

S 559

A bill to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, and for other purposes.

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Native Americans

Introduced: Mar 3, 2021

Current Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

Latest Action: Subcommittee Hearings Held. (Apr 27, 2022)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/559

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|------------------------|---------------|------|-------------|
| Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR] | D · OR | | Mar 3, 2021 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Indian Affairs Committee | Senate | Reported By | Apr 28, 2021 |
| Natural Resources Committee | House | Hearings By (subcommittee) | Apr 27, 2022 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Native Americans

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|----------------|---|
| 117 HR 1891 | Identical bill | May 14, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States. |

Summary (as of May 26, 2021)

This bill revises the land claims of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon. In particular, the bill specifies that only the tribe's claims to the 84 acres of land known as the Thompson Strip, rather than the tribe's claims to any lands within Oregon, are extinguished.

Additionally, the bill prohibits gaming on any real property obtained by the tribe as part of a land claim settlement approved by the United States.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 27, 2022:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 8, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States.
- **Feb 7, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.
- **May 28, 2021:** Received in the House.
- **May 28, 2021:** Held at the desk.
- **May 27, 2021:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **May 26, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S3489; text: CR S3489)
- **May 26, 2021:** Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S3489; text: CR S3489)
- **Apr 28, 2021:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Schatz without amendment. With written report No. 117-18.
- **Apr 28, 2021:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 52.
- **Mar 10, 2021:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.