

## S 3443

### MOWA Band of Choctaw Indians Recognition Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

**Introduced:** Jan 5, 2022

**Current Status:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 117-360.

**Latest Action:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 117-360. (Mar 23, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/3443>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Shelby, Richard C. [R-AL]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Mar 23, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Native Americans

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jan 5, 2022)

#### MOWA Band of Choctaw Indians Recognition Act

This bill extends federal recognition to the MOWA Band of Choctaw Indians.

The bill makes the tribe and its members eligible for services and benefits provided to federally recognized tribes and their members, without regard to the existence of a reservation or the location of the residence of any member. The service area of the tribe is considered to be Washington and Mobile Counties, Alabama.

The tribe must submit a membership roll to the Department of the Interior. The tribe must maintain the membership roll.

Interior must take land, not to exceed 3,223 acres, into trust for the benefit of the tribe.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 23, 2022:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 117-360.
- **Jan 5, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 5, 2022:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.