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S 3526

Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2006

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Native Americans **Introduced:** Jun 15, 2006

Current Status: Executive Comment Requested from Interior.

Latest Action: Executive Comment Requested from Interior. (Nov 15, 2006) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/3526

Sponsor

Name: Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]

Party: Republican • State: AZ • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 26, 2006
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 13, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2006 - Amends the Indian Land Consolidation Act (ILCA) to revise the meaning of land and improvements to specify that the term "permament improvement" to land subject to probate means only a decedent's interest in any improvement permanently affixed to a parcel of trust or restricted lands that was owned in whole or in part by the decedent immediately before his or her death.

Revises requirements for the purchase option at probate. Requires the Secretary, in the case of multiple requests to purchase an interest in a decedent's land, to sell the interest to the eligible purchaser selected by the applicable heir, devisee, or surviving spouse. Repeals the requirement for sale of such an interest by public auction or sealed bid.

Applies only to wills executed after July 20, 2007, the presumption of joint tenancy in the devise of trust or restricted interests in the same parcel of land to more than one person.

Provides that the threshold for an involuntary purchase at probate (5% of the entire undivided ownership of a parcel of land) refers to the interest of the decedent in the parcel at the time of death, rather than the interest passing to the heir. States that the only eligible purchasers of an interest in an involuntary sale at probate are: (1) the Secretary under the fractional interest acquisition program; or (2) the Indian tribe, where the interest would otherwise be inherited by a nonmember. Applies these new requirements only to interests in the estates of decedents who die after July 20, 2007. Authorizes the Secretary to postpone such application date for an additional year.

Actions Timeline

- Nov 15, 2006: Executive Comment Requested from Interior.
- Nov 13, 2006: Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- Nov 9, 2006: Received in the House.
- Nov 9, 2006: Held at the desk.
- Oct 2, 2006: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Sep 30, 2006: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR 9/29/2006 S10803-10804)
- Sep 30, 2006: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR 9/29/2006 S10803-10804)
- Sep 30, 2006: Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR 9/29/2006 S10803-10804)
- Jul 26, 2006: Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator McCain without amendment. With written report No. 109-294.
- Jul 26, 2006: Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator McCain without amendment. With written report No. 109-294.
- Jul 26, 2006: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 536.
- Jun 22, 2006: Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- Jun 15, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 15, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5963-5964)
- Jun 15, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5964)