

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 131
OFFERED BY MS. BOEBERT OF COLORADO

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Finish the Arkansas
3 Valley Conduit Act”.

4 SEC. 2. ARKANSAS VALLEY CONDUIT, COLORADO.

5 Public Law 87–590 (76 Stat. 389; 123 Stat. 1320)
6 is amended—

7 (1) in the first section—

8 (A) in subsection (c), in the second sen-
9 tence, by striking “or in the case of the Arkan-
10 sas Valley Conduit, payment in an amount
11 equal to 35 percent of the cost of the conduit
12 that is comprised of revenue generated by pay-
13 ments pursuant to a repayment contract and
14 revenue that may be derived from contracts for
15 the use of Fryingpan-Arkansas project excess
16 capacity or exchange contracts using
17 Fryingpan-Arkansas project facilities,”; and

18 (B) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(d) ARKANSAS VALLEY CONDUIT.—

2 “(1) REPAYMENT CONTRACT.—To provide do-
3 mestic water supplies to communities and house-
4 holds that do not have reliable access to domestic
5 water supplies, the contract for the Arkansas Valley
6 Conduit shall provide for payment in an amount
7 equal to 35 percent of the cost of the conduit, not-
8 withstanding the reclamation laws or any other pro-
9 vision of this Act. The contract payments shall con-
10 sist of—

11 “(A) funding provided during construction
12 from any entity other than the Secretary; and

13 “(B) based on a demonstration of financial
14 hardship, as determined by the Secretary, re-
15 payment of the balance not covered under sub-
16 paragraph (A) for a period of not more than 75
17 years with simple interest at a rate that is
18 equal to 50 percent of the interest rate deter-
19 mined by the Secretary of the Treasury under
20 section 2(c), including revenue derived from
21 contracts for the use of excess capacity or ex-
22 change contracts using Fryingpan-Arkansas
23 project facilities.

24 “(2) OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE.—The
25 contract for the Arkansas Valley Conduit shall pro-

1 vide for the assumption by the contracting parties of
2 the care, operation, maintenance, and replacement of
3 the conduit.”; and

4 (2) in section 2(b)(3)(A), by striking “this sec-
5 tion” and inserting “subsection (d) of the first sec-
6 tion”.

