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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS—113th CONGRESS

	2013, 1ST SESS.	2014, 2ND SESS.	TOTALS
REFERRED BY THE SENATE			
Senate bills	30	21	51
House bills	5	2	7
Senate resolutions	2	0	2
House resolutions	0	0	0
Senate joint resolutions	0	0	0
House joint resolutions	0	0	0
Senate concurrent resolution	0	0	0
House concurrent resolution	0	0	0
Total Legislation	37	23	60
Executive communications	23	6	29
Petitions	3	0	3
Nominations	2	3	5
Presidential messages	0	0	0
Total Activity	28	9	37
REPORTED TO THE SENATE			
Senate bills	0	20	20
House bills	1	3	4
Senate resolutions	1	1	2
Senate joint resolutions	0	0	0
House joint resolutions	0	0	0
Nominations	1	1	2
Total	3	25	28
SENATE AND HOUSE BILLS WHICH HAVE BECOME LAW			
Public	2	8	10
Private	0	0	0
Total	2	8	10
HEARINGS HELD			
Senate bills	4	7	11
House bills	0	0	0
Senate resolutions	0	0	0
House resolutions	0	0	0
Senate joint resolutions	0	0	0
House joint resolutions	0	0	0
Nominations	2	1	3
Oversight investigations	6	15	21
Total	12	23	35

	2013, 1ST SESS.	2014, 2ND SESS.	TOTALS
Meetings			
Hearings	12	23	35
Business sessions	4	5	9
Executive sessions	0	0	0
Total	16	28	44

**SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS, JOINT AND CONCURRENT
RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

SENATE BILLS	SENATE BILLS	SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS	SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS	SENATE RESOLUTIONS
S. 161	S. 1948			S. Res. 52
S. 165	S. 1998			S. Res. 239
S. 235	S. 2040			
S. 385	S. 2041			
S. 402	S. 2132			
S. 416	S. 2160			
S. 434	S. 2188			
S. 477	S. 2299			
S. 513	S. 2442			
S. 611	S. 2458			
S. 640	S. 2465			
S. 919	S. 2479			
S. 920	S. 2480			
S. 1046	S. 2503			
S. 1074	S. 2668			
S. 1131	S. 2670			
S. 1132	S. 2713			
S. 1219	S. 2847			
S. 1352	S. 2923			
S. 1374	S. 2945			
S. 1394	S. 2960			
S. 1447				
S. 1448				
S. 1474				
S. 1477				
S. 1570				
S. 1574				
S. 1603				
S. 1622				
S. 1818				

**HOUSE BILLS, JOINT AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO
COMMITTEE**

HOUSE BILLS	HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLU- TIONS	HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS	HOUSE RESOLUTIONS
H.R. 623 H.R. 841 H.R. 1410 H.R. 2388 H.R. 2650 H.R. 4002 H.R. 4329			

REPORTS

SENATE REPORTS	BILL NO.	SENATE REPORTS	BILL NO.	HOUSE REPORTS	BILL NO.
113-208	S. 161			113-197	H.R. 2388
113-136	S. 611				
113-285	S. 919				
113-209	S. 1074				
113-215	S. 1219				
113-152	S. 1352				
113-246	S. 1447				
113-202	S. 1448				
113-260	S. 1474				
113-194	S. 1603				
113-264	S. 1622				
113-220	S. 1818				
113-265	S. 1948				
113-242	S. 2040				
113-271	S. 2041				
113-224	S. 2132				
113-266	S. 2299				
113-267	S. 2465				
113-277	S. 2479				
113-278	S. 2480				

PUBLIC LAWS

PUBLIC LAWS	BILL NO.	PUBLIC LAWS	BILL NO.
113-68	H.R. 623 (S.235)		
113-127	H.R. 2388		
113-88	H.R. 2650 (S. 920)		
113-119	S. 611		
113-179	S. 1603		
113-121	H.R. 3080 (S. 513)		
113-70	H.R. 2319 (S. 1046)		
113-169	H.R. 3716 (S. 1818)		
113-275	S. 1474		
113-232	S. 2040		

SENATE BILLS

The final status of legislation acted on by the Committee during the 113th session of the Congress is set forth below. Bills on the Committee roster not acted on and not listed below may be reintroduced in the next session of the Congress.

S. 161	January 28, 2013	S. 402	February 28, 2013
Mr. Tester for himself; Mr. Baucus and Mr. Walsh		Mr. Wyden for himself; and Mr. Merkley	
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2013		A bill to provide for the addition of certain real property to the reservation of the Siletz Tribe in the State of Oregon.	
April 3, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester without amendment. Without written report.		February 28, 2013 Referred to Senate Committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs	
July 14, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-208. Additional views filed.			
S. 165	January 28, 2013	S. 416	February 28, 2013
Mr. Crapo for himself; and Mr. Risch		Mr. Merkley for himself; and Mr. Wyden	
Indian Trust Asset Reform Act		A bill to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act to make technical corrections, and for other purposes.	
January 28, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.		February 28, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.	
S. 235	February 7, 2013	S. 434	March 4, 2013
Ms. Murkowski for herself; and Mr. Begich		Mr. Baucus for himself; Mr. Tester and Mr. Walsh	
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act		Blackfeet Water Rights Settlement Act of 2013	
October 30, 2013 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.		May 8, 2013 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-113.	
Note: For further action, see H.R.623, which became Public Law 113-68 on 12/26/2013.			
S. 385	February 26, 2013	S. 477	March 6, 2013
Mr. Begich for himself; Mr. Baucus, Mr. Crapo, Ms. Murkowski, and Mr. Tester		Ms. Feinstein for herself; and Mr. Roberts	
A bill to deem the submission of certain claims to an Indian Health Service contracting officer as timely.		Tribal Gaming Eligibility Act	
February 26, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs		March 6, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.	

