

HR 5163

Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2002

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power. (Jul 24, 2002)

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 24, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 S 2743	Identical bill	Oct 8, 2002: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 638.

Summary (as of Jul 18, 2002)

Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2002 - Ratifies the Settlement Agreement concerning Zuni Indian Tribe water rights claims in the Little Colorado River basin, Arizona.

Includes the provision of assistance for acquiring surface water rights, the use of groundwater, and wetland restoration. Names the Tribe, the State of Arizona and specified state agencies, specified neighboring non-Indian communities, and specified water and power companies as parties to the agreement.

Directs the Secretary of the Interior to execute the Settlement Agreement and subsequent, mutually agreed upon amendments.

Establishes and authorizes appropriations to the Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Development Fund to be allocated among specified activities, including the acquisition of water rights and restoration at the Zuni Heaven Reservation. Includes funds paid to the Tribe as required by the Settlement Agreement. Conditions Zuni expenditures from such Fund upon the approval of a tribal management plan and an expenditure plan.

Directs the Secretary to take title to specified lands in trust for the benefit of the Tribe, including lands to become part of the Reservation. Sets forth the status of such lands with regard to Federal and State water rights and ad valorem taxes.

Extinguishes all claims for water rights in Zuni lands.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 24, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
- **Jul 18, 2002:** Introduced in House
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- **Jul 18, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.