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To extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe—Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 9, 2009

Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. PERRIELLO, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

MAY 12, 2009

Additional sponsors: Mr. ABERCROMBIE and Mr. KILDEE

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 9, 2009]

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal
- 6 Recognition Act of 2009".
- 7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this
- 8 Act is as follows:

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- Sec. 607. Hunting, fishing, trapping, gathering, and water rights.
- Sec. 608. Jurisdiction of Commonwealth of Virginia.

1 TITLE I—CHICKAHOMINY INDIAN 2 TRIBE

3 SEC. 101. FINDINGS.

- 4 Congress finds that—
- 5 (1) in 1607, when the English settlers set shore
 6 along the Virginia coastline, the Chickahominy In-
- 7 dian Tribe was 1 of about 30 tribes that received
 8 them;
- 9 (2) in 1614, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe en-
- 10 tered into a treaty with Sir Thomas Dale, Governor
- 11 of the Jamestown Colony, under which—

1	(A) the Chickahominy Indian Tribe agreed
2	to provide 2 bushels of corn per man and send
3	warriors to protect the English; and
4	(B) Sir Thomas Dale agreed in return to
5	allow the Tribe to continue to practice its own
6	tribal governance;
7	(3) in 1646, a treaty was signed which forced the
8	Chickahominy from their homeland to the area
9	around the York Mattaponi River in present-day
10	King William County, leading to the formation of a
11	reservation;
12	(4) in 1677, following Bacon's Rebellion, the
13	Queen of Pamunkey signed the Treaty of Middle
14	Plantation on behalf of the Chickahominy;
15	(5) in 1702, the Chickahominy were forced from
16	their reservation, which caused the loss of a land base;
17	(6) in 1711, the College of William and Mary in
18	Williamsburg established a grammar school for Indi-
19	ans called Brafferton College;
20	(7) a Chickahominy child was 1 of the first Indi-
21	ans to attend Brafferton College;
22	(8) in 1750, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe
23	began to migrate from King William County back to
24	the area around the Chickahominy River in New
25	Kent and Charles City Counties;

1	(9) in 1793, a Baptist missionary named
2	Bradby took refuge with the Chickahominy and took
3	a Chickahominy woman as his wife;
4	(10) in 1831, the names of the ancestors of the
5	modern-day Chickahominy Indian Tribe began to ap-
6	pear in the Charles City County census records;
7	(11) in 1901, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe
8	formed Samaria Baptist Church;
9	(12) from 1901 to 1935, Chickahominy men were
10	assessed a tribal tax so that their children could re-
11	ceive an education;
12	(13) the Tribe used the proceeds from the tax to
13	build the first Samaria Indian School, buy supplies,
14	and pay a teacher's salary;
15	(14) in 1919, C. Lee Moore, Auditor of Public
16	Accounts for Virginia, told Chickahominy Chief O.W.
17	Adkins that he had instructed the Commissioner of
18	Revenue for Charles City County to record Chicka-
19	hominy tribal members on the county tax rolls as In-
20	dian, and not as white or colored;
21	(15) during the period of 1920 through 1930,
22	various Governors of the Commonwealth of Virginia
23	wrote letters of introduction for Chickahominy Chiefs
24	who had official business with Federal agencies in
25	Washington, DC;

1	(16) in 1934, Chickahominy Chief O.O. Adkins
2	wrote to John Collier, Commissioner of Indian Af-
3	fairs, requesting money to acquire land for the Chick-
4	ahominy Indian Tribe's use, to build school, medical,
5	and library facilities and to buy tractors, implements,
6	and seed;
7	(17) in 1934, John Collier, Commissioner of In-
8	dian Affairs, wrote to Chickahominy Chief O.O.
9	Adkins, informing him that Congress had passed the
10	Act of June 18, 1934 (commonly known as the "In-
11	dian Reorganization Act") (25 U.S.C. 461 et seq.),
12	but had not made the appropriation to fund the Act;
13	(18) in 1942, Chickahominy Chief O.O. Adkins
14	wrote to John Collier, Commissioner of Indian Af-
15	fairs, asking for help in getting the proper racial des-
16	ignation on Selective Service records for Chicka-
17	hominy soldiers;
18	(19) in 1943, John Collier, Commissioner of In-
19	dian Affairs, asked Douglas S. Freeman, editor of the
20	Richmond News-Leader newspaper of Richmond, Vir-
21	ginia, to help Virginia Indians obtain proper racial
22	designation on birth records;
23	(20) Collier stated that his office could not offi-
24	cially intervene because it had no responsibility for
25	the Virginia Indians, "as a matter largely of histor-

1	ical accident", but was "interested in them as de-
2	scendants of the original inhabitants of the region";
3	(21) in 1948, the Veterans' Education Committee
4	of the Virginia State Board of Education approved
5	Samaria Indian School to provide training to vet-
6	erans;
7	(22) that school was established and run by the
8	Chickahominy Indian Tribe;
9	(23) in 1950, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe
10	purchased and donated to the Charles City County
11	School Board land to be used to build a modern
12	school for students of the Chickahominy and other
13	Virginia Indian tribes;
14	(24) the Samaria Indian School included stu-
15	dents in grades 1 through 8;
16	(25) in 1961, Senator Sam Ervin, Chairman of
17	the Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights of the
18	Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate, requested
19	Chickahominy Chief O.O. Adkins to provide assist-
20	ance in analyzing the status of the constitutional
21	rights of Indians "in your area";
22	(26) in 1967, the Charles City County school
23	board closed Samaria Indian School and converted

toward full school integration of Indian and non-In dian students;

(27) in 1972, the Charles City County school 3 4 board began receiving funds under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 5 6 U.S.C. 458aa et seq.) on behalf of Chickahominy stu-7 dents, which funding is provided as of the date of en-8 actment of this Act under title V of the Indian Self-9 Determination and Education Assistance Act (25) U.S.C. 458aaa et seq.); 10 11 (28) in 1974, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe 12 bought land and built a tribal center using monthly 13 pledges from tribal members to finance the trans-14 actions:

(29) in 1983, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe
was granted recognition as an Indian tribe by the
Commonwealth of Virginia, along with 5 other Indian tribes; and

19 (30) in 1985, Governor Gerald Baliles was the
20 special guest at an intertribal Thanksgiving Day din21 ner hosted by the Chickahominy Indian Tribe.

22 SEC. 102. DEFINITIONS.

23 In this title:

24 (1) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means
25 the Secretary of the Interior.

