

HR 9116

Unrecognized Southeast Alaska Native Communities Recognition and Compensation Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Peltola, Mary Sattler [D-AK-At Large]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Stauber, Pete [R-MN-8] | R · MN | | Sep 30, 2022 |

Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 HR 3231 | Related bill | Jul 20, 2022: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Stauber asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 3231, a bill originally introduced by Representative Young, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection. |
| 117 S 3269 | Identical bill | Jun 7, 2022: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining. Hearings held. |

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This bill allows five Alaska Native communities in Southeast Alaska to form urban corporations and receive land entitlements.

Specifically, the bill allows the Alaska Native residents of each of the Alaska Native villages of Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Tenakee, and Wrangell, Alaska, to organize as Alaska Native urban corporations and to receive certain settlement land.

The bill directs the Department of the Interior to convey specified land to each urban corporation. Further, Interior must convey the subsurface estate for that land to the regional corporation for Southeast Alaska.

Interior must also convey to each urban corporation any U.S. interest in all roads, trails, log transfer facilities, leases, and appurtenances on or related to the land conveyed to the urban corporation.

The bill also allows each urban corporation to establish a settlement trust to (1) promote the health, education, and welfare of the trust beneficiaries; and (2) preserve the Alaska Native heritage and culture of their communities.

Actions Timeline

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