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H. R. 4803

[Report No. 63.]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JANUARY 7, 1924.

Mr. SNYDER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

JANUARY 18, 1924.

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

[Insert the part printed in *italic*.]

A BILL

To authorize the sale of lands and plants not longer needed for Indian administrative or allotment purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby,
4 authorized in his discretion to sell and convey by deed or
5 patent, under such terms and conditions as he may pre-
6 scribe, at not less than their appraised value, nonreserva-
7 tion Government tracts or plants or tribal administrative
8 plants or reserves, or parts thereof, *not exceeding forty acres*
9 *in area and not exceeding \$2,000 in value,* not longer needed
10 for Indian administrative or allotment purposes, and small
11 unallotted tracts not exceeding forty acres, where a sale will

1 serve the tribal interests. All sales made under this Act
2 shall be at public auction, to the highest and best bidder.

3 And the Secretary of the Interior is further authorized
4 where a tract to be disposed of under this or any other Act
5 authorizing the disposition of tribal lands requires survey
6 as basis for a deed or patent, to accept from the grantee,
7 in addition to the purchase price, an amount sufficient to
8 cover the survey costs.

9 The net proceeds of sale of any tribal site, plant, or tract
10 shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to
11 the credit of the Indians owning the same, to be disposed
12 of for their benefit in accordance with existing law; and
13 the net proceeds of sales of Government-owned nontribal
14 plants or lands shall be deposited in the Treasury of the
15 United States.

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