1	(2) TRIBAL MEMBER.—The term "tribal mem-
2	ber" means—
3	(A) an individual who is an enrolled mem-
4	ber of the Tribe as of the date of enactment of
5	this Act; and
6	(B) an individual who has been placed on
7	the membership rolls of the Tribe in accordance
8	with this title.
9	(3) TRIBE.—The term "Tribe" means the Chick-
10	ahominy Indian Tribe.
11	SEC. 103. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.
12	(a) FEDERAL RECOGNITION.—
13	(1) IN GENERAL.—Federal recognition is ex-
14	tended to the Tribe.
15	(2) APPLICABILITY OF LAWS.—All laws (includ-
16	ing regulations) of the United States of general appli-
17	cability to Indians or nations, Indian tribes, or bands
18	of Indians (including the Act of June 18, 1934 (25
19	U.S.C. 461 et seq.)) that are not inconsistent with
20	this title shall be applicable to the Tribe and tribal
21	members.
22	(b) Federal Services and Benefits.—
23	(1) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of en-
24	actment of this Act, the Tribe and tribal members
25	shall be eligible for all services and benefits provided

1 by the Federal Government to federally recognized In-2 dian tribes without regard to the existence of a res-3 ervation for the Tribe. 4 (2) SERVICE AREA.—For the purpose of the delivery of Federal services to tribal members, the serv-5 6 ice area of the Tribe shall be considered to be the area 7 comprised of New Kent County, James City County, 8 Charles City County, and Henrico County, Virginia. 9 SEC. 104. MEMBERSHIP; GOVERNING DOCUMENTS. 10 The membership roll and governing documents of the 11 Tribe shall be the most recent membership roll and gov-12 erning documents, respectively, submitted by the Tribe to 13 the Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act. 14 SEC. 105. GOVERNING BODY. 15 The governing body of the Tribe shall be— 16 (1) the governing body of the Tribe in place as 17 of the date of enactment of this Act; or 18 (2) any subsequent governing body elected in ac-19 cordance with the election procedures specified in the 20 governing documents of the Tribe. 21 SEC. 106. RESERVATION OF THE TRIBE. 22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the request of the Tribe, the

23 Secretary of the Interior—

24 (1) shall take into trust for the benefit of the
25 Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe that was ac-

1	quired by the Tribe on or before January 1, 2007, if
2	such lands are located within the boundaries of New
3	Kent County, James City County, Charles City Coun-
4	ty, or Henrico County, Virginia; and
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6	Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe, if such lands
7	are located within the boundaries of New Kent Coun-
8	ty, James City County, Charles City County, or
9	Henrico County, Virginia.

10 (b) DEADLINE FOR DETERMINATION.—The Secretary 11 shall make a final written determination not later than 12 three years of the date which the Tribe submits a request 13 for land to be taken into trust under subsection (a)(2) and 14 shall immediately make that determination available to the 15 Tribe.

(c) RESERVATION STATUS.—Any land taken into trust
for the benefit of the Tribe pursuant to this paragraph shall,
upon request of the Tribe, be considered part of the reservation of the Tribe.

(d) GAMING.—The Tribe may not conduct gaming activities as a matter of claimed inherent authority or under
the authority of any Federal law, including the Indian
Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) or under
any regulations thereunder promulgated by the Secretary
or the National Indian Gaming Commission.

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Nothing in this title expands, reduces, or affects in any
manner any hunting, fishing, trapping, gathering, or water
rights of the Tribe and members of the Tribe.

6 SEC. 108. JURISDICTION OF COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.
7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commonwealth of Virginia
8 shall exercise jurisdiction over—

9 (1) all criminal offenses that are committed on; 10 and

11 (2) all civil actions that arise on,

12 lands located within the Commonwealth of Virginia that13 are owned by, or held in trust by the United States for,14 the Tribe.

15 (b) ACCEPTANCE OF STATE JURISDICTION BY SEC-16 RETARY.—The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to ac-17 cept on behalf of the United States, after consulting with 18 the Attorney General of the United States, all or any por-19 tion of the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Virginia 20 described in subsection (a) upon verification by the Sec-21 retary of a certification by a tribe that it possesses the ca-22 pacity to reassume such jurisdiction.

TITLE II—CHICKAHOMINY IN- DIAN TRIBE—EASTERN DIVI- SION

4 SEC. 201. FINDINGS.

5	Congress	finds	that—
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6 (1) in 1607, when the English settlers set shore
7 along the Virginia coastline, the Chickahominy In8 dian Tribe was 1 of about 30 tribes that received
9 them;

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of the Jamestown Colony, under which—

13 (A) the Chickahominy Indian Tribe agreed
14 to provide 2 bushels of corn per man and send
15 warriors to protect the English; and

16 (B) Sir Thomas Dale agreed in return to
17 allow the Tribe to continue to practice its own
18 tribal governance;

(3) in 1646, a treaty was signed which forced the
Chickahominy from their homeland to the area
around the York River in present-day King William
County, leading to the formation of a reservation;

23 (4) in 1677, following Bacon's Rebellion, the
24 Queen of Pamunkey signed the Treaty of Middle
25 Plantation on behalf of the Chickahominy;

1	(5) in 1702, the Chickahominy were forced from
2	their reservation, which caused the loss of a land base;
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4	Williamsburg established a grammar school for Indi-
5	ans called Brafferton College;
6	(7) a Chickahominy child was 1 of the first Indi-
7	ans to attend Brafferton College;
8	(8) in 1750, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe
9	began to migrate from King William County back to
10	the area around the Chickahominy River in New
11	Kent and Charles City Counties;
12	(9) in 1793, a Baptist missionary named
13	Bradby took refuge with the Chickahominy and took
14	a Chickahominy woman as his wife;
15	(10) in 1831, the names of the ancestors of the
16	modern-day Chickahominy Indian Tribe began to ap-
17	pear in the Charles City County census records;
18	(11) in 1870, a census revealed an enclave of In-
19	dians in New Kent County that is believed to be the
20	beginning of the Chickahominy Indian Tribe—East-
21	ern Division;
22	(12) other records were destroyed when the New
23	Kent County courthouse was burned, leaving a State
24	census as the only record covering that period;

1	(13) in 1901, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe
2	formed Samaria Baptist Church;
3	(14) from 1901 to 1935, Chickahominy men were
4	assessed a tribal tax so that their children could re-
5	ceive an education;
6	(15) the Tribe used the proceeds from the tax to
7	build the first Samaria Indian School, buy supplies,
8	and pay a teacher's salary;
9	(16) in 1910, a 1-room school covering grades 1
10	through 8 was established in New Kent County for the
11	Chickahominy Indian Tribe—Eastern Division;
12	(17) during the period of 1920 through 1921, the
13	Chickahominy Indian Tribe—Eastern Division began
14	forming a tribal government;
15	(18) E.P. Bradby, the founder of the Tribe, was
16	elected to be Chief;
17	(19) in 1922, Tsena Commocko Baptist Church
18	was organized;
19	(20) in 1925, a certificate of incorporation was
20	issued to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe—Eastern
21	Division;
22	(21) in 1950, the 1-room Indian school in New
23	Kent County was closed and students were bused to
24	Samaria Indian School in Charles City County;

1	(22) in 1967, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe
2	and the Chickahominy Indian Tribe—Eastern Divi-
3	sion lost their schools as a result of the required inte-
4	gration of students;
5	(23) during the period of 1982 through 1984,
6	Tsena Commocko Baptist Church built a new sanc-
7	tuary to accommodate church growth;
8	(24) in 1983 the Chickahominy Indian Tribe—
9	Eastern Division was granted State recognition along
10	with 5 other Virginia Indian tribes;
11	(25) in 1985—
12	(A) the Virginia Council on Indians was
13	organized as a State agency; and
14	(B) the Chickahominy Indian Tribe—East-
15	ern Division was granted a seat on the Council;
16	(26) in 1988, a nonprofit organization known as
17	the "United Indians of Virginia" was formed; and
18	(27) Chief Marvin "Strongoak" Bradby of the
19	Eastern Band of the Chickahominy presently chairs
20	the organization.
21	SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.
22	In this title:
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24	the Secretary of the Interior.

