

1 *administration facilities in the Black Hills National*
2 *Forest in the State.*

3 (9) *ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS.—Notwith-*
4 *standing section 120(h)(3)(A) of the Comprehensive*
5 *Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liabil-*
6 *ity Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9620(h)(3)(A)), the Sec-*
7 *retary shall not be required to provide any covenant*
8 *or warranty for the Federal land conveyed to the*
9 *State under this section.*

10 **SEC. 302. CONVEYANCES TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA.**

11 (a) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

12 (1) *AVAILABLE STATE-SELECTED LAND.—The*
13 *term “available State-selected land” means Federal*
14 *land in the State that has been selected by the State*
15 *pursuant to section 6(b) of Public Law 85–508 (com-*
16 *monly known as the “Alaska Statehood Act”) (48*
17 *U.S.C. note prec. 21), including land upon which the*
18 *State has, prior to December 31, 1993, filed a future*
19 *selection application under section 906(e) of the Alas-*
20 *ka National Interest Lands Conservation Act (43*
21 *U.S.C. 1635(e)), but not conveyed or patented to the*
22 *State, pursuant to Public Law 85–508 (commonly*
23 *known as the “Alaska Statehood Act”) (48 U.S.C.*
24 *note prec. 21).*

1 (2) *INHOLDING.*—*The term “inholding” means*
2 *any interest in land owned by the University with-*
3 *in—*

4 (A) *any conservation system unit (as de-*
5 *finied in section 102 of the Alaska National In-*
6 *terest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3102));*
7 *or*

8 (B) *any unit of the National Forest System*
9 *in the State.*

10 (3) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
11 *the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Bu-*
12 *reau of Land Management.*

13 (4) *STATE.*—*The term “State” means the State*
14 *of Alaska.*

15 (5) *UNIVERSITY.*—*The term “University” means*
16 *the University of Alaska, acting through the Board of*
17 *Regents.*

18 (b) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*The Secretary shall establish a*
19 *program within the Bureau of Land Management—*

20 (1) *to identify and convey available State-se-*
21 *lected land to the University to support higher edu-*
22 *cation in the State; and*

23 (2) *to acquire, by purchase or exchange, Univer-*
24 *sity-owned inholdings in the State.*

1 (c) *IDENTIFICATION OF LAND TO BE CONVEYED TO*
2 *THE UNIVERSITY.*—

3 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 4 years after
4 the date of enactment of this Act, the State and the
5 University may jointly identify not more than
6 500,000 acres of available State-selected land for in-
7 clusion in the program established under subsection
8 (b), of which not more than 360,000 acres may be
9 conveyed and patented to the University.

10 (2) *TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.*—On the request of
11 the State and the University, the Secretary shall pro-
12 vide technical assistance in the identification of avail-
13 able State-selected land for inclusion in the program
14 established under subsection (b).

15 (3) *MAPS.*—As soon as practicable after the date
16 on which the available State-selected land is identified
17 under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit to
18 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of
19 the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources
20 of the House of Representatives 1 or more maps de-
21 picting the available State-selected land identified for
22 potential conveyance to the University.

23 (4) *CONVEYANCE.*—Subject to paragraph (5), if
24 the State and the University notify the Secretary in
25 writing that the State and the University jointly con-

1 *cur with the conveyance of all or a portion of the*
2 *available State-selected land identified under para-*
3 *graph (1), and that the State will conditionally relin-*
4 *quish the selection rights of the State to the land cov-*
5 *ered by the notification on the issuance of the land*
6 *being tentatively approved, and will fully relinquish*
7 *those selection rights on final patent by the Secretary*
8 *to the University, the Secretary shall convey the ap-*
9 *plicable identified available State-selected land to the*
10 *University, subject to valid existing rights, in the*
11 *same manner and subject to the same terms, condi-*
12 *tions, and limitations as is applicable to the State*
13 *under section 6(b) of Public Law 85–508 (commonly*
14 *known as the “Alaska Statehood Act”) (48 U.S.C.*
15 *note prec. 21) and other applicable law, to be held in*
16 *trust for the exclusive use and benefit of the Univer-*
17 *sity, to be administered in accordance with subsection*
18 *(e).*

19 (5) *TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—*

20 (A) *MAXIMUM ACREAGE.—Subject to sub-*
21 *paragraph (C), the Secretary shall convey not*
22 *more than a total of 360,000 acres of available*
23 *State-selected land to the University under this*
24 *subsection, not to exceed the remaining entitle-*
25 *ment of the State under section 6(b) of Public*

1 *Law 85–508 (commonly known as the “Alaska*
2 *Statehood Act”)* (48 U.S.C. note prec. 21).

