

## Calendar No. 574

115TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION**H. R. 3764**

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

Received; read twice and placed on the calendar

**AN ACT**

To extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, and for other purposes.

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 “Little Shell Tribe of  
5       Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2018”.

6       **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7       In this Act:

8               (1) MEMBER.—The term “member” means an  
9       individual who is enrolled in the Tribe pursuant to  
10      section 6.

1           (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
2       the Secretary of the Interior.

3           (3) TRIBE.—The term “Tribe” means the Lit-  
4       tle Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana.

5   **SEC. 3. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.**

6       (a) IN GENERAL.—Federal recognition is extended to  
7       the Tribe.

8       (b) EFFECT OF FEDERAL LAWS.—Except as other-  
9       wise provided in this Act, all Federal laws (including regu-  
10      lations) of general application to Indians and Indian  
11      tribes, including the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C.  
12      5101 et seq.) (commonly known as the “Indian Reorga-  
13      nization Act”), shall apply to the Tribe and members.

14   **SEC. 4. FEDERAL SERVICES AND BENEFITS.**

15      (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date of enact-  
16      ment of this Act, the Tribe and each member shall be eligi-  
17      ble for all services and benefits provided by the United  
18      States to Indians and federally recognized Indian tribes,  
19      without regard to—

20           (1) the existence of a reservation for the Tribe;  
21      or

22           (2) the location of the residence of any member  
23      on or near an Indian reservation.

24      (b) SERVICE AREA.—For purposes of the delivery of  
25      services and benefits to members, the service area of the

1 Tribe shall be considered to be the area comprised of  
2 Blaine, Cascade, Glacier, and Hill Counties in the State  
3 of Montana.

4 **SEC. 5. REAFFIRMATION OF RIGHTS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act diminishes  
6 any right or privilege of the Tribe or any member that  
7 existed before the date of enactment of this Act.

8 (b) CLAIMS OF TRIBE.—Except as otherwise pro-  
9 vided in this Act, nothing in this Act alters or affects any  
10 legal or equitable claim of the Tribe to enforce any right  
11 or privilege reserved by, or granted to, the Tribe that was  
12 wrongfully denied to, or taken from, the Tribe before the  
13 date of enactment of this Act.

14 **SEC. 6. MEMBERSHIP ROLL.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—As a condition of receiving rec-  
16 ognition, services, and benefits pursuant to this Act, the  
17 Tribe shall submit to the Secretary, by not later than 18  
18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, a member-  
19 ship roll consisting of the name of each individual enrolled  
20 as a member of the Tribe.

21 (b) DETERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP.—The quali-  
22 fications for inclusion on the membership roll of the Tribe  
23 shall be determined in accordance with sections 1 through  
24 3 of article 5 of the constitution of the Tribe dated Sep-

1   tember 10, 1977 (including amendments to the constitu-  
2   tion).

3           (c) MAINTENANCE OF ROLL.—The Tribe shall main-  
4   tain the membership roll under this section.

5   **SEC. 7. ACQUISITION OF LAND.**

6           (a) HOMELAND.—The Secretary shall acquire, for the  
7   benefit of the Tribe, trust title to 200 acres of land within  
8   the service area of the Tribe to be used for a tribal land  
9   base.

10          (b) ADDITIONAL LAND.—The Secretary may acquire  
11   additional land for the benefit of the Tribe pursuant to  
12   section 5 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5108)  
13   (commonly known as the “Indian Reorganization Act”).

        Passed the House of Representatives September 12,  
2018.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk.*



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