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21	members.
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10	The membership roll and governing documents of the
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13	the Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act.
14	SEC. 205. GOVERNING BODY.
15	The governing body of the Tribe shall be—
16	(1) the governing body of the Tribe in place as
17	of the date of enactment of this Act; or
18	(2) any subsequent governing body elected in ac-
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23 TITLE III—UPPER MATTAPONI 24 TRIBE

25 SEC. 301. FINDINGS.

26 Congress finds that—

1	(1) during the period of 1607 through 1646, the
2	Chickahominy Indian Tribes—
3	(A) lived approximately 20 miles from
4	Jamestown; and
5	(B) were significantly involved in English-
6	Indian affairs;
7	(2) Mattaponi Indians, who later joined the
8	Chickahominy Indians, lived a greater distance from
9	Jamestown;
10	(3) in 1646, the Chickahominy Indians moved to
11	Mattaponi River basin, away from the English;
12	(4) in 1661, the Chickahominy Indians sold land
13	at a place known as "the cliffs" on the Mattaponi
14	River;
15	(5) in 1669, the Chickahominy Indians—
16	(A) appeared in the Virginia Colony's cen-
17	sus of Indian bowmen; and
18	(B) lived in "New Kent" County, which in-
19	cluded the Mattaponi River basin at that time;
20	(6) in 1677, the Chickahominy and Mattaponi
21	Indians were subjects of the Queen of Pamunkey, who
22	was a signatory to the Treaty of 1677 with the King
23	of England;
24	(7) in 1683, after a Mattaponi town was at-
25	tacked by Seneca Indians, the Mattaponi Indians took

1	refuge with the Chickahominy Indians, and the his-
2	tory of the 2 groups was intertwined for many years
3	thereafter;
4	(8) in 1695, the Chickahominy and Mattaponi
5	Indians—
6	(A) were assigned a reservation by the Vir-
7	ginia Colony; and
8	(B) traded land of the reservation for land
9	at the place known as "the cliffs" (which, as of
10	the date of enactment of this Act, is the
11	Mattaponi Indian Reservation), which had been
12	owned by the Mattaponi Indians before 1661;
13	(9) in 1711, a Chickahominy boy attended the
14	Indian School at the College of William and Mary;
15	(10) in 1726, the Virginia Colony discontinued
16	funding of interpreters for the Chickahominy and
17	Mattaponi Indian Tribes;
18	(11) James Adams, who served as an interpreter
19	to the Indian tribes known as of the date of enactment
20	of this Act as the "Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe"
21	and "Chickahominy Indian Tribe", elected to stay
22	with the Upper Mattaponi Indians;
23	(12) today, a majority of the Upper Mattaponi
24	Indians have "Adams" as their surname;

1	(13) in 1787, Thomas Jefferson, in Notes on the
2	Commonwealth of Virginia, mentioned the Mattaponi
3	Indians on a reservation in King William County
4	and said that Chickahominy Indians were "blended"
5	with the Mattaponi Indians and nearby Pamunkey
6	Indians;
7	(14) in 1850, the census of the United States re-
8	vealed a nucleus of approximately 10 families, all an-
9	cestral to modern Upper Mattaponi Indians, living in
10	central King William County, Virginia, approxi-
11	mately 10 miles from the reservation;
12	(15) during the period of 1853 through 1884,
13	King William County marriage records listed Upper
14	Mattaponis as "Indians" in marrying people residing
15	on the reservation;
16	(16) during the period of 1884 through the
17	present, county marriage records usually refer to
18	Upper Mattaponis as "Indians";
19	(17) in 1901, Smithsonian anthropologist James
20	Mooney heard about the Upper Mattaponi Indians
21	but did not visit them;
22	(18) in 1928, University of Pennsylvania an-
23	thropologist Frank Speck published a book on modern
24	Virginia Indians with a section on the Upper
25	Mattaponis;

1	(19) from 1929 until 1930, the leadership of the
2	Upper Mattaponi Indians opposed the use of a "col-
3	ored" designation in the 1930 United States census
4	and won a compromise in which the Indian ancestry
5	of the Upper Mattaponis was recorded but questioned;
6	(20) during the period of 1942 through 1945—
7	(A) the leadership of the Upper Mattaponi
8	Indians, with the help of Frank Speck and oth-
9	ers, fought against the induction of young men
10	of the Tribe into "colored" units in the Armed
11	Forces of the United States; and
12	(B) a tribal roll for the Upper Mattaponi
13	Indians was compiled;
14	(21) from 1945 to 1946, negotiations took place
15	to admit some of the young people of the Upper
16	Mattaponi to high schools for Federal Indians (espe-
17	cially at Cherokee) because no high school coursework
18	was available for Indians in Virginia schools; and
19	(22) in 1983, the Upper Mattaponi Indians ap-
20	plied for and won State recognition as an Indian
21	tribe.
22	SEC. 302. DEFINITIONS.
23	In this title:
24	(1) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means
25	the Secretary of the Interior.

1	(2) TRIBAL MEMBER.—The term "tribal mem-
2	ber" means—
3	(A) an individual who is an enrolled mem-
4	ber of the Tribe as of the date of enactment of
5	this Act; and
6	(B) an individual who has been placed on
7	the membership rolls of the Tribe in accordance
8	with this title.
9	(3) TRIBE.—The term "Tribe" means the Upper
10	Mattaponi Tribe.
11	SEC. 303. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.
12	(a) Federal Recognition.—
13	(1) IN GENERAL.—Federal recognition is ex-
14	tended to the Tribe.
15	(2) APPLICABILITY OF LAWS.—All laws (includ-
16	ing regulations) of the United States of general appli-
17	cability to Indians or nations, Indian tribes, or bands
18	of Indians (including the Act of June 18, 1934 (25
19	U.S.C. 461 et seq.)) that are not inconsistent with
20	this title shall be applicable to the Tribe and tribal
21	members.
22	(b) Federal Services and Benefits.—
23	(1) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of en-
24	actment of this Act, the Tribe and tribal members
25	shall be eligible for all services and benefits provided

by the Federal Government to federally recognized In dian tribes without regard to the existence of a res ervation for the Tribe.

4 (2) SERVICE AREA.—For the purpose of the de5 livery of Federal services to tribal members, the serv6 ice area of the Tribe shall be considered to be the area
7 within 25 miles of the Sharon Indian School at
8 13383 King William Road, King William County,
9 Virginia.

10 SEC. 304. MEMBERSHIP; GOVERNING DOCUMENTS.

11 The membership roll and governing documents of the 12 Tribe shall be the most recent membership roll and gov-13 erning documents, respectively, submitted by the Tribe to 14 the Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act.

15 SEC. 305. GOVERNING BODY.

- 16 The governing body of the Tribe shall be—
- 17 (1) the governing body of the Tribe in place as
 18 of the date of enactment of this Act; or
- (2) any subsequent governing body elected in accordance with the election procedures specified in the
- 21 governing documents of the Tribe.

