

## S 257

Tribal HUD–VASH Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

**Introduced:** Jan 29, 2019

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services. (Jun 28, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/257>

### Sponsor

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

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

### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Jan 29, 2019
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Jan 29, 2019
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 29, 2019
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 5, 2019
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Feb 5, 2019
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 7, 2019
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Feb 12, 2019
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		May 9, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 28, 2019
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Mar 28, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Native Americans

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 4090	Related bill	Jun 25, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
116 HR 5319	Related bill	Dec 5, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.
116 HR 2999	Identical bill	May 23, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

## **Tribal HUD-VASH Act of 2019**

This bill provides statutory authority for the Tribal HUD-VASH program, which provides rental assistance and supportive services to Native American veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and living in or near an area where a tribe or tribally designated housing entity provides assistance for affordable housing.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is directed to use at least 5% of rental assistance amounts under the HUD-VASH program, which provides housing assistance to homeless veterans, for the Tribal HUD-VASH program. The Tribal HUD-VASH program shall be carried out in conjunction with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

HUD and the VA shall consult with tribal organizations regarding the program's design and may make program modifications after consulting with tribal organizations.

Program grants shall be made to entities eligible for Native American housing assistance block grants.

HUD may make renewal grants to entities that have received prior program grants.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 28, 2019:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jun 28, 2019:** Received in the House.
- **Jun 28, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.
- **Jun 27, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S4652-4664; text: CR S4662-4663)
- **Jun 27, 2019:** Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S4652-4664; text: CR S4662-4663)
- **Mar 28, 2019:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Hoeven without amendment. With written report No. 116-21.
- **Mar 28, 2019:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 49.
- **Feb 6, 2019:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 29, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 29, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.