

Public Law 113–262
113th Congress

An Act

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

Dec. 18, 2014

[H.R. 5050]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

May 31, 1918 Act
Repeal Act.
Idaho.
Native
Americans.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “May 31, 1918 Act Repeal Act”.

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

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

(2) **FORT HALL TOWNSITE.**—The term “Fort Hall Townsite” means the land that was taken out of trust by being set aside or set apart under the 1918 Act on the Fort Hall Reservation, consisting of approximately 120 acres in the East Half of the Northeast Quarter in Section 35 and the West Half of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter in Section 36, Township 4 South, Range 34 East, Boise Meridian, Idaho, based upon a survey completed on May 19, 1921, and depicted on the document entitled “Plat of the Townsite of Fort Hall” on file with Bingham County, Idaho and the Tribes.

(3) **TRIBES.**—The term “Tribes” means the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation.

SEC. 3. REPEAL.

The 1918 Act is repealed.

SEC. 4. RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Tribes shall have the exclusive right of first refusal to purchase at fair market value any land—

- (1) within the Fort Hall Townsite; and
- (2) offered for sale.

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

- (1) any land owned or acquired by the Tribes or a member of the Tribes within the Fort Hall Townsite before the date of enactment of this Act; and
- (2) any land owned or acquired by the Tribes or a member of the Tribes within the Fort Hall Townsite on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 5. EFFECT.

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

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