22 SEC. 306. RESERVATION OF THE TRIBE.

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the request of the Tribe, the
24 Secretary of the Interior—

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1	(1) shall take into trust for the benefit of the
2	Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe that was ac-
3	quired by the Tribe on or before January 1, 2007, if
4	such lands are located within the boundaries of King
5	William County, Caroline County, Hanover County,
6	King and Queen County, and New Kent County, Vir-
7	ginia; and
8	(2) may take into trust for the benefit of the
9	Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe, if such lands
10	are located within the boundaries of King William
11	County, Caroline County, Hanover County, King and
12	Queen County, and New Kent County, Virginia.
13	(b) Deadline for Determination.—The Secretary
14	shall make a final written determination not later than
15	three years of the date which the Tribe submits a request
16	for land to be taken into trust under subsection $(a)(2)$ and
17	shall immediately make that determination available to the
18	Tribe.
19	(c) RESERVATION STATUS.—Any land taken into trust
20	for the benefit of the Tribe pursuant to this paragraph shall,
21	upon request of the Tribe, be considered part of the reserva-
22	tion of the Tribe.

23 (d) GAMING.—The Tribe may not conduct gaming ac24 tivities as a matter of claimed inherent authority or under
25 the authority of any Federal law, including the Indian

Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) or under
 any regulations thereunder promulgated by the Secretary
 or the National Indian Gaming Commission.

4 SEC. 307. HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING, GATHERING, AND
5 WATER RIGHTS.

Nothing in this title expands, reduces, or affects in any
manner any hunting, fishing, trapping, gathering, or water
rights of the Tribe and members of the Tribe.

9 SEC. 308. JURISDICTION OF COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.
10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commonwealth of Virginia
11 shall exercise jurisdiction over—

12 (1) all criminal offenses that are committed on;13 and

14 (2) all civil actions that arise on,

15 lands located within the Commonwealth of Virginia that16 are owned by, or held in trust by the United States for,17 the Tribe.

18 (b) ACCEPTANCE OF STATE JURISDICTION BY SEC-RETARY.—The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to ac-19 cept on behalf of the United States, after consulting with 20 21 the Attorney General of the United States, all or any por-22 tion of the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Virginia 23 described in subsection (a) upon verification by the Sec-24 retary of a certification by a tribe that it possesses the capacity to reassume such jurisdiction. 25

TITLE IV—RAPPAHANNOCK TRIBE, INC.

3 SEC. 401. FINDINGS.

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4 Congress finds that—

5 (1) during the initial months after Virginia was
6 settled, the Rappahannock Indians had 3 encounters
7 with Captain John Smith;

8 (2) the first encounter occurred when the Rappa9 hannock weroance (headman)—

10(A) traveled to Quiyocohannock (a prin-11cipal town across the James River from James-12town), where he met with Smith to determine13whether Smith had been the "great man" who14had previously sailed into the Rappahannock15River, killed a Rappahannock weroance, and16kidnapped Rappahannock people; and

17 (B) determined that Smith was too short to
18 be that "great man";

(3) on a second meeting, during John Smith's
captivity (December 16, 1607 to January 8, 1608),
Smith was taken to the Rappahannock principal village to show the people that Smith was not the "great man";

24 (4) a third meeting took place during Smith's
25 exploration of the Chesapeake Bay (July to September

1	1608), when, after the Moraughtacund Indians had
2	stolen 3 women from the Rappahannock King, Smith
3	was prevailed upon to facilitate a peaceful truce be-
4	tween the Rappahannock and the Moraughtacund In-
5	dians;
6	(5) in the settlement, Smith had the 2 Indian
7	tribes meet on the spot of their first fight;
8	(6) when it was established that both groups
9	wanted peace, Smith told the Rappahannock King to
10	select which of the 3 stolen women he wanted;
11	(7) the Moraughtacund King was given second
12	choice among the 2 remaining women, and Mosco, a
13	Wighcocomoco (on the Potomac River) guide, was
14	given the third woman;
15	(8) in 1645, Captain William Claiborne tried
16	unsuccessfully to establish treaty relations with the
17	Rappahannocks, as the Rappahannocks had not par-
18	ticipated in the Pamunkey-led uprising in 1644, and
19	the English wanted to "treat with the Rappahannocks
20	or any other Indians not in amity with
21	Opechancanough, concerning serving the county
22	against the Pamunkeys";
23	(9) in April 1651, the Rappahannocks conveyed
24	a tract of land to an English settler, Colonel Morre
25	Fauntleroy;

1	(10) the deed for the conveyance was signed by
2	Accopatough, weroance of the Rappahannock Indians;
3	(11) in September 1653, Lancaster County
4	signed a treaty with Rappahannock Indians, the
5	terms of which treaty—
6	(A) gave Rappahannocks the rights of Eng-
7	lishmen in the county court; and
8	(B) attempted to make the Rappahannocks
9	more accountable under English law;
10	(12) in September 1653, Lancaster County de-
11	fined and marked the bounds of its Indian settle-
12	ments;
13	(13) according to the Lancaster clerk of court,
14	"the tribe called the great Rappahannocks lived on
15	the Rappahannock Creek just across the river above
16	Tappahannock'';
17	(14) in September 1656, (Old) Rappahannock
18	County (which, as of the date of enactment of this
19	Act, is comprised of Richmond and Essex Counties,
20	Virginia) signed a treaty with Rappahannock Indi-
21	ans that—
22	(A) mirrored the Lancaster County treaty
23	from 1653; and
24	(B) stated that—

1	(i) Rappahannocks were to be re-
2	warded, in Roanoke, for returning English
3	fugitives; and
4	(ii) the English encouraged the
5	Rappahannocks to send their children to
6	live among the English as servants, who the
7	English promised would be well-treated;
8	(15) in 1658, the Virginia Assembly revised a
9	1652 Act stating that "there be no grants of land to
10	any Englishman whatsoever de futuro until the Indi-
11	ans be first served with the proportion of 50 acres of
12	land for each bowman";
13	(16) in 1669, the colony conducted a census of
14	Virginia Indians;
15	(17) as of the date of that census—
16	(A) the majority of the Rappahannocks
17	were residing at their hunting village on the
18	north side of the Mattaponi River; and
19	(B) at the time of the visit, census-takers
20	were counting only the Indian tribes along the
21	rivers, which explains why only 30 Rappahan-
22	nock bowmen were counted on that river;
23	(18) the Rappahannocks used the hunting village
24	on the north side of the Mattaponi River as their pri-

