Amendment to H.R. 2208 Offered by Mr. Hastings of Washington

Page 1, line 5, strike "of 2013".

Beginning at page 2, line 3, strike "is amended" and all that follows through line 4 and insert "is amended by striking 'not to exceed—' and all that follows through paragraph (5) and inserting 'not to exceed \$35,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2015 through 2018.'.".

Add at the end the following:

SEC. __. LIMITATION ON EXPENDITURES FOR FEE TITLE ACQUISITION.

(a) LIMITATION.--Section 6 of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4405) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(c) LIMITATION ON EXPENDITURES FOR LAND ACQUISITION.— Amounts appropriated under the authority of this Act may not be used—

"(1) by the Secretary to acquire fee title to land on behalf of the United States;

"(2) by the Secretary to acquire fee title to any land from a third party who used funds appropriated under the authority of this Act to acquire fee title to that land unless the Secretary can certify that the Secretary has sufficient available funds to properly manage and maintain the land being acquired, including the provision of access for hunting; "(3) by a nongovernment organization to acquire fee title to land within the United States unless the acquisition is approved by the State or insular area fish and wildlife agency with jurisdiction with respect to that land.".

(b) APPLICATION.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall not apply with respect to any specific land acquisition required by contract or other agreement entered into before the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. ___. ANNUAL REPORT ON EXPENDITURES.

Section 10(2) of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4409(2)) is amended to read as follows:

"(2) an annual assessment of the status of wetlands conservation projects, including an accounting of—

"(A) expenditures by Federal, State, and other United States entities;

"(B) expenditures made for fee-simple acquisition of Federal lands in the United States; and

"(C) expenditures by Canadian and Mexican sources to carry out wetland projects funded under this Act.".