

## HR 5153

Indian Buffalo Management Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]

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

### Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Nov 18, 2019
Rep. Haaland, Debra A. [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Nov 18, 2019
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Jan 28, 2020
Rep. Cook, Paul [R-CA-8]	R · CA		Feb 12, 2020
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Feb 26, 2020
Rep. Fortenberry, Jeff [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Mar 4, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Sep 30, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Native Americans

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

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This bill establishes a permanent program within the Department of the Interior to develop and promote tribal ownership and management of buffalo and buffalo habitat on Indian lands.

Specifically, the bill requires Interior to (1) enter into contracts, award grants, and provide technical assistance to Indian tribes and tribal organizations for activities related to buffalo restoration or management; (2) consult with tribes and tribal organizations on initiatives that affect buffalo or buffalo habitat, including efforts to contain or eradicate diseased buffalo; and (3) develop a policy relating to buffalo and buffalo habitat management activities on Indian land.

Additionally, Interior may enter into agreements with tribes or tribal organizations to transport surplus buffalo from federal land onto Indian land.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 18, 2020:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 116-670.
- **Dec 18, 2020:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 554.
- **Sep 30, 2020:** Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States Discharged.
- **Sep 30, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 30, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Feb 5, 2020:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Dec 4, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States.
- **Nov 18, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 18, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.