1	mary residence until the Rappahannocks were re-
2	moved in 1684;
3	(19) in May 1677, the Treaty of Middle Planta-
4	tion was signed with England;
5	(20) the Pamunkey Queen Cockacoeske signed on
6	behalf of the Rappahannocks, "who were supposed to
7	be her tributaries", but before the treaty could be rati-
8	fied, the Queen of Pamunkey complained to the Vir-
9	ginia Colonial Council "that she was having trouble
10	with Rappahannocks and Chickahominies, supposedly
11	tributaries of hers";
12	(21) in November 1682, the Virginia Colonial
13	Council established a reservation for the Rappahan-
14	nock Indians of 3,474 acres "about the town where
15	they dwelt";
16	(22) the Rappahannock "town" was the hunting
17	village on the north side of the Mattaponi River,
18	where the Rappahannocks had lived throughout the
19	1670s;
20	(23) the acreage allotment of the reservation was
21	based on the 1658 Indian land act, which translates
22	into a bowman population of 70, or an approximate
23	total Rappahannock population of 350;
24	(24) in 1683, following raids by Iroquoian war-
25	riors on both Indian and English settlements, the Vir-

1	ginia Colonial Council ordered the Rappahannocks to
2	leave their reservation and unite with the Nanzatico
3	Indians at Nanzatico Indian Town, which was lo-
4	cated across and up the Rappahannock River some 30
5	miles;
6	(25) between 1687 and 1699, the Rappahannocks
7	migrated out of Nanzatico, returning to the south side
8	of the Rappahannock River at Portobacco Indian
9	Town;
10	(26) in 1706, by order of Essex County, Lieuten-
11	ant Richard Covington "escorted" the Portobaccos
12	and Rappahannocks out of Portobacco Indian Town,
13	out of Essex County, and into King and Queen Coun-
14	ty where they settled along the ridgeline between the
15	Rappahannock and Mattaponi Rivers, the site of
16	their ancient hunting village and 1682 reservation;
17	(27) during the 1760s, 3 Rappahannock girls
18	were raised on Thomas Nelson's Bleak Hill Planta-
19	tion in King William County;
20	(28) of those girls—
21	(A) 1 married a Saunders man;
22	(B) 1 married a Johnson man; and
23	(C) 1 had 2 children, Edmund and Carter
24	Nelson, fathered by Thomas Cary Nelson;

1	(29) in the 19th century, those Saunders, John-
2	son, and Nelson families are among the core Rappa-
3	hannock families from which the modern Tribe traces
4	its descent;
5	(30) in 1819 and 1820, Edward Bird, John Bird
6	(and his wife), Carter Nelson, Edmund Nelson, and
7	Carter Spurlock (all Rappahannock ancestors) were
8	listed on the tax roles of King and Queen County and
9	taxed at the county poor rate;
10	(31) Edmund Bird was added to the tax roles in
11	1821;
12	(32) those tax records are significant documenta-
13	tion because the great majority of pre-1864 records for
14	King and Queen County were destroyed by fire;
15	(33) beginning in 1819, and continuing through
16	the 1880s, there was a solid Rappahannock presence
17	in the membership at Upper Essex Baptist Church;
18	(34) that was the first instance of conversion to
19	Christianity by at least some Rappahannock Indians;
20	(35) while 26 identifiable and traceable Rappa-
21	hannock surnames appear on the pre-1863 member-
22	ship list, and 28 were listed on the 1863 membership
23	roster, the number of surnames listed had declined to
24	12 in 1878 and had risen only slightly to 14 by 1888;

1	(36) a reason for the decline is that in 1870, a
2	Methodist circuit rider, Joseph Mastin, secured funds
3	to purchase land and construct St. Stephens Baptist
4	Church for the Rappahannocks living nearby in Caro-
5	line County;
6	(37) Mastin referred to the Rappahannocks dur-
7	ing the period of 1850 to 1870 as "Indians, having
8	a great need for moral and Christian guidance";
9	(38) St. Stephens was the dominant tribal
10	church until the Rappahannock Indian Baptist
11	Church was established in 1964;
12	(39) at both churches, the core Rappahannock
13	family names of Bird, Clarke, Fortune, Johnson, Nel-
14	son, Parker, and Richardson predominate;
15	(40) during the early 1900s, James Mooney,
16	noted anthropologist, maintained correspondence with
17	the Rappahannocks, surveying them and instructing
18	them on how to formalize their tribal government;
19	(41) in November 1920, Speck visited the
20	Rappahannocks and assisted them in organizing the
21	fight for their sovereign rights;
22	(42) in 1921, the Rappahannocks were granted
23	a charter from the Commonwealth of Virginia for-
24	malizing their tribal government;

1	(43) Speck began a professional relationship
2	with the Tribe that would last more than 30 years
3	and document Rappahannock history and traditions
4	as never before;
5	(44) in April 1921, Rappahannock Chief George
6	Nelson asked the Governor of Virginia, Westmoreland
7	Davis, to forward a proclamation to the President of
8	the United States, along with an appended list of
9	tribal members and a handwritten copy of the procla-
10	mation itself;
11	(45) the letter concerned Indian freedom of
12	speech and assembly nationwide;
13	(46) in 1922, the Rappahannocks established a
14	formal school at Lloyds, Essex County, Virginia;
15	(47) prior to establishment of the school, Rappa-
16	hannock children were taught by a tribal member in
17	Central Point, Caroline County, Virginia;
18	(48) in December 1923, Rappahannock Chief
19	George Nelson testified before Congress appealing for
20	a \$50,000 appropriation to establish an Indian school
21	in Virginia;
22	(49) in 1930, the Rappahannocks were engaged
23	in an ongoing dispute with the Commonwealth of Vir-
24	ginia and the United States Census Bureau about
25	their classification in the 1930 Federal census;

1	(50) in January 1930, Rappahannock Chief
2	Otho S. Nelson wrote to Leon Truesdell, Chief Stat-
3	istician of the United States Census Bureau, asking
4	that the 218 enrolled Rappahannocks be listed as In-
5	dians;
6	(51) in February 1930, Truesdell replied to Nel-
7	son saying that "special instructions" were being
8	given about classifying Indians;
9	(52) in April 1930, Nelson wrote to William M.
10	Steuart at the Census Bureau asking about the enu-
11	merators' failure to classify his people as Indians,
12	saying that enumerators had not asked the question
13	about race when they interviewed his people;
14	(53) in a followup letter to Truesdell, Nelson re-
15	ported that the enumerators were "flatly denying" his
16	people's request to be listed as Indians and that the
17	race question was completely avoided during inter-
18	views;
19	(54) the Rappahannocks had spoken with Caro-
20	line and Essex County enumerators, and with John
21	M.W. Green at that point, without success;
22	(55) Nelson asked Truesdell to list people as In-
23	dians if he sent a list of members;
24	(56) the matter was settled by William Steuart,
25	who concluded that the Bureau's rule was that people

1	of Indian descent could be classified as "Indian" only
2	if Indian "blood" predominated and "Indian" iden-
3	tity was accepted in the local community;
4	(57) the Virginia Vital Statistics Bureau classed
5	all nonreservation Indians as "Negro", and it failed
6	to see why "an exception should be made" for the
7	Rappahannocks;
8	(58) therefore, in 1925, the Indian Rights Asso-
9	ciation took on the Rappahannock case to assist the
10	Rappahannocks in fighting for their recognition and
11	rights as an Indian tribe;
12	(59) during the Second World War, the
13	Pamunkeys, Mattaponis, Chickahominies, and Rap-
14	pahannocks had to fight the draft boards with respect
15	to their racial identities;
16	(60) the Virginia Vital Statistics Bureau in-
17	sisted that certain Indian draftees be inducted into
18	Negro units;
19	(61) finally, 3 Rappahannocks were convicted of
20	violating the Federal draft laws and, after spending
21	time in a Federal prison, were granted conscientious
22	objector status and served out the remainder of the
23	war working in military hospitals;
24	(62) in 1943, Frank Speck noted that there were
25	approximately 25 communities of Indians left in the

