

HR 3371

Wounded Knee Massacre Memorial and Sacred Site Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

Introduced: May 16, 2023

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. (Sep 21, 2023)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/3371>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Johnson, Dusty [R-SD-At Large]

Party: Republican • State: SD • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Jul 17, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 21, 2023
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 13, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 2088	Identical bill	Aug 1, 2024: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 472.

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This bill directs the Department of the Interior to complete all actions necessary to place approximately 40 acres of land in Oglala Lakota County, South Dakota, into restricted fee status for the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe. *Restricted fee status* refers to land that is owned by a tribe or tribal member but is subject to restrictions by the United States against alienation (i.e., sale or transfer) or encumbrance (e.g., liens, leases, or rights-of-way) by operation of law.

The bill requires the land to be held and maintained as a memorial and sacred site, as outlined by the document titled *Covenant Between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe* and dated October 21, 2022. Further, it prohibits commercial development and gaming activity on the land.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 21, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
- **Sep 20, 2023:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4427)
- **Sep 20, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: 9/18/2023 CR H4364)
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- **Sep 20, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 18, 2023:** Mr. Collins moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Sep 18, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4364-4366)
- **Sep 18, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3371.
- **Sep 18, 2023:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Collins objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.
- **Sep 14, 2023:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 118-197.
- **Sep 14, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 160.
- **Jun 13, 2023:** Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs Discharged.
- **Jun 13, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 13, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jun 7, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held
- **May 22, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs .
- **May 16, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 16, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.