

HR 6148

Advancing Tribal Parity on Public Land Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry. (Mar 1, 2024)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Nov 7, 2023
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Nov 14, 2023
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Nov 14, 2023
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie Ann [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Nov 14, 2023
Rep. Davids, Sharice [D-KS-3]	D · KS		Dec 12, 2023
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Dec 12, 2023
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Jun 3, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 1, 2024
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 1, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 3186	Identical bill	Nov 1, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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This bill addresses tribal interests in the disposal and management of public land.

Specifically, the bill prohibits the federal government from disposing of public land or National Forest System land unless the Department of the Interior or the Department of Agriculture (USDA) determines, through consultation with any interested Indian tribe, that such disposal would not impact the rights and interests of any interested tribe and would not impair access to a reservation.

Interested Indian tribe means an Indian tribe with (1) historic, precontact, cultural, or religious connection to a cultural site located on the tract of public land; (2) a former reservation located on the tract of public land; or (3) treaty rights or other reserved rights associated with the tract of public land.

Interior and USDA must, prior to conducting a sale of a tract of public land, notify all tribes of the availability of land for sale. Further, Interior and USDA must sell the tract of land to an interested Indian tribe that submits a bid at fair market value. Land acquired by an interested tribe shall be taken into trust by Interior for the benefit of the tribe.

Additionally, the bill revises various public land provisions, including to add the interests of tribes to the list of considerations for land exchanges.

The bill also requires each public land advisory board to include at least one representative of an interested Indian tribe.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 1, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.
- **Nov 1, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 1, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.