1	Eastern United States that were entitled to Indian
2	classification, including the Rappahannocks;
3	(63) in the 1940s, Leon Truesdell, Chief Statisti-
4	cian, of the United States Census Bureau, listed 118
5	members in the Rappahannock Tribe in the Indian
6	population of Virginia;
7	(64) on April 25, 1940, the Office of Indian Af-
8	fairs of the Department of the Interior included the
9	Rappahannocks on a list of Indian tribes classified by
10	State and by agency;
11	(65) in 1948, the Smithsonian Institution An-
12	nual Report included an article by William Harlen
13	Gilbert entitled, "Surviving Indian Groups of the
14	Eastern United States", which included and described
15	the Rappahannock Tribe;
16	(66) in the late 1940s and early 1950s, the
17	Rappahannocks operated a school at Indian Neck;
18	(67) the State agreed to pay a tribal teacher to
19	teach 10 students bused by King and Queen County
20	to Sharon Indian School in King William County,
21	Virginia;
22	(68) in 1965, Rappahannock students entered
23	Marriott High School (a white public school) by exec-
24	utive order of the Governor of Virginia;

1	(69) in 1972, the Rappahannocks worked with
2	the Coalition of Eastern Native Americans to fight for
3	Federal recognition;
4	(70) in 1979, the Coalition established a pottery
5	and artisans company, operating with other Virginia
6	tribes;
7	(71) in 1980, the Rappahannocks received fund-
8	ing through the Administration for Native Americans
9	of the Department of Health and Human Services to
10	develop an economic program for the Tribe; and
11	(72) in 1983, the Rappahannocks received State
12	recognition as an Indian tribe.
13	SEC. 402. DEFINITIONS.
14	In this title:
15	(1) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means
16	the Secretary of the Interior.
17	(2) TRIBAL MEMBER.—The term "tribal mem-
18	ber" means—
19	(A) an individual who is an enrolled mem-
20	ber of the Tribe as of the date of enactment of
21	this Act; and
22	(B) an individual who has been placed on
23	the membership rolls of the Tribe in accordance
24	with this title.
25	(3) TRIBE.—

1	(A) IN GENERAL.—The term "Tribe" means
2	the organization possessing the legal name Rap-
3	pahannock Tribe, Inc.
4	(B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term "Tribe" does
5	not include any other Indian tribe, subtribe,
6	band, or splinter group the members of which
7	represent themselves as Rappahannock Indians.
8	SEC. 403. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.
9	(a) Federal Recognition.—
10	(1) IN GENERAL.—Federal recognition is ex-
11	tended to the Tribe.
12	(2) APPLICABILITY OF LAWS.—All laws (includ-
13	ing regulations) of the United States of general appli-
14	cability to Indians or nations, Indian tribes, or bands
15	of Indians (including the Act of June 18, 1934 (25
16	U.S.C. 461 et seq.)) that are not inconsistent with
17	this title shall be applicable to the Tribe and tribal
18	members.
19	(b) Federal Services and Benefits.—
20	(1) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of en-
21	actment of this Act, the Tribe and tribal members
22	shall be eligible for all services and benefits provided
23	by the Federal Government to federally recognized In-
24	dian tribes without regard to the existence of a res-
25	ervation for the Tribe.

1 (2) SERVICE AREA.—For the purpose of the de-2 livery of Federal services to tribal members, the service area of the Tribe shall be considered to be the area 3 4 comprised of King and Queen County, Caroline 5 County, Essex County, Spotsylvania County, Stafford 6 County, and Richmond County, Virginia. 7 SEC. 404. MEMBERSHIP; GOVERNING DOCUMENTS. 8 The membership roll and governing documents of the 9 Tribe shall be the most recent membership roll and gov-10 erning documents, respectively, submitted by the Tribe to 11 the Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act. 12 SEC. 405. GOVERNING BODY. 13 The governing body of the Tribe shall be— 14 (1) the governing body of the Tribe in place as 15 of the date of enactment of this Act; or 16 (2) any subsequent governing body elected in ac-17 cordance with the election procedures specified in the 18 governing documents of the Tribe. 19 SEC. 406. RESERVATION OF THE TRIBE. 20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the request of the Tribe, the 21 Secretary of the Interior— 22 (1) shall take into trust for the benefit of the

23 Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe that was ac24 quired by the Tribe on or before January 1, 2007, if

25 such lands are located within the boundaries of King

1	and Queen County, Stafford County, Spotsylvania
2	County, Richmond County, Essex County, and Caro-
3	line County, Virginia; and
4	(2) may take into trust for the benefit of the

5 Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe, if such lands
6 are located within the boundaries of King and Queen
7 County, Stafford County, Spotsylvania County, Rich8 mond County, Essex County, and Caroline County,
9 Virginia.

10 (b) DEADLINE FOR DETERMINATION.—The Secretary 11 shall make a final written determination not later than 12 three years of the date which the Tribe submits a request 13 for land to be taken into trust under subsection (a)(2) and 14 shall immediately make that determination available to the 15 Tribe.

(c) RESERVATION STATUS.—Any land taken into trust
for the benefit of the Tribe pursuant to this paragraph shall,
upon request of the Tribe, be considered part of the reservation of the Tribe.

(d) GAMING.—The Tribe may not conduct gaming activities as a matter of claimed inherent authority or under
the authority of any Federal law, including the Indian
Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) or under
any regulations thereunder promulgated by the Secretary
or the National Indian Gaming Commission.

Nothing in this title expands, reduces, or affects in any
manner any hunting, fishing, trapping, gathering, or water
rights of the Tribe and members of the Tribe.

6 SEC. 408. JURISDICTION OF COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.
7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commonwealth of Virginia
8 shall exercise jurisdiction over—

9 (1) all criminal offenses that are committed on; 10 and

11 (2) all civil actions that arise on,

12 lands located within the Commonwealth of Virginia that13 are owned by, or held in trust by the United States for,14 the Tribe.

15 (b) ACCEPTANCE OF STATE JURISDICTION BY SEC-RETARY.—The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to ac-16 cept on behalf of the United States, after consulting with 17 the Attorney General of the United States, all or any por-18 19 tion of the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Virginia described in subsection (a) upon verification by the Sec-20 retary of a certification by a tribe that it possesses the ca-21 22 pacity to reassume such jurisdiction.

