

1 Changes to such estimates shall be presented to the Com-
2 mittees on Appropriations for approval.

3 MINING APPLICATIONS

4 SEC. 404. (a) LIMITATION OF FUNDS.—None of the
5 funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant
6 to this Act shall be obligated or expended to accept or
7 process applications for a patent for any mining or mill
8 site claim located under the general mining laws.

9 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if
10 the Secretary of the Interior determines that, for the claim
11 concerned (1) a patent application was filed with the Sec-
12 retary on or before September 30, 1994; and (2) all re-
13 quirements established under sections 2325 and 2326 of
14 the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 29 and 30) for vein or
15 lode claims, sections 2329, 2330, 2331, and 2333 of the
16 Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 35, 36, and 37) for placer
17 claims, and section 2337 of the Revised Statutes (30
18 U.S.C. 42) for mill site claims, as the case may be, were
19 fully complied with by the applicant by that date.

20 (c) REPORT.—On September 30, 2015, the Secretary
21 of the Interior shall file with the House and Senate Com-
22 mittees on Appropriations and the Committee on Natural
23 Resources of the House and the Committee on Energy and
24 Natural Resources of the Senate a report on actions taken
25 by the Department under the plan submitted pursuant to