

HR 131

To reaffirm the trust status of land taken into trust by the United States pursuant to the Act of June 18, 1934, for the benefit of an Indian tribe that was federally recognized on the date that the land was taken into trust, and for other purposes.

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

Introduced: Jan 3, 2017

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs. (Feb 10, 2017)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]

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

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Jan 30, 2017
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Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Mar 5, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 10, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Native Americans

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 3, 2017)

This bill reaffirms the trust status of land taken into trust by the United States pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act before the enactment of this bill for the benefit of an Indian tribe that was federally recognized when the land was taken into trust. Department of the Interior actions to take land into trust under the Indian Reorganization Act are ratified and confirmed as if the actions were taken under a law specifically authorizing or directing them.

The bill applies to all claims pending on, or filed on or after, the bill's enactment.

Land taken into trust that has been ratified and confirmed pursuant to this bill must remain Indian country.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 10, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs.
- **Jan 3, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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