SENATE BILLS

S. 513

March 11, 2013

Mr. Inhofe for himself.

A bill to clarify the role of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma regarding the maintenance of the W.D. Mayo Lock and Dam in the State of Oklahoma.

March 11, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Note: For further action, see H.R.3080, which became Public Law 113-121 on 6/10/2014.

S. 611

March 19, 2013

Mr. Udall for himself; and Mr. Heinrich

Sandia Pueblo Settlement Technical Amendment Act

January 28, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Cantwell with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 113-136.

March 12, 2014 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

May 28, 2014 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.

June 3, 2014 Presented to President.

June 9, 2014 Signed by President.

June 9, 2014 Became Public Law No: 113-119

S. 640

March 21, 2014

Ms. Hirono for herself; and Mr. Schatz

Hawaiian Homeownership Opportunity Act of 2013

March 21, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 919

May 9, 2014

Ms. Cantwell for herself; Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Murray, Mr. Schatz, Mr. Tester, Mr. Udall, Mr. Walsh, Ms. Warren and Mr. Wyden

Department of the Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act of 2014

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

December 4, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-285.

S. 920

May 9, 2013

Mr. Franken for himself; and Ms. Klobuchar

Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Non-Intercourse Act of 2013

October 30, 2013 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

Note: For further action, see H.R.2650, which became Public Law 113-88 on 3/21/2014.

S. 1046

May 23, 2013

Mr. Schatz for himself; Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Begich, Ms. Heitkamp, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Inhofe, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, and Mr. Wyden

Native American Veterans' Memorial Amendments Act of 2013

May 23, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Note: For further action, see H.R.2319, which became Public Law 113-70 on 12/26/2013.

S. 1074

May 23, 2013

Mr. Kaine for himself; and Mr. Warner

Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2013

April 4, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester without amendment. Without written report.

July 14, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-209. Additional views filed.

S. 1131

June 11, 2013

Mr. Udall for himself; and Mr. Heinrich

Building upon Unique Indian Learning and Development Act

June 11, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 1132

June 11, 2013

Mr. Burr for himself; and Ms. Hagan

Lumbee Recognition Act

October 20, 2013 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-219.

SENATE BILLS

S. 1219

June 25, 2013

Ms. Boxer for herself; and Ms. Feinstein

Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement Act

April 3, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

July 22, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-215.

S. 1352

July 24, 2013

Ms. Cantwell for herself; Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Begich, Mr. Franken, Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Heitkamp, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Schatz, Mr. Tester, Mr. Udall, and Ms. Warren

Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2013

January 13, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Cantwell with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

March 13, 2014 Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs discharged pursuant to the order of 1/13/2014.

April 11, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-152.

S. 1374

July 25, 2013

Mr. Begich for himself.

Traditional Foods Nourishment Act of 2013

July 25, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 1394

July 30, 2013

Mr. Tester for himself.

Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Tribes of the Fort Belknap Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Act of 2013

July 30, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 1447

August 1, 2013

Mr. Udall for himself; and Mr. Heinrich.

New Mexico Navajo Water Settlement Technical Corrections Act

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment and an amendment to the title. With written report No. 113-246.

December 4, 2014 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent. December 9, 2014 Referred to House committee. Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

S. 1448

August 1, 2013

Ms. Cantwell for herself; Mr. Begich and Ms. Murray

Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation Equitable Compensation Act

June 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 113-202. June 26, 2014 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 448.

S. 1474

August 1, 2013

Mr. Begich for himself; and Ms. Murkowski

Alaska Safe Families and Villages Act of 2014

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

September 18, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-260.

December 9, 2014 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent.

December 11, 2014 Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.

December 15, 2014 Presented to President.

December 18, 2014 Signed by President.

December 18, 2014 Became Public Law No: 113-275

S. 1477

August 1, 2013

Mr. Moran for himself; Ms. Fischer and Mr. Thune

Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act of 2013

August 1, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

SENATE BILLS

S. 1570

October 10, 2013

Ms. Murkowski for herself; Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Heinrich, Mr. Schatz, Mr. Tester, and Mr. Udall.

Indian Health Service Advance Appropriations Act of 2013

April 2, 2014 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-324.

S. 1574

October 16, 2013

Ms. Murkowski for herself; and Mr. Begich.

Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Consolidation Act of 2014

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

August 26, 2014 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 535.

S. 1603

October 29, 2013

Ms. Stabenow for herself; and Mr. Levin.

Gun Lake Trust Land Reaffirmation Act

June 12, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester without amendment. Without written report.

June 17, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-194.

June 19, 2014 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

September 15, 2014 Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-590.

September 16, 2014 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 359-64 (Roll no. 503).

September 18, 2014 Presented to President.

September 26, 2014 Signed by President.

September 26, 2014 Became Public Law No: 113-179.

S. 1622

October 30, 2013

Ms. Heitkamp for herself; Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Blumenthal, Ms. Boxer, Ms. Cantwell, Ms. Collins, Mr. Crapo, Ms. Feinstein, Ms. Fischer, Mr. Franken, Ms. Gillibrand, Ms. Hagan, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Klobuchar, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Murray, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Schatz, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Udall, Mr. Udall, Mr. Walsh, Ms. Warren and Mr. Whitehouse.

Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

October 1, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 09/18/2014. Report No. 113-264. Additional views filed.

