**Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board**

**Indian Health Legislation: 116th Congress**

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| **Bill No.** | **Title** | **Bill Description and Related Bills** | **Sponsor(s)/*NW*** | **Committee(s)** | **Status** |
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| H.R. 195  Introduced: 1/3/19 | Pay our Doctors Act of 2019 | Provides full-year appropriations for the Indian Health Service in the event of a partial lapse in appropriations, and for other purposes. | Mullin (R-OK)/  *Simpson (R-ID), Bonamici (D-OR), Kilmer (D-WA)* | Appropriations | In Committee |
| S. 192  Introduced: 1/18/19  H.R. 2328\*  Introduced:  4/14/19  H.R. 2680  Introduced: 5/10/19  H.R. 2668  Introduced:  5/10/19  H.R. 2700  Introduced: 5/14/19  S. 1895\*  Introduced:  6/19/19 | Community and Public Health Programs Extension Act  Special Diabetes Programs for Indians Reauthorization Act of 2019  Community Health Investment, Modernization, and Excellence Act of 2019  Special Diabetes Program Reauthorization Act of 2019  Lowering Prescription Drug Costs an Extending Community Health Centers and Other Health Priorities Act  Lower Health Care Costs Act | **SDPI BILLS (\*most likely to move)**  Provides extensions for community health centers, the National Health Service Corps., teaching health centers that operate GME programs, and special diabetes programs  Funds SDPI at $150 million per year for four years.  Reauthorizes SDPI at $200m for 5 years  Reauthorizes special programs for diabetes for 5 years  Incentives low-cost drug options and general competition, and provides extensions to community health centers, NHSC, and special diabetes program for 4 years at $150m  Lowers healthcare costs and includes funding for SDPI at $150 million per year. | Lamar (R-TN)/  *Murray (D-WA)*  O’Halleran (D-AZ)/  *Smith (D-WA),*  *Jayapal (D-WA),*  *Kilmer (D-WA),*  *Larsen (D-WA),*  *Schrader (D-OR),*  *Heck (D-WA),*  *DeFazio (D-OR),*  *Newhouse (R-WA)*  O’Halleran (D-AZ)  DeGette (D-CO)/  *Schrier (D-WA)*  Burgess (R-TX)/  *Walden (R-OR), McMorris Rodgers (R-WA), Herrera Beutler, (R-WA)*  Lamar (R-TN)/  *Murray (D-WA)* | HELP  Energy and Commerce, Health Subcommittee  Energy and Commerce  Energy and Commerce  Energy and Commerce, Judiciary  HELP | In Committee  7/17/19- Ordered reported by House E&C  6/4/19- Subcommittee Hearing  6/4/19- Subcommittee Hearing  In Committee & Subcommittees  7/8/19- Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar |
| S. 209  Introduced: 1/24/19  H.R. 2031  Introduced:  4/2/19 | PROGRESS for Indian Tribes Act | Amends the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA) to establish and further self-governance by Indian Tribes under DOI. | Hoeven (R-ND)/  *Cantwell (D-WA)*  Haaland (D-NM)/  *Heck (D-WA), Kilmer (D-WA); Delbene (D-WA)* | House Natural Resources  Natural Resources | 6/27/19- Passed Senate; 7/3/19- Referred to House Subcommittee  7/16/19- Indigenous Peoples of the US Subcommittee hearing. |
| S. 229  Introduced: 1/25/19  H.R. 1128  Introduced:  2/8/19  H.R. 1135  Introduced:  2/8/19  S. 2541  Introduced: 9/24/19 | Indian Programs Advance Appropriations Act (BIA & IHS)  Indian Health Service Advance Appropriations Act of 2019 | **ADVANCE APPROPRIATIONS BILLS**  Provides advance appropriations authority for certain accounts of the BIA and BIE of the DOI and the IHS of HHS.  Amends ICHIA to authorize advance appropriations for IHS by providing 2-fiscal years budget authority | Udall (D-NM)/  *Merkley (D-OR), Wyden (D-OR)*  McCollum (D-MN)/  *Kilmer (D-WA), Herrera Beutler (R-WA), Simpson (R-ID), Heck (D-WA), McMorris Rodgers (D-WA)*  Young (R-AK)/  *Kilmer (D-WA),*  *Heck (D-WA)*  Murkowski (R-AK)/  *Wyden (D-OR),*  *Merkley (D-OR)* | Budget  Budget, Energy and Commerce and Natural Resources  Budget, Energy and Commerce and Natural Resources  SCIA | In Committee  9/25/19- Subcommittee hearings held  9/25/19- Subcommittee hearings held  In Committee |