23 TITLE V—MONACAN INDIAN 24 NATION

25 SEC. 501. FINDINGS.

26 Congress finds that—

(1) in 1677, the Monacan Tribe signed the Trea-
ty of Middle Plantation between Charles II of Eng-
land and 12 Indian "Kings and Chief Men";
(2) in 1722, in the Treaty of Albany, Governor
Spotswood negotiated to save the Virginia Indians
from extinction at the hands of the Iroquois;
(3) specifically mentioned in the negotiations
were the Monacan tribes of the Totero (Tutelo),
Saponi, Ocheneeches (Occaneechi), Stengenocks, and
Meipontskys;
(4) in 1790, the first national census recorded
Benjamin Evans and Robert Johns, both ancestors of
the present Monacan community, listed as "white"
with mulatto children;
(5) in 1782, tax records also began for those fam-
ilies;
(6) in 1850, the United States census recorded
29 families, mostly large, with Monacan surnames,
the members of which are genealogically related to the
present community;
(7) in 1870, a log structure was built at the
Bear Mountain Indian Mission;
(8) in 1908, the structure became an Episcopal
Mission and, as of the date of enactment of this Act,

1	the structure is listed as a landmark on the National
2	Register of Historic Places;
3	(9) in 1920, 304 Amherst Indians were identi-
4	fied in the United States census;
5	(10) from 1930 through 1931, numerous letters
6	from Monacans to the Bureau of the Census resulted
7	from the decision of Dr. Walter Plecker, former head
8	of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the Commonwealth
9	of Virginia, not to allow Indians to register as Indi-
10	ans for the 1930 census;
11	(11) the Monacans eventually succeeded in being
12	allowed to claim their race, albeit with an asterisk at-
13	tached to a note from Dr. Plecker stating that there
14	were no Indians in Virginia;
15	(12) in 1947, D'Arcy McNickle, a Salish Indian,
16	saw some of the children at the Amherst Mission and
17	requested that the Cherokee Agency visit them because
18	they appeared to be Indian;
19	(13) that letter was forwarded to the Department
20	of the Interior, Office of Indian Affairs, Chicago, Illi-
21	nois;
22	(14) Chief Jarrett Blythe of the Eastern Band of
23	Cherokee did visit the Mission and wrote that he
24	"would be willing to accept these children in the
25	Cherokee school";

1	(15) in 1979, a Federal Coalition of Eastern Na-
2	tive Americans established the entity known as "Mon-
3	acan Co-operative Pottery" at the Amherst Mission;
4	(16) some important pieces were produced at
5	Monacan Co-operative Pottery, including a piece that
6	was sold to the Smithsonian Institution;
7	(17) the Mattaponi-Pamunkey-Monacan Consor-
8	tium, established in 1981, has since been organized as
9	a nonprofit corporation that serves as a vehicle to ob-
10	tain funds for those Indian tribes from the Depart-
11	ment of Labor under Native American programs;
12	(18) in 1989, the Monacan Tribe was recognized
13	by the Commonwealth of Virginia, which enabled the
14	Tribe to apply for grants and participate in other
15	programs; and
16	(19) in 1993, the Monacan Tribe received tax-ex-
17	empt status as a nonprofit corporation from the In-
18	ternal Revenue Service.
19	SEC. 502. DEFINITIONS.
20	In this title:
21	(1) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means
22	the Secretary of the Interior.
23	(2) TRIBAL MEMBER.—The term "tribal mem-
24	ber" means—

1	(A) an individual who is an enrolled mem-
2	ber of the Tribe as of the date of enactment of
3	this Act; and
4	(B) an individual who has been placed on
5	the membership rolls of the Tribe in accordance
6	with this title.
7	(3) TRIBE.—The term "Tribe" means the Mona-
8	can Indian Nation.
9	SEC. 503. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.
10	(a) Federal Recognition.—
11	(1) IN GENERAL.—Federal recognition is ex-
12	tended to the Tribe.
13	(2) APPLICABILITY OF LAWS.—All laws (includ-
14	ing regulations) of the United States of general appli-
15	cability to Indians or nations, Indian tribes, or bands
16	of Indians (including the Act of June 18, 1934 (25
17	U.S.C. 461 et seq.)) that are not inconsistent with
18	this title shall be applicable to the Tribe and tribal
19	members.
20	(b) Federal Services and Benefits.—
21	(1) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of en-
22	actment of this Act, the Tribe and tribal members
23	shall be eligible for all services and benefits provided
24	by the Federal Government to federally recognized In-

1	dian tribes without regard to the existence of a res-
2	ervation for the Tribe.
3	(2) SERVICE AREA.—For the purpose of the de-
4	livery of Federal services to tribal members, the serv-
5	ice area of the Tribe shall be considered to be the area
6	comprised of all land within 25 miles from the center
7	of Amherst, Virginia.
8	SEC. 504. MEMBERSHIP; GOVERNING DOCUMENTS.
9	The membership roll and governing documents of the
10	Tribe shall be the most recent membership roll and gov-
11	erning documents, respectively, submitted by the Tribe to
12	the Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act.
13	SEC. 505. GOVERNING BODY.
14	The governing body of the Tribe shall be—
15	(1) the governing body of the Tribe in place as
16	of the date of enactment of this Act; or
17	(2) any subsequent governing body elected in ac-
18	cordance with the election procedures specified in the
19	governing documents of the Tribe.
20	SEC. 506. RESERVATION OF THE TRIBE.
21	(a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the request of the Tribe, the
22	Secretary of the Interior—
23	(1) shall take into trust for the benefit of the
24	Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe that was ac-
25	quired by the Tribe on or before January 1, 2007, if

such lands are located within the boundaries of Albe marle County, Alleghany County, Amherst County,
 Augusta County, Campbell County, Nelson County,
 and Rockbridge County, Virginia; and
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(z) may take this trust for the benefit of the *Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe, if such lands are located within the boundaries of Albemarle Coun- ty, Alleghany County, Amherst County, Augusta County, Campbell County, Nelson County, and Rockbridge County, Virginia.*

(b) DEADLINE FOR DETERMINATION.—The Secretary
shall make a final written determination not later than
three years of the date which the Tribe submits a request
for land to be taken into trust under subsection (a)(2) and
shall immediately make that determination available to the
Tribe.

(c) RESERVATION STATUS.—Any land taken into trust
for the benefit of the Tribe pursuant to this paragraph shall,
upon request of the Tribe, be considered part of the reservation of the Tribe.

(d) GAMING.—The Tribe may not conduct gaming activities as a matter of claimed inherent authority or under
the authority of any Federal law, including the Indian
Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) or under

any regulations thereunder promulgated by the Secretary
 or the National Indian Gaming Commission.

3 SEC. 507. HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING, GATHERING, AND 4 WATER RIGHTS.

5 Nothing in this title expands, reduces, or affects in any
6 manner any hunting, fishing, trapping, gathering, or water
7 rights of the Tribe and members of the Tribe.

8 SEC. 508. JURISDICTION OF COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commonwealth of Virginia
10 shall exercise jurisdiction over—

(1) all criminal offenses that are committed on;
and

13 (2) all civil actions that arise on,

14 lands located within the Commonwealth of Virginia that15 are owned by, or held in trust by the United States for,16 the Tribe.

17 (b) ACCEPTANCE OF STATE JURISDICTION BY SEC-18 RETARY.—The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to ac-19 cept on behalf of the United States, after consulting with 20 the Attorney General of the United States, all or any por-21 tion of the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Virginia 22 described in subsection (a) upon verification by the Sec-23 retary of a certification by a tribe that it possesses the ca-24 pacity to reassume such jurisdiction.

