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114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2749

To amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. VALADAO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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A BILL

To amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Dams Accountability, Maintenance, and Safety Act".

SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL PROJECT BENEFITS.

The Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 (43 U.S.C. 506 ct seq.) is amended—

1 (1) in section 3, by striking "Construction" and
2 inserting "Except as provided in section 5B, con-
3 struction"; and
4 (2) by inserting after section 5A (43 U.S.C.
5 509) the following:

6 **"SEC. 5B ADDITIONAL PROJECT BENEFITS.**

7 "Notwithstanding section 3, if the Secretary deter-
8 mines that additional project benefits, including additional
9 conservation storage capacity, are feasible and not incon-
10 sistent with the purposes of this Act, the Secretary is au-
11 thorized to develop additional project benefits through the
12 construction of new or supplementary works on a project
13 in conjunction with the Secretary's activities under section
14 2 and subject to the conditions described in the feasibility
15 study, provided that—
16 "(1) the Secretary determines that developing
17 additional project benefits through the construction
18 of new or supplementary works on a project will pro-
19 mote more efficient management of water and
20 water-related facilities;
21 "(2) the feasibility study pertaining to addi-
22 tional project benefits has been authorized pursuant
23 to section 8 of the Federal Water Project Recreation
24 Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601–18); and

1 "(3) the costs associated with developing the
2 additional project benefits are allocated to the au-
3 thorized purposes of the structure and repaid con-
4 sistent with all provisions of Federal Reclamation
5 law (the Act of June 17, 1902, 43 U.S.C. 371 et
6 seq.) and Acts supplemental to and amendatory of
7 that Act.".