

## S 2114

A bill to correct inconsistencies in the definitions relating to Native Americans in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Oct 1, 2015)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Oct 1, 2015
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Oct 1, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 1, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 5475	Related bill	<b>Sep 19, 2016:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

This bill amends title I (Quality, Affordable Health Care for All Americans) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to add a definition of “Indian.” This definition includes individuals of Indian descent who are members of an Indian community served by the Indian Health Service and individuals considered by the Department of Health and Human Services to be Indian for purposes of eligibility for Indian health care services, including California Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or other Alaska Natives.

Individuals included in the above definition are eligible for special monthly enrollment periods on health insurance exchanges and elimination of cost-sharing under individual health coverage for those whose income is not more than 300% of the poverty line. (Currently, only members of Indian tribes are eligible for these benefits.)

Indians are exempted from the penalty for not maintaining minimum essential health coverage.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Oct 1, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
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