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[Report No. 116–30]

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 24, 2019

Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. THUNE, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. DAINES, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, and Ms. MCSALLY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

APRIL 9, 2019

Reported by Mr. HOEVEN, without amendment

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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 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF EMPLOYER.**

2 Section 2 of the National Labor Relations Act (29
3 U.S.C. 152) is amended—

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

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

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

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

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

17 “(A) all lands within the limits of any Indian
18 reservation;

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

24 “(C) any lands in the State of Oklahoma that
25 are within the boundaries of a former reservation (as

- 1 defined by the Secretary of the Interior) of a feder-
- 2 ally recognized Indian Tribe.”.

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