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2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4938

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2002

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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## AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study to determine the most feasible method of developing a safe and adequate municipal, rural, and industrial water supply for the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska, 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. STUDY; REPORT.**

4        (a) STUDY.—Pursuant to reclamation laws, the Sec-  
5 retary of the Interior (hereafter in this Act referred to  
6 as the “Secretary”), through the Bureau of Reclamation  
7 and in consultation with the Santee Sioux Tribe of Ne-  
8 braska (hereafter in this section referred to as the  
9 “Tribe”), shall conduct a feasibility study to determine the  
10 most feasible method of developing a safe and adequate  
11 municipal, rural, and industrial water treatment and dis-  
12 tribution system for the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska  
13 that could serve the tribal community and adjacent com-  
14 munities and incorporate population growth and economic  
15 development activities for a period of 40 years.

16        (b) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—At the request of  
17 the Tribe, the Secretary shall enter into a cooperative  
18 agreement with the Tribe for activities necessary to con-  
19 duct the study required by subsection (a) regarding which  
20 the Tribe has unique expertise or knowledge.

21        (c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after funds are  
22 made available to carry out this Act, the Secretary shall  
23 transmit to Congress a report containing the results of  
24 the study required by subsection (a).

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2       There is authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-  
3 retary \$500,000 to carry out this Act.

        Passed the House of Representatives September 24,  
2002.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

*Clerk.*