

Calendar No. 489

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 2796****[Report No. 118–211]**

To provide for the equitable settlement of certain Indian land disputes
regarding land in Illinois, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

Mr. MULLIN (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. DURBIN) introduced the
following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on In-
dian Affairs

SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

Reported by Mr. SCHATZ, without amendment

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.**

4 (a) JURISDICTION CONFERRED ON THE UNITED
5 STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
2 provision of law, the United States Court of Federal
3 Claims shall have jurisdiction to hear, determine,
4 and render judgment on a land claim of the Miami
5 Tribe of Oklahoma under its Treaty with the United
6 States of America signed at Grouseland August 21,
7 1805 (7 Stat. 91) (commonly known as the “Treaty
8 of Grouseland”), without regard to the statute of
9 limitations, including section 2501 of title 28,
10 United States Code, and any delay-based defense, no
11 matter how characterized.

12 (2) JURISDICTION EXPIRATION.—Not later
13 than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act,
14 the jurisdiction conferred to the United States Court
15 of Federal Claims under paragraph (1) shall expire
16 unless the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma files a land
17 claim under that paragraph.

18 (b) EXTINGUISHMENT OF TITLE AND CLAIMS.—Ex-
19 cept for a claim filed under subsection (a)(1), all other
20 claims, including any and all future claims, of the Miami
21 Tribe of Oklahoma, or any member, descendant, or prede-
22 cessor in interest to the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, to land
23 in the State of Illinois are extinguished.

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