3 *(B) LETTERS OF CONCURRENCE.—For pur-*
4 *poses of paragraph (4) and subject to the max-*
5 *imum acreage limitation under paragraph (1),*
6 *the State and the University may submit to the*
7 *Secretary 1 or more joint letters of concurrence*
8 *identifying parcels of available State selected*
9 *land for conveyance as a subset of the total acres*
10 *to be conveyed under this subsection.*

11 *(C) ACREAGE CHARGED AGAINST ALASKA*
12 *STATEHOOD ACT ENTITLEMENT.—The acreage of*
13 *land conveyed to the University under this sub-*
14 *section shall be charged against the remaining*
15 *entitlement of the State under section 6(b) of*
16 *Public Law 85–508 (commonly known as the*
17 *“Alaska Statehood Act”)* (48 U.S.C. note prec.
18 *21).*

19 *(D) SURVEY COSTS.—In accordance with*
20 *Public Law 85–508 (commonly known as the*
21 *“Alaska Statehood Act”)* (48 U.S.C. note prec.
22 *21), the Secretary shall be responsible for the*
23 *costs of required surveys.*

24 *(E) SUBMERGED LANDS.—Lands beneath*
25 *navigable waters (as defined in section 2 of the*

1 *Submerged Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1301)* shall
2 not be available for conveyance to the University
3 under the program established under subsection
4 (b).

5 (d) *UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA INHOLDINGS.*—

6 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary or the Sec-*
7 *retary of Agriculture, as appropriate, may acquire by*
8 *purchase or exchange, with the consent of the Univer-*
9 *sity, University-owned inholdings within Federal*
10 *land in the State.*

11 (2) *APPRAISALS.*—*The value of the land to be ex-*
12 *changed or acquired under this subsection shall be de-*
13 *termined by the Secretary or the Secretary of Agri-*
14 *culture, as appropriate, through appraisals con-*
15 *ducted—*

16 (A) *in accordance with—*

17 (i) *the Uniform Appraisal Standards*
18 *for Federal Land Acquisitions; and*

19 (ii) *the Uniform Standards of Profes-*
20 *sional Appraisal Practice; and*

21 (B) *by a qualified appraiser mutually*
22 *agreed to by the Secretary or the Secretary of*
23 *Agriculture, as appropriate, and the University.*

24 (3) *EQUAL VALUE EXCHANGES.*—*For any land*
25 *exchange entered into under this subsection, the Fed-*

1 *eral land and University-owned inholdings exchanged*
2 *shall be of equal value.*

3 (4) *PURCHASE ACQUISITIONS.*—*Pursuant to*
4 *chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, amounts*
5 *in the Land and Water Conservation Fund estab-*
6 *lished by section 200302 of that title may be used for*
7 *the purchase of University-owned inholdings within*
8 *Federal land in the State under this subsection.*

9 (5) *REQUIREMENT.*—*Any land acquired by the*
10 *United States under this subsection shall be adminis-*
11 *tered in accordance with the laws (including regula-*
12 *tions) applicable to the conservation system unit or*
13 *unit of the National Forest System in which the land*
14 *is located.*

15 (e) *ADMINISTRATION OF CONVEYED OR EXCHANGED*
16 *LAND.*—*All available State-selected land that is tentatively*
17 *approved or conveyed to the University under this section,*
18 *and all land or assets acquired by the University through*
19 *an exchange under this section, together with the income*
20 *therefrom and the proceeds from any dispositions thereof,*
21 *shall be administered by the University in trust to meet*
22 *the necessary expenses of higher education programs, simi-*
23 *lar to prior Federal land grants to the University.*

24 (f) *STATE AND UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATION.*—*Nothing*
25 *in this section requires the State or the University—*

1 (1) *to participate in the program established*
2 *under subsection (b); or*

3 (2) *to enter into sales or exchanges of University-*
4 *owned inholdings under subsection (d).*

5 (g) *CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later than*
6 *90 days after the date of any conveyance and patent to the*
7 *University under this section, the Secretary shall notify the*
8 *Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate*
9 *and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of*
10 *Representatives of the land conveyed and patented.*

11 (h) *NO EFFECT ON ALASKA STATEHOOD ACT ENTIT-*
12 *LEMENT.—Except for any available State-selected land*
13 *conveyed under subsection (c) and charged against the re-*
14 *maining entitlement of the State under section 6(b) of Pub-*
15 *lic Law 85–508 (commonly known as the “Alaska Statehood*
16 *Act”)* (48 U.S.C. note prec. 21)—

17 (1) *the operation of the program established*
18 *under subsection (b) shall not diminish or alter the*
19 *rights of the State to receive the entitlement of the*
20 *State in any way; and*

21 (2) *the State may continue to pursue the transfer*
22 *of the remaining entitlement of the State under sec-*
23 *tion 6(b) of Public Law 85–508 (commonly known as*
24 *the “Alaska Statehood Act”)* (48 U.S.C. note prec. 21)
25 *at any time.*