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### Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

**Introduced:** Jan 6, 2015

**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 219.

**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 219. (Sep 10, 2015)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/35>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MT • **Chamber:** Senate

## Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Jan 6, 2015

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 10, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Native Americans

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 3764	Related bill	Dec 7, 2016: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 663.
114 HR 286	Identical bill	Sep 29, 2015: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

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(Sec. 4) Extends federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana.

(Sec. 5) Makes the Tribe and each member eligible for all services and benefits provided by the United States to Indians and federally recognized Indian tribes, without regard to the existence of a reservation for the Tribe or the location of the residence of any member on or near an Indian reservation. Considers the federal service area of the Tribe to be the area comprised of Blaine, Cascade, Glacier, and Hill Counties, Montana.

(Sec. 7) Directs the Tribe, as a condition of receiving recognition, services, and benefits pursuant to this Act, to submit to the Department of the Interior a membership roll consisting of the name of each individual enrolled as a member of the Tribe. Requires the Tribe to maintain such membership roll.

(Sec. 8) Directs Interior to acquire, for the benefit of the Tribe, trust title to 200 acres of land within the Tribe's service area to be used for a tribal land base. Allows Interior to acquire additional land for the benefit of the Tribe.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 10, 2015:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Barrasso without amendment. With written report No. 114-139. Additional views filed.
- **Sep 10, 2015:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 219.
- **Mar 18, 2015:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 6, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 6, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.