

HR 6043

To amend the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act so that it will be interpreted in accordance with the original intent of Congress to require a significant relationship be found between remains discovered on federal lands and presently existing Native American tribes for those remains to be applicable under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 7, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Native Americans

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 7, 2006)

Amends the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act to redefine Native American to mean cultural items that have a significant and substantial genetic or cultural relationship, based on factors other than geography alone, to a presently existing tribe, people, or culture that is now indigenous to the United States.

Declares that nothing in such Act shall be deemed to restrict excavation, examination, investigation, or scientific study under the Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 of any cultural item found on federal land that has not been determined to be the property of an Indian or a Native Hawaiian organization.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 18, 2006:** Executive Comment Requested from Interior.
- **Sep 7, 2006:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 7, 2006:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.

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