

EN BLOC AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3189
OFFERED BY MR. TIPTON OF COLORADO

Page 2, line 8, strike “or relinquishment”.

Page 2, line 9, after “United States,” insert “or any impairment of title,”.

Page 2, line 9, after “granted” insert “or otherwise recognized”.

Page 2, beginning on line 12, strike “and the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture”.

Page 2, line 14, after “for” insert “or acquire”.

Page 2, after line 19, add the following new sections:

1 SEC. 3. DEFINITION.

2 For purposes of this Act, the term “water right”
3 means any surface, groundwater, or storage use filed, per-
4 mitted, certificated, confirmed, decreed, adjudicated, or
5 otherwise recognized by a judicial proceeding or by the
6 State in which the user acquires possession of the water
7 or puts it to beneficial use.

8 SEC. 4. IMPACT ON EXISTING AUTHORITY.

9 Nothing in this Act limits or expands any existing
10 authority of the Secretaries to condition any permit, ap-

- 1 proval, license, lease, allotment, easement, right-of-way, or
- 2 other land use or occupancy agreement on Federal lands
- 3 subject to their respective jurisdictions.

Amend the title so as to read: “A Bill to prohibit the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer of any water right to the United States by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture.”.