S. 1818

December 12, 2013

Mr. Reid for himself; and Mr. Heller

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe—Fish Springs Ranch Settlement Act

July 22, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester without amendment. Without written report.

July 28, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-220. For further action, see H.R.3716, which became Public Law 113-169 on 9/26/2014.

2nd Session

S. 1948

January 16, 2014

Mr. Tester for himself; Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Heitkamp, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Schatz, Mr. Udall, and Mr. Walsh.

Native Language Immersion Student Achievement Act

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

October 1, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 09/18/2014. Report No. 113-265.

SENATE BILLS

S. 1998

February 6, 2014

Ms. Hirono for herself; Mr. Begich, Mr. Heinrich, Mr. Moran, Mr. Schatz, and Mr. Walsh.

Native Adult Education and Literacy Act of 2014

December 6, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 2040

February 25, 2014

Mr. Crapo for himself; and Mr. Risch.

Blackfoot River Land Exchange Act of 2014

August 5, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester without amendment. With written report No. 113-242.

September 18, 2014 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

December 2, 2014 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 414-0 (Roll no. 534).

December 8, 2014 Presented to President.

December 16, 2014 Signed by President.

December 16, 2014 Became Public Law No: 113-232

S. 2041

February 25, 2014

Mr. Crapo for himself; and Mr. Risch.

May 31, 1918 Act Repeal Act

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with amendments. Without written report. November 13, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-271.

S. 2132

March 13, 2014

Mr. Barrasso for himself; Mr. Enzi, Ms. Fischer, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. McCain, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Udall, and Mr. Walsh.

Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments of 2014

July 30, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 113-224.

July 30, 2014 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 501.

S. 2160

March 26, 2014

Mr. Hoeven for himself; Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Begich, Ms. Heitkamp, and Mr. Tester.

Native American Children's Safety Act

April 2, 2014 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-324.

S. 2188

March 31, 2014

Mr. Tester for himself; Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Booker, Mr. Franken, Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Heitkamp, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murray, Mr. Schatz, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Udall, and Mr. Walsh.

A bill to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes.

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment. Without written report.

August 26, 2014 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 540.

S. 2299

May 7, 2014

Mr. Johnson for himself; Mr. Begich, Mr. Franken, Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Hirono, Mr. King, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Schatz, Mr. Tester, Mr. Udall, and Mr. Walsh. Native American Languages Reauthorization Act of 2014

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. Without written report.

October 1, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 09/18/2014. Report No. 113-266.

S. 2442

June 5, 2014

Mr. Walsh for himself; and Mr. Tester.

Northern Cheyenne Lands Act

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.

December 12, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-317.

SENATE BILLS

<p>S. 2458 June 10, 2014</p> <p>Mr. Walsh for himself; and Mr. Schumer</p> <p>American Indian Teacher Loan Forgiveness Act of 2014</p> <p>June 10, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.</p>	<p>S. 2503 June 19, 2014</p> <p>Mr. Flake for himself; and Mr. McCain.</p> <p>Bill Williams River Water Rights Settlement Act of 2014</p> <p>July 9, 2014 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-419.</p>
<p>S. 2465 June 11, 2014</p> <p>Mr. Udall for himself; and Mr. Heinrich</p> <p>Albuquerque Indian School Land Transfer Act</p> <p>August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with amendments. Without written report.</p> <p>October 1, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 09/18/2014. Report No. 113-267.</p>	<p>S. 2668 July 24, 2014</p> <p>Mr. Begich for himself.</p> <p>Self Determination Contract Reporting Commitment to Tribes Act</p> <p>July 24, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.</p>
<p>S. 2479 June 17, 2014</p> <p>Mr. Reid for himself.</p> <p>Moapa Band of Paiutes Land Conveyance Act</p> <p>August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.</p> <p>December 1, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-277.</p>	<p>S. 2670 July 28, 2014</p> <p>Mr. McCain for himself; and Mr. Flake.</p> <p>Keep the Promise Act of 2014</p> <p>September 17, 2014 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held.</p>
<p>S. 2480 June 17, 2014</p> <p>Mr. Reid for himself; and Mr. Heller.</p> <p>Nevada Native Nations Land Act</p> <p>August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.</p> <p>December 1, 2014 By Senator Tester from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 113-278.</p>	<p>S. 2713 July 30, 2014</p> <p>Ms. Murkowski for herself; and Mr. Begich.</p> <p>A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation located in Bethel, Alaska.</p> <p>July 30, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.</p>
	<p>S. 2847 September 17, 2014</p> <p>Ms. Boxer for herself.</p> <p>Economic Development Through Tribal Land Exchange Act</p> <p>September 17, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.</p>

S. 2923 **November 13, 2014**

Mr. Tester for himself.

Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas Equal and Fair Opportunity Settlement Act

November 13, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 2945 **November 19, 2014**

Ms. Murkowski for herself; and Mr. Begich.

A bill to repeal section 910 of the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013.

November 19, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 2960 **November 20, 2014**

Mr. Tester for himself; Mr. Franken, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Murkowski, and Mr. Udall.

A bill to provide for rental assistance for homeless or at-risk Indian veterans.

November 20, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

S. Res. 52

February 26, 2013

Ms. Cantwell for herself.

An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

February 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Cantwell. Without written report.
February 26, 2013 Referred to Senate committee: Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

S. Res. 239

September 18, 2013

Ms. Cantwell for herself.

An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

September 18, 2013 Committee on Indian Affairs. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Cantwell. Without written report.
September 18, 2013 Referred to Senate committee: Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 623

February 12, 2013

Mr. Young for himself.