| S. 257  Introduced: 1/29/19  H.R. 2999  Introduced: 5/23/19 | Tribal HUD-VASH Act of 2019 | Provides rental assistance for homeless or at-risk Indian veterans, and for other purposes. | Tester (D-MT)/  *Cantwell (D-WA)*  Lujan (D-NM)/  *Delbene (D-WA), Heck (D-WA), Kilmer (D-WA)* | Indian Affairs  Financial Services | 6/27/19- Passed Senate  6/28/19- House: Referred Committee on Financial Services  In Committee |
| S. 336  Introduced: 2/5/19  H.R. 2029  Introduced:  4/2/19 | Studying the Missing and Murdered Indian Crisis Act of 2019 | Directs the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report on the response of law enforcement agencies to report on missing or murdered Indians. | Tester (D-MT)  Gallego (D-AZ)/  *Bonamici (D-OR)* | Indian Affairs  Judiciary, Natural Resources | In Committee  In Committee and Subcommittee |
| S. 450  Introduced:  2/12/19 | Veterans Improved Access and Care Act of 201 | Requires the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to expedite the onboarding process for new medical providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs and to reduce the duration of the hiring process for such medical provider. | Gardner (R-CO) | Veterans’ Affairs | 5/22/19 -Hearing |
| S. 467  Introduced: 2/13/19  H.R. 1191  Introduced: 2/13/19 | Native American Suicide Prevention Act of 2019 | Amends section 520E of the Public Health Service Act to require States and their designees receiving grants for development and implementation of statewide suicide early intervention and prevention strategies to collaborate with each Federally recognized Indian tribe, tribal organization, urban Indian organization, and Native Hawaiian health care system in the State. | Warren (D-MA)/  *Merkley (D-OR)*  Grijalva (D-AZ)/  *Blumenauer (D-OR), Jayapal (D-WA), Heck (D-WA), McMorris Rodgers (D-WA), Larsen (D-WA)* | HELP  Energy and Commerce | In Committee  In Subcommittee |
| S. 498  Introduced: 2/14/19 | Assessment of the Indian Health Service Act of 2019 | Calls for the Secretary of HHS to contract an assessment of IHS’ health care delivery systems and financial management process of IHS facilities to improve care for patients. | Rounds (R-SD) | Indian Affairs | In Committee |
| H.R. 1303  Introduced:  2/15/19 | Examining Opioid Treatment Infrastructure Act of 2019 | Requires Comptroller General of the United States to examine, among other things, the availability of residential and outpatient treatment programs to AI/AN. | Foster (D-IL)/  *Walden (R-OR)* | Energy and Commerce, Natural Resources | In Committee and Subcommittee |
| S. 524  Introduced: 2/24/19 | Department of Veterans Affairs Tribal Advisory Committee Act of 2019. | Establishes a VA Tribal Advisory Committee to provide advice and guidance to the Secretary on matters relating to Indian tribes, tribal organizations and Native American veterans. | Tester (D-MT)/ | Veterans Affairs | 5/22/19- Hearing |
| H.R. 1585  Introduced 3/7/19 | Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019 | Reauthorizes Violence Against Women’s Act of 1994 | Bass (D-CA)/ | Whole House | 4/4/19- Passed House  4/10/19- Senate: On Legislative Calendar |
| S. 785  Introduced:  3/31/19 | Commander John Scott Hannon Veterans Mental Health Improvement Act of 2019 | Improves mental health care, eases transition from recently separated veterans, increases community engagement through grants. | Tester (D-MT)/  *Murray (D-WA), Merkley (D-OR)* | Veterans’ Affairs | 5/22/19- Hearing |
| S. 982  Introduced  4/2/2019  H.R. 2438  Introduced:  5/1/19 | Not Invisible Act | Establishes an advisory committee on violent crimes and would establish best practices for law enforcement on combatting the missing and murdered AI/ANs epidemic. | Cortez Masto (D-NV)  Haaland (D-NM)/  *Kilmer (D-WA), Smith (D-WA), Heck (D-WA), DelBene (D-WA), Larsen (D-WA), Bonamici (D-OR), DeFazio (D-OR)*  *Blumenauer (D-Or)* | Indian Affairs  Natural Resources,  Judiciary | 11/20/19- Ordered to be reported by Indian Affairs.    In Subcommittees |
