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Native American Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2003

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Native Americans **Introduced:** Mar 5, 2003

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favorably. (Apr 10, 2003)

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Native Americans

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 5, 2003)

Native American Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2003 - Amends the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to require the Secretary of Energy (Secretary) establish an Indian Energy Resource Development Program to revise the program of grants and low-interest loans to Indian tribes and tribal consortia to develop the managerial and technical capacity to develop energy resource on Indian lands and promote the vertical integration of such resources.

Repeals the Indian tribes energy assistance demonstration program.

Authorizes Indians or Indian tribes to enter into leases or business agreements for the purpose of energy development.

Authorizes Indian tribes to grant rights-of-way over tribal land for pipelines or electric transmission or distribution lines without specific approval by the Secretary under specified conditions.

Specifies that Federal employees on the Indian Energy Resource Commission are to serve the Commission without additional compensation.

Authorizes the Chairperson of the Commission to: (1) appoint and terminate an executive director and other personnel as necessary; and (2) set compensation for such personnel within specified limitations. (Currently, the Commission appoints the executive director, who appoints other personnel; and compensation is specified according to the Federal Executive Schedule.)

Revises specified detail requirements for Federal employees on the Commission.

Requires the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in cooperation with Indian tribes or tribally-designated housing entities of Indian tribes, to provide to eligible nonprofit and community organizations, technical assistance to initiate and expand the use of energy saving technologies in housing construction and rehabilitation.

Directs the Secretary of the Interior to review and report to the Secretary (who shall report to specified congressional committees) on all activities being conducted under the Indian Mineral Development Act of 1982.

Directs the Secretary to report to specified congressional committees on energy development potential on Indian land.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 10, 2003: Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Mar 19, 2003: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 108-61.
- Mar 5, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Mar 5, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3172)
- Mar 5, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3172-3175)