

Calendar No. 234

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 3454**

To clarify the rights of Indians and Indian Tribes on Indian lands under the National Labor Relations Act.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 10, 2022

Mr. MORAN introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

JANUARY 18, 2022

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

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 “Tribal Labor Sov-
5 ereignty Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF EMPLOYER.**

7 (a) NLRA AMENDMENT.—Section 2 of the National
8 Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. 152) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or any In-
2 dian Tribe, or any enterprise or institution owned
3 and operated by an Indian Tribe and located on its
4 Indian lands,” after “subdivision thereof,”; and

5 (2) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(15) The term ‘Indian Tribe’ means any Indian
7 Tribe, band, nation, pueblo, or other organized group or
8 community which is recognized as eligible for the special
9 programs and services provided by the United States to
10 Indians because of their status as Indians.

11 “(16) The term ‘Indian’ means any individual who
12 is a member of an Indian Tribe.

13 “(17) The term ‘Indian lands’ means—

14 “(A) all lands within the limits of any Indian
15 reservation;

16 “(B) any lands title to which is either held in
17 trust by the United States for the benefit of any In-
18 dian Tribe or Indian or held by any Indian Tribe or
19 Indian subject to restriction by the United States
20 against alienation; and

21 “(C) any lands in the State of Oklahoma that
22 are within the boundaries of a former reservation (as
23 defined by the Secretary of the Interior) of a feder-
24 ally recognized Indian Tribe.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act and the amend-
2 ments made by this Act shall take effect on the day after
3 the date of enactment of this Act.

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