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1ST SESSION

# H. R. 42

To amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude certain payments to aged, blind, or disabled Alaska Natives or descendants of Alaska Natives from being used to determine eligibility for certain programs, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 2025

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

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## 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Alaska Native Settle-  
5       ment Trust Eligibility Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMS.**

2 Section 29(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement  
3 Act (43 U.S.C. 1626(c)) is amended, in the undesignated  
4 matter following paragraph (3), by striking subparagraph  
5 (E) and inserting the following:

6 “(E) an interest in a Settlement Trust and, for  
7 the 5-year period beginning on the date of the enact-  
8 ment of the Alaska Native Settlement Trust Eligi-  
9 bility Act, an amount distributed from or benefit  
10 provided by a Settlement Trust to a Native or de-  
11 scendant of a Native who is an aged, blind, or dis-  
12 abled individual (as defined in section 1614(a) of the  
13 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1382c(a))).”.

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