

5 erty Flexibility Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. TABLE ROCK LAKE LEASE AGREEMENTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the request of an owner of

8 covered property, the Secretary shall—

1 (1) convey to such owner all right, title, and in-
2 terest of the United States in and to covered land;
3 or

4 (2) enter into a lease agreement with such
5 owner for covered land.

6 (b) CONSIDERATION.—Any owner to which a convey-
7 ance is made under this section or who enters into a lease
8 agreement under this section shall pay to the Secretary
9 an amount that is not more than 150 percent of the fair
10 market value of the covered land.

11 (c) CONVEYANCE CONDITIONS.—The Secretary may
12 not require, as a condition of conveying covered land under
13 this section, an owner to remove any structures existing
14 on such land.

15 (d) LEASE CONDITIONS.—With respect to any cov-
16 ered land that is subject to a lease entered into under this
17 section, the Secretary may not—

18 (1) require the removal of any structures exist-
19 ing on such land before the date on which the lease
20 is entered into; or

21 (2) prohibit or limit the installation of any
22 structures on such land after such date.

23 (e) LEASE FUNDS.—Any amounts generated from a
24 lease agreement entered into under this section shall be
25 used by the Secretary for infrastructure for recreational

1 activities related to the Lake and maintenance of such in-
2 frastructure.

3 (f) LIABILITY.—

4 (1) CONVEYANCE.—An owner to which a con-
5 veyance is made under this section shall hold the
6 United States harmless from any liability with re-
7 spect to activities carried out, on or after the date
8 of the conveyance, on the land conveyed. The United
9 States shall remain responsible for any liability with
10 respect to activities carried out, before such date, on
11 the land conveyed.

12 (2) LEASE.—The United States shall not be lia-
13 ble or responsible for damage to any structure that
14 is installed on covered land that is subject to a lease
15 entered into under this section.

16 **SEC. 3. ALTERATIONS TO DOCKS ON TABLE ROCK LAKE.**

17 The Secretary may not prohibit any individual with
18 a lease or easement for a dock located on the Lake from
19 making alterations to such dock, or to the land adjacent
20 to such dock, that make such dock accessible to individuals
21 with disabilities.

22 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

23 In this Act:

24 (1) COVERED LAND.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “covered
2 land” means the portion of fee land that is
3 within a 100-foot radius of any covered prop-
4 erty and that is directly linear to such covered
5 property.

6 (B) EXCLUSION.—The term “covered
7 land” does not include land that is located with-
8 in the flood plain of the Lake.

9 (2) COVERED PROPERTY.—The term “covered
10 property” means any property located directly adja-
11 cent to fee land.

12 (3) FEE LAND.—The term “fee land” means
13 the land acquired in fee title by the United States
14 for the Lake.

15 (4) LAKE.—The term “Lake” means the Table
16 Rock Lake project of the Corps of Engineers, lo-
17 cated in Missouri and Arkansas, authorized as one
18 of the multiple-purpose reservoir projects in the
19 White River Basin by section 4 of the Act of June
20 28, 1938 (52 Stat. 1218).

21 (5) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
22 the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief
23 of Engineers.

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