| S. 1001  Introduced: 4/3/19 | Tribal Veterans Health Care Enhancement Act | Amends the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to allow the Indian Health Service to cover the cost of a copayment of an Indian or Alaska Native veteran receiving medical care or services from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes. | Thune (R-SD)/ | Indian Affairs | In Committee |
| H.R. 2062  Introduced: 4/3/19  S. 1012  Introduced:  4/3/19 | Overdose Prevention and Patient Safety Act  Protecting Jessica Grub’s Legacy Act | Aligns 42 CFR Part 2 with HIPAA to protect the privacy of patients with substance use disorders. Prevents discrimination based on medical records and provides penalties for violations. | Blumenauer (D-OR)/ *Bonamici (D-OR), DelBene (D-WA), Larsen (D-WA), Walden (R-OR), DeFazio (D-OR), Kilmer (D-WA)*  Manchin (D-WV)/  *Merkley (D-OR)* | Energy and Commerce  HELP | In Committee  In Committee |
| S. 1180  Introduced:  4/11/19  H.R. 2316  Introduced:  4/12/19 | Urban Indian Health Parity Act | A bill to extend the full Federal medical assistance percentage to urban Indian organizations. | Udall (D-NM)/  *Cantwell (D-WA),*  *Merkley (D-OR), Murray (D-WA)*  Lujan (D-NM)/  *Blumenauer (D-OR), DelBene (D-WA), Jayapal (D-WA), Smith (D-WA), Heck (D-WA), Bonamici (D-OR)* | Finance  Energy and Commerce | In Committee  In Committee |
| S. 1213  Introduced  4/11/19 | Consumer Health Insurance Protection Act of 2019 | Introduces consumer protections on par with Medicare and Medicaid requirements for private insurers. Protects against high premiums and limits insurance company profits. | Warren (D-MA) | Finance | In Committee |
| H.R. 2482  Introduced 5/2/19  S. 2074  Introduced: 7/10/19 | Mainstreaming Addiction Treatment At of 2019 | Repeals the DATA waiver requirement to prescribe buprenorphine. S. 2074 would allow CHAs to prescribe MAT | Tonko (D-NY)/  *Schrader (D-OR), Jayapal (D-WA), Heck (D-WA), Newhouse (R-WA), Blumenauer (D-OR)*  Hassan (D-NH)/  *Merkley (D-OR)* | Energy and Commerce, Judiciary, Ways and Means  HELP | In Committee and Subcommittee  In Committee |
| S. 1329  Introduced:  5/6/19  H.R. 2549  Introduced  5/7/19 | AI/AN CAPTA | Requires that equitable distribution of assistance include equitable distribution in Indian tribes and tribal organizations and to increase amounts reserved for allotment to Indian tribes and tribal organizations under certain circumstances, and to provide for a Government Accountability Office report on child abuse and neglect in American Indian tribal communities. | Warren (D-MA)/  *Merkley (D-OR)*  Grijalva (D-AZ) | Indian Affairs  Education and Labor, Natural Resources | In Committee  In Committee and Subcommittee |
| S. 1365  Introduced:  5/8/19  H.R. 2569  Introduced:  5/8/19 | Comprehensive Addiction Resources Emergency Act of 2019 (CARE) | To Provide emergency assistance to States, territories, Tribal nations, and local areas affected by the opioid epidemic and to make financial assistance available to States, territories, Tribal nations, local areas, and public or private nonprofit entities to provide for the development, organization, coordination, and operation of more effective and cost efficient systems for the delivery of essential services to individuals with substance use disorder and their families | Warren (D-MA)  Cummings (D-MD)/  *Bonamici (D-OR), Blumenauer (D-OR), Jayapal (D-WA), Kilmer (D-WA)* | HELP  Energy and Commerce, Natural Resources, Judiciary | In Committee  In Subcommittees |
| H.R. 3055  Introduced:  6/3/19 | Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2020, and Further Health Extenders Act of 2019 | This bill provides continuing FY2020 appropriations to federal agencies through December 20, 2019, and extends several expiring health programs. | Serrano (D-NY) | Appropriations | 11/21/19 - Became Public Law 116-69 |
| H.R. 3340  Introduced:  6/19/19 | Tribal Healthcare Careers Act | To provide a set-aside of funds for Indian populations under the health profession opportunity grant program under section 2008 of the Social Security Act. | Gomez (D-CA) | Ways and Means | In Committee |