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act

October 22, 2013 Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-248, Part I.

October 22, 2013 Committee on Energy and Commerce discharged.

October 29, 2013 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.

December 20, 2013 Senate Committee on Indian Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.

December 20, 2013 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

December 23, 2013 Presented to President.

December 26, 2013 Signed by President.

December 26, 2013 Became Public Law No: 113-68.

H.R. 841

February 26, 2013

Mr. Schrader for himself; Mr. Blumenauer, Ms. Bonamici, Mr. DeFazio, and Mr. Walden.

To amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act to make technical corrections, and for other purposes.

July 22, 2013 Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-168.

January 13, 2014 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.

January 14, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 1410

April 9, 2013

Mr. Trent for himself; Mr. Conyers, Mr. Gosar, Mr. Huffman, Mr. Kildee, Ms. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Pastor, Mr. Salmon, and Mr. Schweikert.

Keep the Promise Act of 2013

September 17, 2013 Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-210.

September 17, 2013 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill. Agreed to by voice vote.

September 18, 2013 Referred to Senate committee. Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 2388

June 14, 2013

Mr. McClintock for himself.

To take certain Federal lands located in El Dorado County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, and for other purposes.

September 10, 2013 Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-195.

December 3, 2013 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.

June 24, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester without amendment. With written report No. 113-197.

June 26, 2014 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

July 7, 2014 Presented to President.

July 16, 2014 Signed by President.

July 16, 2014 Became Public Law No: 113-127

H.R. 2650

July 10, 2013

Mr. Nolan for himself.

Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Non-Intercourse Act of 2013

September 10, 2013 Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources.
H. Rept. 113-194.

December 3, 2013 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.

March 13, 2014 Senate Committee on Indian Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.

March 13, 2014 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

March 18, 2014 Presented to President.

March 21, 2014 Signed by President.

March 21, 2014 Became Public Law No: 113-88.

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H.R. 4002

February 5, 2014

Mr. Mullin for himself; Mr. Cole and Mr. Young.

To revoke the charter of incorporation of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma at the request of that tribe, and for other purposes.

April 28, 2014 Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources.
H. Rept. 113-420.

June 23, 2014 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill. Agreed to by voice vote.

August 26, 2014 Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/05/2014 without amendment. Without written report.

August 26, 2014 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 546.

H.R. 4329

March 27, 2014

Mr. Pearce for himself; Mr. Amodei and Mr. Cole

Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2014

November 20, 2014 Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Financial Services. H. Rept. 113-628.

December 2, 2014 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.

December 3, 2014 Referred to Senate committee. Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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April 24, 2013

Oversight Hearing on “The President’s Fiscal Year 2014 Budget for Tribal Programs.”

May 15, 2013

Oversight Hearing “To Receive the Views and Priorities of Interior Secretary Jewell with Regard to Matters of Indian Affairs.”

June 12, 2013

Hearing on the Nomination of Yvette Roubideaux to be Director of the Indian Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (Reappointment)

November 14, 2013

Oversight Hearing on “Contract Support Costs and Sequestration: Fiscal Crisis in Indian Country.”

November 20, 2013

Oversight Hearing on “Carcieri: Bringing Certainty to Trust Land Acquisitions.”

December 11, 2013

Oversight Hearing on “Implementation of the Department of the Interior’s Land Buy-Back Program.”

December 11, 2013

Hearing on the President’s Nomination of Vincent G. Logan, to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior.

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Oversight Hearing on “The Indian Law and Order Commission Report: A Roadmap for Making Native America Safer.”

February 26, 2014

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November 12, 2014

Hearing on the President’s Nomination of Jonodev Osceola Chaudhuri to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission for the Term of Three Years

November 19, 2014

Oversight Hearing on “Protecting our Children’s Mental Health: Preventing and Addressing Childhood Trauma in Indian Country.”

HEARINGS

May 8, 2013

Legislative Hearing on S. 434, a bill to authorize and implement the water rights compact among the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation and the State of Montana, and for other purposes; and S. 611, a bill to make a technical amendment to the T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act, and for other purposes.

July 31, 2013

Legislative Hearing on S. 235, to provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium; S. 920, to allow the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa in the State of Minnesota to lease or transfer certain land; and S.1352, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2013.

September 10, 2013

Legislative Hearing on S. 1448, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, and for other purposes; S. 1219, to authorize the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement, and for other purposes; and S. 1447, to make technical corrections to certain Native American water rights settlements in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.

October 30, 2013

Legislative Hearing on S. 235, the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act; S. 611, the Sandia Pueblo Settlement Technical Amendment Act; and S. 920, the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Non-Intercourse Act of 2013, S. 1074, the Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2013; S. 1132, the Lumbee Recognition Act; and S. 161, the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2013.

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January 29, 2014

Legislative Hearing on S. 919 to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, and for other purposes.

April 2, 2014

Legislative Hearing on S. 1474, to encourage the State of Alaska to enter into intergovernmental agreements with Indian tribes in the State relating to the enforcement of certain State laws by Indian tribes, to improve the quality of life in rural Alaska, to reduce alcohol and drug abuse, and for other purposes; S. 1570, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to authorize advance appropriations for the Indian Health Service by providing 2-fiscal-year budget authority, and for other purposes; S. 1574, to amend the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 to facilitate the ability of Indian tribes to integrate the employment, training, and related services from diverse Federal sources, and for other purposes; S. 1622, to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children, and for other purposes; and S. 2160 The Native American Children's Safety Act.

April 30, 2014

Legislative Hearing on S. 2132, to amend the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2005, and for other purposes.

