

## S 2610

Tribal Energy Reauthorization Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 16, 2019
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Oct 22, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 10, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Native Americans

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Tribal Energy Reauthorization Act**

This bill reauthorizes through FY2031 certain energy grant programs and otherwise revises the activities of the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs within the Department of Energy.

Specifically, the office must

- consider the fiscal ability of an Indian tribe, intertribal organization, or tribal energy development organization to meet cost-sharing requirements for energy projects;
- give priority to partnering with state and local organizations when providing technical assistance to tribes;
- designate a liaison to ensure that tribes are aware of federal grants and funding opportunities; and
- develop an energy strategy for tribes in the Arctic to address climate change.

The bill also authorizes the office to provide grants for providing or expanding electricity to the homes of members of tribes that are acquired, constructed, or improved with federal funds. Currently, such grants may only be used to provide electricity on Indian land.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 10, 2020:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Hoeven with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 116-310.
- **Dec 10, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 612.
- **Jul 29, 2020:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 4, 2020:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-198.
- **Oct 16, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 16, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.