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To direct the Federal Trade Commission to submit to Congress a report on unfair or deceptive acts or practices targeted at Indian Tribes or members of Indian Tribes, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LUJÁN (for himself and Mr. MORAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Indian
5 Tribes from Scams Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROTECTING INDIAN TRIBES FROM UNFAIR OR DE-**
2 **CEPTIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES.**

3 (a) FTC REPORT ON UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE ACTS
4 OR PRACTICES TARGETING INDIAN TRIBES.—Not later
5 than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act,
6 and after consultation with Indian Tribes, the Commission
7 shall make publicly available on the website of the Com-
8 mission and submit to the appropriate committees of Con-
9 gress a report on unfair or deceptive acts or practices tar-
10 geted at Indian Tribes or members of Indian Tribes, in-
11 cluding—

12 (1) a description of the types of unfair or de-
13 ceptive acts or practices identified by the Commis-
14 sion as being targeted at Indian Tribes or members
15 of Indian Tribes;

16 (2) a description of the consumer education ac-
17 tivities of the Commission with respect to such acts
18 or practices;

19 (3) a description of the efforts of the Commis-
20 sion to collaborate with Indian Tribes to prevent
21 such acts or practices or to pursue persons using
22 such acts or practices;

23 (4) a summary of the enforcement actions
24 taken by the Commission related to such acts or
25 practices; and

1 (5) any recommendations for legislation to pre-
2 vent such acts or practices.

3 (b) INCREASING AWARENESS OF UNFAIR OR DECEP-
4 TIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES TARGETING INDIAN TRIBES.—
5 Not later than 6 months after the date of the submission
6 of the report required by subsection (a), the Commission
7 shall update the website of the Commission to include in-
8 formation for consumers and businesses on identifying
9 and avoiding unfair or deceptive acts or practices targeted
10 at Indian Tribes or members of Indian Tribes.

11 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-
13 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-
14 gress” means—

15 (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,
16 and Transportation of the Senate;

17 (B) the Committee on Indian Affairs of the
18 Senate;

19 (C) the Committee on Energy and Com-
20 merce of the House of Representatives; and

21 (D) the Committee on Natural Resources
22 of the House of Representatives.

23 (2) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
24 means the Federal Trade Commission.

1 (3) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term “Indian Tribe”
2 has the meaning given that term in section 102 of
3 the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of
4 1994 (25 U.S.C. 5130).

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