

## S 1723

Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act of 2024

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

**Introduced:** May 18, 2023

**Current Status:** Held at the desk.

**Latest Action:** Held at the desk. (Dec 24, 2024)

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Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		May 30, 2023
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		May 30, 2023
Sen. Fetterman, John [D-PA]	D · PA		Oct 16, 2023
Sen. Butler, Laphonza R. [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 8, 2024
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 16, 2024
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Apr 16, 2024

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 8, 2024

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Native Americans

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 7227	Related bill	<b>Nov 22, 2024:</b> Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 630.

## Summary (as of May 18, 2023)

### Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act

This bill establishes the Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies in the United States and sets forth its powers, duties, and membership.

Among other duties, the commission must investigate the impacts and ongoing effects of the Indian Boarding School Policies (federal policies under which American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children were forcibly removed from their family homes and placed in boarding schools).

Further, the commission must develop recommendations on ways to (1) protect unmarked graves and accompanying land protections; (2) support repatriation and identify the tribal nations from which children were taken; and (3) discontinue the removal of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children from their families and tribal communities by state social service departments, foster care agencies, and adoption agencies.

### Actions Timeline

- **Dec 24, 2024:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 24, 2024:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 23, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 20, 2024:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7254-7267)
- **Dec 20, 2024:** The committee substitute withdrawn by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 20, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Dec 20, 2024:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7255-7267)
- **Jul 8, 2024:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Schatz with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 118-187.
- **Jul 8, 2024:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 432.
- **Jun 7, 2023:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **May 18, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 18, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.