HEARINGS

May 7, 2014

Legislative Hearing on S. 1603, to reaffirm that certain land has been taken into trust for the benefit of the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatami Indians, and for other purposes; S. 1818, to ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and for other purposes; S. 2040, to exchange trust and fee land to resolve land disputes created by the realignment of the Blackfoot River along the boundary of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, and for other purposes; S. 2041, to repeal the Act of May 31, 1918, and for other purposes; and S. 2188, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes.

June 18, 2014

Legislative Hearing on S. 1948, A bill to promote the academic achievement of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children with the establishment of a Native American language grant program; and S. 2299, A bill to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages.

July 9, 2014

Legislative Hearing on S. 2442, A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain land and mineral rights on the reservation of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe of Montana and other culturally important land into trust for the benefit of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, and for other purposes; S. 2465, A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust 4 parcels of Federal land for the benefit of certain Indian Pueblos in the State of New Mexico; S. 2479, A bill to provide for a land conveyance in the State of Nevada; S. 2480, A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Elko County, Nevada, and to take land into trust for certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes; and S. 2503, A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into the Big Sandy River-Planet Ranch Water Rights Settlement Agreement and the Hualapai Tribe Bill Williams River Water Rights Settlement Agreement, to provide for the lease of certain land located within Planet Ranch on the Bill Williams River in the State of Arizona to benefit the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program, and to provide for the settlement of specific water rights claims in the Bill Williams River watershed in the State of Arizona.

September 17, 2014

Legislative Hearing on S. 2670, a bill to prohibit gaming activities on certain Indian land in Arizona until the expiration of certain gaming compacts.

BUSINESS SESSIONS

February 25, 2013

Business Meeting to consider:

- The selection of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee
- Adoption of the Rules of the Committee for the 113th Congress
- Adoption of the Funding Resolution for the Committee for the 113th Congress

September 18, 2013

Business Meeting to consider:

- Adoption of the Committee funding resolution from October 1, 2013 through February 28, 2015

October 30, 2013

Business Meeting to consider:

- S. 235, a bill to provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium;
- S. 611, a bill to make a technical amendment to the T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act, and for other purposes;
- S. 920, a bill to allow the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa in the State of Minnesota to lease or transfer certain land.

December 18, 2013

Business Meeting to consider:

- S. 1352, a bill to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, and for other purposes
- Nomination of Vincent G. Logan to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior.

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January 29, 2014

Business Meeting to consider:

- S. 1448, a bill to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, and for other purposes;
- Nomination of Vincent G. Logan to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior.

April 2, 2014

Business Meeting to consider:

- S. 161, a bill to extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, and for other purposes.
- S. 1074, a bill to extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe-Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe.
- S. 1219 a bill to authorize the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement, and for other purposes

May 21, 2014

Business Meeting to consider:

- S. 1474, a bill to encourage the State of Alaska to enter into intergovernmental agreements with Indian tribes in the State relating to the enforcement of certain State laws by Indian tribes, to improve the quality of life in rural Alaska, to reduce alcohol and drug abuse, and for other purposes
- S. 1603, a bill to reaffirm that certain land has been taken into trust for the benefit of the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatami Indians, and for other purposes
- S. 1622, a bill to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children, and for other purposes
- S. 1818, to ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and for other purposes
- S. 2040, a bill to exchange trust and fee land to resolve land disputes created by the realignment of the Blackfoot River along the boundary of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, and for other purposes
- S. 2132, a bill to amend the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2005, and for other purposes
- H.R. 2388, a bill to take certain Federal lands located in El Dorado County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, and for other purposes.

June 11, 2014

Business Meeting to consider:

- S. 919, a bill to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, and for other purposes.
- S. 1447, a bill to make technical corrections to certain Native American water rights settlements in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.

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- S. 2041, a bill to repeal the Act of May 31, 1918, and for other purposes.
- S. 2188, a bill to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes.

July 30, 2014

Business Meeting to consider:

- S. 1948, a bill to promote the academic achievement of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children with the establishment of a Native American language grant program.
- S. 2299, a bill to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages.
- S. 2442, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain land and mineral rights on the reservation of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe of Montana and other culturally important land into trust for the benefit of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, and for other purposes.
- S. 2465, a bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust 4 parcels of Federal land for the benefit of certain Indian Pueblos in the State of New Mexico.
- S. 2479, a bill to provide for a land conveyance in the State of Nevada.
- S. 2480, a bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Elko County, Nevada, and to take land into trust for certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 4002, to revoke the charter of incorporation of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma at the request of that tribe, and for other purposes.