TITLE VI—NANSEMOND INDIAN TRIBE

3 SEC. 601. FINDINGS.

4 Congress finds that—

5 (1) from 1607 until 1646, Nansemond Indians—
6 (A) lived approximately 30 miles from
7 Jamestown; and

8 (B) were significantly involved in English9 Indian affairs;

(2) after 1646, there were 2 sections of
Nansemonds in communication with each other, the
Christianized Nansemonds in Norfolk County, who
lived as citizens, and the traditionalist Nansemonds,
who lived further west;

(3) in 1638, according to an entry in a 17th century sermon book still owned by the Chief's family, a
Norfolk County Englishman married a Nansemond
woman;

(4) that man and woman are lineal ancestors of
all of members of the Nansemond Indian tribe alive
as of the date of enactment of this Act, as are some
of the traditionalist Nansemonds;

23 (5) in 1669, the 2 Nansemond sections appeared
24 in Virginia Colony's census of Indian bowmen;

1	(6) in 1677, Nansemond Indians were signato-
2	ries to the Treaty of 1677 with the King of England;
3	(7) in 1700 and 1704, the Nansemonds and other
4	Virginia Indian tribes were prevented by Virginia
5	Colony from making a separate peace with the Iro-
6	quois;
7	(8) Virginia represented those Indian tribes in
8	the final Treaty of Albany, 1722;
9	(9) in 1711, a Nansemond boy attended the In-
10	dian School at the College of William and Mary;
11	(10) in 1727, Norfolk County granted William
12	Bass and his kinsmen the "Indian privileges" of
13	clearing swamp land and bearing arms (which privi-
14	leges were forbidden to other nonwhites) because of
15	their Nansemond ancestry, which meant that Bass
16	and his kinsmen were original inhabitants of that
17	land;
18	(11) in 1742, Norfolk County issued a certificate
19	of Nansemond descent to William Bass;
20	(12) from the 1740s to the 1790s, the tradition-
21	alist section of the Nansemond tribe, 40 miles west of
22	the Christianized Nansemonds, was dealing with res-
23	ervation land;

1	(13) the last surviving members of that section
2	sold out in 1792 with the permission of the Common-
3	wealth of Virginia;
4	(14) in 1797, Norfolk County issued a certificate
5	stating that William Bass was of Indian and English
6	descent, and that his Indian line of ancestry ran di-
7	rectly back to the early 18th century elder in a tradi-
8	tionalist section of Nansemonds on the reservation;
9	(15) in 1833, Virginia enacted a law enabling
10	people of European and Indian descent to obtain a
11	special certificate of ancestry;
12	(16) the law originated from the county in which
13	Nansemonds lived, and mostly Nansemonds, with a
14	few people from other counties, took advantage of the
15	new law;
16	(17) a Methodist mission established around
17	1850 for Nansemonds is currently a standard Meth-
18	odist congregation with Nansemond members;
19	(18) in 1901, Smithsonian anthropologist James
20	Mooney—
21	(A) visited the Nansemonds; and
22	(B) completed a tribal census that counted
23	61 households and was later published;

1	(19) in 1922, Nansemonds were given a special
2	Indian school in the segregated school system of Nor-
3	folk County;
4	(20) the school survived only a few years;
5	(21) in 1928, University of Pennsylvania an-
6	thropologist Frank Speck published a book on modern
7	Virginia Indians that included a section on the
8	Nansemonds; and
9	(22) the Nansemonds were organized formally,
10	with elected officers, in 1984, and later applied for
11	and received State recognition.
12	SEC. 602. DEFINITIONS.
13	In this title:
14	(1) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means
15	the Secretary of the Interior.
16	(2) TRIBAL MEMBER.—The term "tribal mem-
17	ber" means—
18	(A) an individual who is an enrolled mem-
19	ber of the Tribe as of the date of enactment of
20	this Act; and
21	(B) an individual who has been placed on
22	the membership rolls of the Tribe in accordance
23	with this title.
24	(3) TRIBE.—The term "Tribe" means the
25	Nansemond Indian Tribe.

1 SEC. 603. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.

2 (a) FEDERAL RECOGNITION.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Federal recognition is ex4 tended to the Tribe.

5 (2) APPLICABILITY OF LAWS.—All laws (includ-6 ing regulations) of the United States of general appli-7 cability to Indians or nations, Indian tribes, or bands 8 of Indians (including the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 9 U.S.C. 461 et seq.)) that are not inconsistent with 10 this title shall be applicable to the Tribe and tribal 11 members.

12 (b) FEDERAL SERVICES AND BENEFITS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of enactment of this Act, the Tribe and tribal members
shall be eligible for all services and benefits provided
by the Federal Government to federally recognized Indian tribes without regard to the existence of a reservation for the Tribe.

19 (2) SERVICE AREA.—For the purpose of the de20 livery of Federal services to tribal members, the serv21 ice area of the Tribe shall be considered to be the area
22 comprised of the cities of Chesapeake, Hampton, New23 port News, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk, and Virginia
24 Beach, Virginia.

1 SEC. 604. MEMBERSHIP; GOVERNING DOCUMENTS.

2 The membership roll and governing documents of the
3 Tribe shall be the most recent membership roll and gov4 erning documents, respectively, submitted by the Tribe to
5 the Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act.

6 SEC. 605. GOVERNING BODY.

7 The governing body of the Tribe shall be—

8 (1) the governing body of the Tribe in place as
9 of the date of enactment of this Act; or

(2) any subsequent governing body elected in accordance with the election procedures specified in the
governing documents of the Tribe.

13 SEC. 606. RESERVATION OF THE TRIBE.

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the request of the Tribe, the
15 Secretary of the Interior—

(1) shall take into trust for the benefit of the
Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe that was acquired by the Tribe on or before January 1, 2007, if
such lands are located within the boundaries of the
city of Suffolk, the city of Chesapeake, or Isle of Wight
County, Virginia; and

(2) may take into trust for the benefit of the
Tribe any land held in fee by the Tribe, if such lands
are located within the boundaries of the city of Suffolk, the city of Chesapeake, or Isle of Wight County,
Virginia.

(b) DEADLINE FOR DETERMINATION.—The Secretary
 shall make a final written determination not later than
 three years of the date which the Tribe submits a request
 for land to be taken into trust under subsection (a)(2) and
 shall immediately make that determination available to the
 Tribe.

7 (c) RESERVATION STATUS.—Any land taken into trust
8 for the benefit of the Tribe pursuant to this paragraph shall,
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(d) GAMING.—The Tribe may not conduct gaming activities as a matter of claimed inherent authority or under
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Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) or under
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17 SEC. 607. HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING, GATHERING, AND 18 WATER RIGHTS.

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22 SEC. 608. JURISDICTION OF COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.
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 and

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7 (b) ACCEPTANCE OF STATE JURISDICTION BY SEC-8 RETARY.—The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to ac-9 cept on behalf of the United States, after consulting with 10 the Attorney General of the United States, all or any por-11 tion of the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Virginia 12 described in subsection (a) upon verification by the Sec-13 retary of a certification by a tribe that it possesses the ca-14 pacity to reassume such jurisdiction.

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A BILL

To extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe-Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe.

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