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Native American Voting Rights Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

**Introduced:** Oct 3, 2018

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Oct 3, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/3543>

Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]

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

Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 3, 2018
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Dec 3, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 3, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Native Americans

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
<a href="#">115 HR 7127</a>	Identical bill	<b>Nov 14, 2018:</b> Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

## Summary (as of Oct 3, 2018)

### Native American Voting Rights Act of 2018

This bill updates the voting rights of Native American and Alaska Native voters. These updates include, but are not limited to:

- expanding the types of facilities that can be used as voter registration agencies,
- increasing polling site accessibility,
- providing enforcement power to citizens and attorneys general,
- requiring approval for actions like moving a polling place,
- validating certain tribal identification for voting or registering, and
- expanding requirements for bilingual voting accessibility.

The bill establishes a Native American voting task force grant program for the purpose of increasing voter outreach, education, registration, turnout, and accessibility for Native American communities.

## Actions Timeline

- **Oct 3, 2018:** Introduced in Senate
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