| H.R. 3343  Introduced:  6/19/19 | Technical Assistance for Health Grants Act | To provide for technical assistance under the health profession opportunity grant program under section 2008 of the Social Security Act. | Kildee (D-MI) | Ways and Means | In Committee |
| S. 1926  Introduced:  6/20/2019  H.R. 3815  Introduced: 7/17/2019 | PrEP Access and Coverage Act | To increase access to pre-exposure prophylaxis to reduce the transmission of HIV | Harris (D-CA)  Schiff (D-CA)/  *Blumenauer (D-OR)* | HELP  Energy & Commerce; Oversight and Reform; Veterans Affairs; Ways and Means; Natural Resources, Armed Services, Financial Services | In Committee  In Committee and Subcommittees |
| H.R. 3630  Introduced:  7/11/2019 | No Surprises Act | Amends title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to protect health care consumers from surprise billing practices, and for other purposes. | Palone (D-NJ)/  *Walden (R-OR)* | Energy & Commerce; Education and Labor | 7/11/19- Forwarded by E&C Health Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote |
| H.R. 3877  Introduced:  7/23/19 | Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019 | Increases spending caps, suspending debt limit and, ending sequestration for all discretionary spending including IHS. | Yarmuth (D-KY) | Budget, Rules, Ways and Means | 8/2/19- Signed by President  8/1/19- Passed Senate  7/25/19- Passed House  7/23/19- Rules Committee Reported to House |
| S. 2365  Introduced:  7/31/19 | Health Care Access for Urban Native Veterans Act of 2019 | Allows the VA to reimburse urban Indian health centers for services they provide to Native Veterans. | Udall (D-NM) | Indian Affairs | 11/20/19- Hearings held in Committee |
| H.R. 4378  Introduced: 9/18/19 | Continuing Appropriations Act, 2020, and Health Extenders Act of 2019 | Provides FY 2020 continuing appropriations to federal agencies through November 21, 2019 | Lowey (D-NY) | Appropriations, Budget | 9/19/19: Passed House  9/26/19: Passed Senate  9/27/19: Signed into Law |
| H.R. 4530  Introduced: 9/26/19 | Native American Health Savings Improvement Act | Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit individuals eligible for Indian Health Service assistance to qualify for health savings accounts. | Moolenaar (R-MI) | Ways and Means | In committee |
| H.R. 4532  Introduced: 9/26/19  S. 2558  Introduced: 9/26/19 | Nursing Home Care for Native Veterans Act | Amends title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make certain grants to assist nursing homes for veterans located on tribal lands. | O’Halleran (D-AZ)  Sinema (D-AZ) | Veterans Affairs  Veterans Affairs | In subcommittee  In committee |
| H.R. 4533  Introduced:  9/26/19 | Native Health Access Improvement Act | Amends the Public Health Service Act to improve behavioral health outcomes for American Indians and Alaska Natives and for other purposes. | Pallone (D-NJ) | E&C, Ways and Means, Natural Resources | In subcommittee |
| H.R. 4534  Introduced: 9/26/19 | Native Health and Wellness Act | Amends the Public Health Service Act to improve the public health system in tribal communities and increase the number of American Indians and Alaska Natives pursuing careers and for other purposes. | Ruiz (D-CA) | E&C | In committee |
| H.R. 4908  Introduced: 10/29/19 | Native American Veteran Parity in Access to Care Today Act | Amends title 38, U.S. Code, to prohibit the collection of health care copayment by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from a veteran who is a member of an Indian tribe. | Gallego (D-AZ) | Veterans Affairs | In subcommittee |
| S. 2871  Introduced: 11/14/19 | Indian Health Service Health Professions Tax Fairness Act of 2019 | Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income payments under the Indian Health Service Loan Repayment Program and certain amounts received under the Indian Health Professions Scholarships Program. | Udall (D-NM) | Finance | In committee |