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- S. Hrg. 113-5—Identifying Barriers to Indian Housing Development and Finding Solutions, April 10, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-7—The President’s Fiscal Year 2014 for Tribal Programs, April 24, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-113—S. 434, The Blackfeet Water Right Settlement Act of 2013 and S. 611, The Sandia Pueblo Settlement Technical Amendment Act, May 8, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-92—Receiving the Views and Priorities of Interior Secretary Sally Jewell with Regards to Matter of Indian Affairs, May 15, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-94—Nomination of Yvette Roubideaux to be Director of Indian Health Service, June 12, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-126—S. 235, The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act; S. 920, The Fond Du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Non-Intercourse Act of 2013; and S. 1352, The Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2013, July 31, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-143—S.1448, The Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation Equitable Compensation Act; S. 1219, The Pechanga Band Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement Act; and S. 1447, A Bill to Make Technical Corrections to the Native American Water Rights Settlements of the State of New Mexico, September 10, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-219—S. 1074, The Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2013; S. 1132, The Lumbee Recognition Act; and S. 161, The Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2013, October 30, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-353—Contract Support Costs and Sequestration: Fiscal Crisis in Indian Country, November 14, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-214—Carcieri: Bringing Certainty to Trust Land Acquisitions, November 20, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-213—Nomination of Vincent G. Logan to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior, December 11, 2013
- S. Hrg. 113-354—Implementation of the Department of the Interior’s Land Buy-Back Program, December 11, 2013
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- S. Hrg. 113-406—Tribal Transportation: Pathways to Infrastructure and Economic Development in Indian Country, March 13, 2014
- S. Hrg. 113-327—The President’s Fiscal Year 2015 Budget for Tribal Programs, March 26, 2014
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- S. Hrg. 113-383—Indian Education Series: Indian Students in Public Schools: Cultivating the Next Generation, April 9, 2014
- S. Hrg. 113-338—S. 2132, Indian Tribal Energy and Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments of 2014, April 30, 2014
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- S. Hrg. 113-416—The Indian Health Service: Ensuring the IHS is Living Up to Its Trust Responsibility, May 27, 2014
- S. Hrg. 113-486—Indian Education Series: Examining Higher Education for American Indian Students, June 11, 2014
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- S. Hrg. 113-419—S. 2442, S. 2465, S. 2479, S. 2480, and S. 2503, July 9, 2014
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- S. Hrg. 113-502—Indian Gaming: The Next 25 Years, July 23, 2014
- S. Hrg. 113-522—When Catastrophe Strikes: Responses to Natural Disasters in Indian Country, July 30, 2014

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- S. Hrg. 113-299—S.919, The Department of Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act of 2013, January 29, 2014

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- S. Hrg. 113-505—Irrigation Projects in Indian Country, September 10, 2014
- S. Hrg. 113-521—Nomination of Jonodev Osceola Chaudhuri to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, November 12, 2014
- S. Hrg. 113-527—Protecting Our Children’s Mental Health: Preventing and Addressing Childhood Trauma in Indian Country, November 19, 2014

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EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

EC-629 March 07, 2013

A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residential, Business, and Wind and Solar Resource Leases on Indian Land; Correction" (RIN1076-AE73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-630 March 07, 2013

A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Courts of Indian Offenses" (RIN1076-AF16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-877 March 21, 2013

A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "2011 Impact and Effectiveness of Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Projects: Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1115 April 11, 2013

A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Final Sequestration Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

EC-1119 April 11, 2013

A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residential, Business, and Wind and Solar Resource Leases on Indian Land" (RIN1076-AE73) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1120 April 11, 2013

A communication from the Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the notification of eligible members for per capita payments in the subject judgment funds; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1121 April 11, 2013

A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to restoring certain funds to the Delaware Tribe of Indians; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1525 May 15, 2013

A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residential, Business, and Wind and Solar Resource Leases on Indian Land" (RIN1076-AE73) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1526 May 15, 2013

A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Report to Congress on the Social and Economic Conditions of Native Americans: Fiscal Years 2007 and 2008"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1891 June 11, 2013

A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2012 Report to Congress on Funding Needs For Contract Support Costs of Self-Determination Awards"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1892 June 11, 2013

A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2011 Report to Congress on Funding Needs For Contract Support Cost of Self-Determination Awards" corrected version; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, NOMINATIONS AND PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

EC-1979

June 18, 2013

A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acquisition Regulations; Buy Indian Act; Procedures for Contracting" (RIN1090-AB03) received on June 13, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-2369

July 23, 2013

A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior (Indian Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2012 Report to Congress Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 450j-1(c) on the Funding Requirements for Contract Support Costs"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-2918

September 18, 2013

A communication from the Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations: Income Deductions and Resource Eligibility" (RIN0584-AE05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3863

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Background Investigations and Licensing" (RIN3141-AA15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3864

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Background Investigations and Licensing" (RIN3141-A15A) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3865

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Compliance and Enforcement" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3866

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeal Proceedings Before the Commission" (RIN3141-AA47) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3867

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minimum Technical Standards for Class II Gaming Systems and Equipment" (RIN3141-AA27) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3868

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Self-Regulation of Class II Gaming" (RIN3141-AA44) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3869

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fees" (RIN3141-AA40) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3870

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minimum Internal Control Standards" (RIN3141-AA27) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3871

December 16, 2013

A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Land Acquisitions: Appeals of Land Acquisition Decisions" (RIN1076-AF15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2013; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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EC-4703

February 12, 2014

A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "2012 Impact and Effectiveness of Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Projects: Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5066

March 31, 2014

A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conforming Amendment to the Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program Regulations" (RIN2577-AC91) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2014; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5409**April 29, 2014**

A communication from the Human Resources Specialist, Office of the Executive Director, Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's annual report on the category rating system; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5696**May 12, 2014**

A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indian Child Welfare Act; Change of Address" (RIN1076-AF21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 7, 2014; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6187**June 19, 2014**

A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Consolidated Report to Congress on the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund for Fiscal Years 2005 through 2013"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6935**September 15, 2014**

A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Sequestration Update Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Special Committee on Aging; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Select Committee on Ethics; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

PETITIONS**POM-11****May 07, 2013**

A joint memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of New Mexico requesting Congress to continue funding its appropriate share of the costs associated with the benefits received by Indian tribes and the United States, as trustee, from settling Indian water rights disputes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

