HR 3579

Tribal Trust Land Homeownership Act of 2023

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jul 12, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 70	Identical bill	**Jul 20, 2023:** Held at the desk.

Summary (as of May 22, 2023)

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This bill sets forth requirements for the processing of a proposed residential leasehold mortgage, business leasehold mortgage, land mortgage, or right-of-way document by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). The BIA must notify lenders upon receipt of such documentation, perform a preliminary review of such documents not later than 10 days after receipt, and approve or disapprove of such documents within 20 or 30 days, depending on the type of application.

Additionally, the bill sets forth requirements for the BIA regarding (1) response times for the completion of certified title status reports, (2) notification of delays in processing, and (3) the form of notices and delivery of certain reports.

The bill also provides relevant federal agencies and Indian tribes with read-only access to the Trust Asset and Accounting Management System maintained by the BIA.

The Government Accountability Office must report on digitizing documents for the purpose of streamlining and expediting the completion of mortgage packages for residential mortgages on Indian land.

Finally, the bill establishes within the BIA's Division of Real Estate Services the position of Realty Ombudsman.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 12, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held
- **Jun 9, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs.
- **May 22, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 22, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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