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Native American Languages Act Amendments Act of 2003

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]

Party: Democratic • State: HI • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 17, 2003
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		May 12, 2003
Sen. Campbell, Ben Nighthorse [R-CO]	R · CO		May 13, 2003
Sen. Daschle, Thomas A. [D-SD]	D · SD		May 23, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	May 15, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 2362	Identical bill	Jun 30, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.

Native American Languages Act Amendments Act of 2003 - Amends the Native American Languages Act to authorize the Secretary of Education to provide funds to Native American Language Educational Organizations (Organizations), Native American Language Colleges, Indian tribal governments, organizations that demonstrate potential to become Organizations, or a consortia of such organizations, colleges, or tribal governments to establish Native American Language Nest programs (site-based education programs conducted through a Native American language) for students below the age of seven and their families.

Authorizes the Secretary to make grants to or enter into contracts with such Organizations, colleges, or governments to operate, expand, and increase Native American Language Survival Schools throughout the United States and its territories for Native American children and Native American language-speaking children.

Requires the Secretary to make grants or enter into contracts to establish three specified demonstration programs that will provide assistance to Schools and Nests at: (1) Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikolani College of the University of Hawaii at Hilo, in consortium with the 'Aha Punana Leo, Inc., and with other entities if deemed appropriate by such college; (2) Piegan Institute of Browning, Montana; and (3) the Alaska Native Language Center of the University of Alaska at Fairbanks, in consortium with other entities deemed appropriate by such center. Authorizes such programs to: (1) establish endowments for furthering their activities relative to the study and preservation of Native American languages; and (2) use funds to provide for the rental, purchase, construction, maintenance, and repair of facilities.

Actions Timeline

- **May 15, 2003:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 108-107.
- **Mar 7, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 7, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3371)
- **Mar 7, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.