POM-18**May 07, 2013**

A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Legislature of the Northern Marianas Commonwealth requesting the United States Congress to officially acknowledge the Chamorro and Carolinian people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands as Native Americans and to include the Chamorro and Carolinian people in definitions set forth under 25 U.S.C. Chapter 14, Subchapter II, Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance, Section 450(b)(e); to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

POM-106**July 31, 2013**

A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii commemorating the twentieth anniversary of Public Law 103-150; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

NOMINATIONS**PN-175****February 27, 2013**

Nominee: Vincent G. Logan, of New York, to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior, vice Ross Owen Swimmer, resigned. Received: February 27, 2013 Referred: Senate Indian Affairs Latest Action: January 03, 2014—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

PN-340**April 23, 2013**

Nominee: Yvette Roubideaux, of Maryland, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, for the term of four years. (Reappointment) Received: April 23, 2013 Referred: Senate Indian Affairs Latest Action: January 03, 2014—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

2nd Session**PN-1176****January 6, 2014**

Nominee: Yvette Roubideaux, of Maryland, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, for the term of four years. (Reappointment) Received: January 06, 2014 Referred: Senate Indian Affairs Latest Action: January 06, 2014—Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

PN-1177**January 6, 2014**

Nominee: Vincent G. Logan, of New York, to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior, vice Ross Owen Swimmer, resigned. Received: January 06, 2014 Referred: Senate Indian Affairs Latest Action: June 26, 2014—Confirmed by the Senate by Voice Vote.

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Nominee: Jonodev Osceola Chaudhuri, of Arizona, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission for the term of three years, vice Tracie Stevens. Received: July 22, 2014 Referred: Senate Indian Affairs Latest Action: July 22, 2014—Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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JURISDICTION AND RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Adopted in a Committee Business Meeting, February 25, 2013

JURISDICTION—113th Congress

[Extracted from Senate Document 106-6, Authority and Rules of Senate Committees, 1999-2000]

The Committee was initially established as the Select Committee on Indian Affairs. Section 25 of S. Res. 71, 103rd Congress, 1st Session, redesignates it as the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. Res. 4, Sec. 105, 95th Congress, 1st Session (1977), as amended by S. Res. 127, 98th Congress, 2nd Session (1984).

Bracketed terms reflect changes in the Committee's Membership for the 103rd Congress made by S. Res. 18, 103rd Congress, 1st Session (1993), which amended paragraph 3(c) of Senate Rule XXV, and the renumbering of paragraphs in Senate Rule XXV effected by S. Res. 274, 96th Congress, 1st Session (1979).

(a)(1) There is established a Select Committee on Indian Affairs (hereafter in this section referred to as the "select committee") which shall consist of [eighteen] Members, [ten] to be appointed by the President of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the majority leader, from among Members of the majority party and [eight] to be appointed by the President of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the minority leader, from among the Members of the minority party. The select committee shall select a Chairman from among its Members.

(2) A majority of the Members of the committee shall constitute a quorum thereof for the transaction of business, except that the select committee may fix a lesser number as a quorum for the purpose of taking testimony. The select committee shall adopt rules of procedure not inconsistent with this section and the rules of the Senate governing standing committees of the Senate.

(3) Vacancies in the Membership of the select committee shall not affect the authority of the remaining Members to execute the functions of the select committee.

(4) For purposes of [paragraph 4] of rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, service of a Senator as a Member or Chairman of the select committee shall not be taken into account.

(b)(1) All proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to Indian affairs shall be referred to the select committee.

(2) It shall be the duty of the select committee to conduct a study of any and all matters pertaining to problems and opportunities of Indians, including but not limited to, Indian land management and trust responsibilities, Indian education, health, special services, and loan programs, and Indian claims against the United States.

(3) The select committee shall from time to time report to the Senate, by bill or otherwise, its recommendations with respect to matters referred to the select committee or otherwise within its jurisdiction.

(c)(1) For the purposes of this section, the select committee is authorized, in its discretion,

- (A) to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction,
- (B) to make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate,
- (C) to employ personnel,

(D) to hold hearings,

(E) to sit and act at any time or place during the sessions, recesses, and adjourned periods of the Senate,

(F) to require, by subpoena or otherwise, the attendance of witnesses and the production of correspondence, books, papers, and documents,

(G) to take depositions and other testimony,

(H) to procure the services of individual consultants or organizations thereof, in accordance with the provisions of section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, and

(I) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

(2) The Chairman of the select committee or any Member thereof may administer oaths to witnesses.

(3) Subpoenas authorized by the select committee may be issued over the signature of the Chairman, or any Member of the select committee designated by the Chairman, and may be served by any person designated by the Chairman or the Member signing the subpoena.

RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Adopted in a Committee Business Meeting, February 25, 2013

Senate Standing Rule XXVI requires each committee to adopt rules to govern the procedures of the committee and to publish those rules in the Congressional Record not later than March 1 of the first year of each Congress. On February 25, 2013, the Committee on Indian Affairs held a business meeting during which the Members of the committee unanimously adopted rules to govern the procedures of the committee. The rules were printed in the Congressional Record on February 25, 2013. The rules, as adopted, are below:

COMMITTEE RULES OF PROCEDURE—113th CONGRESS

Rule 1. The Standing Rules of the Senate, Senate Resolution 4, and the provisions of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended by the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970, as supplemented by these rules, are adopted as the rules of the Committee to the extent the provisions of such Rules, Resolution, and Acts are applicable to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

Rule 2. The Committee shall meet on Wednesday/Thursday while the Congress is in session for the purpose of conducting business, unless for the convenience of the Members, the Chairman shall set some other day for a meeting. Additional meetings may be called by the Chairman as he may deem necessary.

