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To convey the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium Campus to the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To convey the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium Campus to the District of Columbia, 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 “RFK Memorial Sta-
5 dium Campus Conveyance Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL**
2 **STADIUM CAMPUS TO DISTRICT OF COLUM-**
3 **BIA.**

4 (a) CONVEYANCE.—Subject to the requirements of
5 this section, the Secretary of the Interior shall convey all
6 right, title, and interest of the United States in and to
7 the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium Campus to the
8 District of Columbia.

9 (b) CONSIDERATION.—

10 (1) PAYMENT OF CONSIDERATION.—As consid-
11 eration for the conveyance under subsection (a), the
12 District of Columbia shall pay to the Secretary of
13 the Interior such amount as may be agreed to by the
14 District and the Secretary, except that the amount
15 may not be less than the fair market value of the
16 right, title, and interest conveyed under such sub-
17 section, based on an appraisal meeting the require-
18 ments of paragraph (2).

19 (2) REQUIREMENTS FOR APPRAISAL.—The re-
20 quirements for the appraisal described in paragraph
21 (1) are as follows:

22 (A) The appraisal is carried out by an ap-
23 praiser who is jointly selected by representatives
24 of both the Secretary and the District of Co-
25 lumbia.

1 (B) The appraisal is conducted in accord-
2 ance with the Uniform Appraisal Standards for
3 Federal Land Acquisitions and the Uniform
4 Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

5 (C) The appraisal is based on an assess-
6 ment of the property “As Is”, as if the property
7 conveyed were vacant and unimproved as of the
8 date of the enactment of this Act, except that
9 the appraisal may take into account the terms
10 and conditions required under subsection (c).

11 (D) The appraisal takes into account any
12 costs associated with environmental remediation
13 and flood plain mitigation of the Robert F.
14 Kennedy Stadium Campus.

15 (E) The appraisal takes into account any
16 costs associated with the demolition of any ex-
17 isting structures on the Robert F. Kennedy Me-
18 morial Stadium Campus.

19 (3) TIMING OF PAYMENTS.—Not later than 30
20 days after the date of the conveyance under sub-
21 section (a), the District of Columbia shall pay to the
22 Secretary an amount equal to one-fourth of the
23 amount of the consideration determined under this
24 subsection, and shall pay the remaining balance in
25 equal amounts on the first day of each of the next

1 3 fiscal years which begin after the expiration of the
2 1-year period which begins on the date on which the
3 District makes the initial payment under this para-
4 graph.

5 (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

6 (1) CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEVELOPMENT
7 OF PROPERTY.—As a condition of the conveyance
8 under subsection (a), the District of Columbia shall
9 certify to the Secretary of the Interior prior to the
10 conveyance that the development or use of any prop-
11 erty conveyed under such subsection shall meet the
12 following requirements:

13 (A) The development or use shall not un-
14 dermine the restoration of the wetlands south
15 of Kingman Island.

16 (B) The development or use shall provide
17 for improved public access to the Anacostia
18 River including through walking trails and
19 kayak and canoe areas that complement the
20 Anacostia River Trail, and shall not interrupt
21 the design of the Anacostia River Trail.

22 (2) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

23 The Secretary may require such additional terms
24 and conditions in connection with the conveyance
25 under subsection (a) as the Secretary considers ap-

1 appropriate to protect the interests of the United
2 States.

3 (d) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

4 (1) PAYMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of
5 the Interior shall require the District of Columbia to
6 cover the costs to be incurred by the Secretary, or
7 to reimburse the Secretary for such costs incurred
8 by the Secretary, to carry out the conveyance under
9 subsection (a), including survey costs, costs for envi-
10 ronmental documentation, and any other administra-
11 tive costs related to the conveyance. If amounts are
12 collected from the District of Columbia in advance
13 of the Secretary incurring the actual costs, and the
14 amount collected exceeds the costs actually incurred
15 by the Secretary to carry out the conveyance, the
16 Secretary shall refund the excess amount to the Dis-
17 trict of Columbia.

18 (2) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED.—
19 Amounts received as reimbursement under para-
20 graph (1) shall be credited to the fund or account
21 that was used to cover those costs incurred by the
22 Secretary in carrying out the conveyance. Amounts
23 so credited shall be merged with amounts in such
24 fund or account, and shall be available for the same

1 purposes, and subject to the same conditions and
2 limitations, as amounts in such fund or account.

3 (e) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage
4 and legal description of the property to be exchanged
5 under this section shall be determined by surveys satisfac-
6 tory to the Secretary of the Interior.

7 (f) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
8 tion may be construed—

9 (1) to affect any obligations of the Secretary of
10 the Interior with respect to the Robert F. Kennedy
11 Memorial Stadium Campus under the National En-
12 vironmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et
13 seq.) or the Comprehensive Environmental Re-
14 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42
15 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.); or

16 (2) to require the Secretary of the Interior to
17 pay any costs and expenses, other than costs and ex-
18 penses related to or associated with environmental li-
19 abilities or cleanup actions provided under law,
20 which are incurred by the District of Columbia or
21 any other party (other than the United States) at
22 any time in connection with carrying out this section
23 or the amendment made by this section.

24 (g) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Effective upon the
25 date of the conveyance under subsection (a), section 7 of

1 the District of Columbia Stadium Act of 1957 (sec. 3–
2 326, D.C. Official Code) is repealed.

3 (h) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “Robert
4 F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium Campus” means such por-
5 tion of the Stadium, as defined in section 11 of the Dis-
6 trict of Columbia Stadium Act of 1957 (sec. 3–330, D.C.
7 Official Code), in which right, title, and interest is held
8 by the United States as of the date of the enactment of
9 this Act, as set forth in the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial
10 Stadium map produced by the National Park Service on
11 March 14, 2019.

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