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H. R. 3986

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a
water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler
Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 That section 1208 of Public Law 103–434 (108 Stat.
2 4562) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) in the subsection heading, by inserting
5 “OR WATER EXCHANGE” after “ELECTRIFICA-
6 TION”;

7 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2),
8 and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), re-
9 spectively, and indenting appropriately;

10 (C) by striking “In order to” and inserting
11 the following:

12 “(1) ELECTRIFICATION.—In order to”; and

13 (D) by adding at the end the following:

14 “(2) WATER EXCHANGE ALTERNATIVE.—

15 “(A) IN GENERAL.—As an alternative to
16 the measures authorized under paragraph (1)
17 for electrification, the Secretary is authorized to
18 use not more than \$4,000,000 of sums appro-
19 priated under paragraph (1) to study the engi-
20 neering feasibility of exchanging water from the
21 Columbia River for water historically diverted
22 from the Yakima River.

23 “(B) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out
24 subparagraph (A), the Secretary, in coordina-
25 tion with the Kennewick Irrigation District and

1 in consultation with the Bonneville Power Ad-
2 ministration, shall—

3 “(i) prepare a report that describes
4 project benefits and contains feasibility
5 level designs and cost estimates;

6 “(ii) secure the critical right-of-way
7 areas for the pipeline alignment;

8 “(iii) prepare an environmental as-
9 sessment; and

10 “(iv) conduct such other studies or in-
11 vestigations as are necessary to develop a
12 water exchange.”;

13 (2) in subsection (b)—

14 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or
15 water exchange” after “electrification”; and

16 (B) in the second sentence of paragraph
17 (2)(A), by inserting “or the equivalent of the
18 rate” before the period;

19 (3) in subsection (d), by striking “electrifica-
20 tion,” each place it appears and inserting “elec-
21 trification or water exchange”; and

1 (4) in subsection (d), by striking “of the two”
2 and inserting “thereof”.

 Passed the House of Representatives September 20,
2000.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.