

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4352

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 2, 2021

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

AN ACT

To amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian Tribes, and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. REAFFIRMATION OF AUTHORITY.**

2 (a) MODIFICATION.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—The first sentence of section
4 19 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5129),
5 is amended—

6 (A) by striking “The term” and inserting
7 “Effective beginning June 18, 1934, the term”;
8 and

9 (B) by striking “any recognized Indian
10 tribe now under Federal jurisdiction” and in-
11 serting “any federally recognized Indian Tribe”.

12 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
13 by paragraph (1) shall take effect as if included in
14 the Act of June 18, 1934 (commonly known as the
15 “Indian Reorganization Act”; 25 U.S.C. 5101 et
16 seq.), on the date of the enactment of that Act.

17 (b) RATIFICATION AND CONFIRMATION OF AC-
18 TIONS.—Any action taken by the Secretary of the Interior
19 pursuant to the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5101
20 et seq.), for any Indian Tribe that was federally recognized
21 on the date of the action is ratified and confirmed, to the
22 extent such action is subjected to challenge based on
23 whether the Indian Tribe was federally recognized or
24 under Federal jurisdiction on June 18, 1934, as if the ac-
25 tion had, by prior Act of Congress, been specifically au-
26 thorized and directed.

1 (c) EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section or
3 the amendments made by this section affects—

4 (A) the application or effect of any Federal
5 law other than the Act of June 18, 1934 (25
6 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.), as amended by subsection
7 (a); or

8 (B) any limitation on the authority of the
9 Secretary of the Interior under any Federal law
10 or regulation other than the Act of June 18,
11 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.), as amended by
12 subsection (a).

13 (2) REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS.—An express
14 reference to the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C.
15 5101 et seq.), contained in any other Federal law
16 shall be considered to be a reference to that Act as
17 amended by subsection (a).

Passed the House of Representatives December 1,
2021.

Attest: CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.