

HR 249

To amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 2, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Native Americans

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 9, 2015)

Amends the Indian Reorganization Act to make it applicable to all federally recognized Indian tribes, regardless of when any tribe became recognized. (This effectively overrules the Supreme Court's decision in *Carcieri v. Salazar*, which held that the Secretary of the Interior could not take land into trust for a specified tribe because that tribe had not been under federal jurisdiction when the Act was enacted.)

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 2, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs.
- **Jan 9, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 9, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.