OPEN HEARINGS AND MEETINGS

Rule 3(a). Hearings and business meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public except when the Chairman by a majority vote orders a closed hearing or meeting.(b). Except as otherwise provided in the Rules of the Senate, a transcript or electronic recording shall be kept of each hearing and business meeting of the Committee.

HEARING PROCEDURE

Rule 4(a). Public notice, including notice to Members of the Committee, shall be given of the date, place and subject matter of any hearing to be held by the Committee at least one week in advance of such hearing unless the Chairman of the Committee, with the concurrence of the Vice Chairman, determines that holding the hearing would be non-controversial or that special circumstances require expedited procedures and a majority of the Committee Members attending concurs. In no case shall a hearing be conducted with less than 24 hours' notice.

(b). Each witness who is to appear before the Committee shall submit his or her testimony by way of electronic mail, at least 48 hours in advance of a hearing, in a format determined by the Committee and sent to an electronic mail address specified by the Committee.

(c). Each Member shall be limited to five (5) minutes of questioning of any witness until such time as all Members attending who so desire have had an opportunity to question the witness unless the Committee shall decide otherwise.

BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

Rule 5(a). A legislative measure or subject shall be included in the agenda of the next following business meeting of the Committee if a written request by a Member for consideration of such measure or subject has been filed with the Chairman of the Committee at least one week prior to such meeting. Nothing in this rule shall be construed to limit the authority of the Chairman of the Committee to include legislative measures or subjects on the Committee agenda in the absence of such request.

(b). Any bill, resolution, or other matter to be considered by the Committee at a business meeting shall be filed with the Clerk of the Committee. Notice of, and the agenda for, any business meeting of the Committee, and a copy of any bill, resolution, or other matter to be considered at the meeting, shall be provided to each Member and made available to the public at least three days prior to such meeting, and no new items may be added after the agenda is published except by the approval of a majority of the Members of the Committee. The notice and agenda of any business meeting may be provided to the Members by electronic mail, provided that a paper copy will be provided to any Member upon request. The Clerk shall promptly notify absent Members of any action taken by the Committee on matters not included in the published agenda.

(c). Any amendment(s) to any bill or resolution to be considered shall be filed with the Clerk not less than 24 hours in advance. This rule may be waived by the Chairman with the concurrence of the Vice Chairman.

QUORUM

Rule 6(a). Except as provided in subsection (b), a majority of the Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the Committee. Except as provided in Senate Rule XXVI 7(a), a quorum is presumed to be present unless the absence of a quorum is noted by a Member.

(b). One Member shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting a hearing or taking testimony on any measure or matter before the Committee.

VOTING

Rule 7(a). A recorded vote of the Members shall be taken upon the request of any Member.

(b). A measure may be reported without a recorded vote from the Committee unless an objection is made by a Member, in which case a recorded vote by the Members shall be required. A Member shall have the right to have his or her additional views included in the Committee report in accordance with Senate Rule XXVI 10.

(c). A Committee vote to report a measure to the Senate shall also authorize the staff of the Committee to make necessary technical and conforming changes to the measure.

(d). Proxy voting shall be permitted on all matters, except that proxies may not be counted for the purpose of determining the presence of a quorum. Unless further limited, a proxy shall be exercised only for the date for which it is given and upon the terms published in the agenda for that date.

SWORN TESTIMONY AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Rule 8(a). Witnesses in Committee hearings may be required to give testimony under oath whenever the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Committee deems it to be necessary.

(b). At any hearing to confirm a Presidential nomination, the testimony of the nominee, and at the request of any Member, any other witness shall be under oath. Every nominee shall submit a financial statement, on forms to be perfected by the Committee, which shall be sworn to by the nominee as to its completeness and accuracy. All such statements shall be made public by the Committee unless the Committee, in executive session, determines that special circumstances require a full or partial exception to this rule.

(c). Members of the Committee are urged to make public a complete disclosure of their financial interests on forms to be perfected by the Committee in the manner required in the case of Presidential nominees.

CONFIDENTIAL TESTIMONY

Rule 9. No confidential testimony taken by, or confidential material presented to the Committee or any report of the proceedings of a closed Committee hearing or business meeting shall be made public in whole or in part, or by way of summary, unless authorized by a majority of the Members of the Committee at a business meeting called for the purpose of making such a determination.

DEFAMATORY STATEMENTS

Rule 10. Any person whose name is mentioned or who is specifically identified in, or who believes that testimony or other evidence presented at, an open Committee hearing tends to defame him or her or otherwise adversely affect his or her reputation may file with the Committee for its consideration and action a sworn statement of facts relevant to such testimony of evidence.

BROADCASTING OF HEARINGS OR MEETINGS

Rule 11. Any meeting or hearing by the Committee which is open to the public may be covered in whole or in part by television, Internet, radio broadcast, or still photography. Photographers and re-

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porters using mechanical recording, filming, or broadcasting devices shall position their equipment so as not to interfere with the sight, vision, and hearing of Members and staff on the dais or with the orderly process of the meeting or hearing.

AUTHORIZING SUBPOENAS

Rule 12. The Chairman may, with the agreement of the Vice Chairman, or the Committee may, by majority vote, authorize the issuance of subpoenas.

AMENDING THE RULES

Rule 13. These rules may be amended only by a vote of a majority of all the Members of the Committee in a business meeting of the Committee: Provided, that no vote may be taken on any proposed amendment unless such amendment is reproduced in full in the Committee agenda for such meeting at least seven (7) days in advance of such meeting.

