**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. 195Introduced: 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. 192Introduced: 1/18/19H.R. 2328\*Introduced:4/14/19H.R. 2680Introduced: 5/10/19H.R. 2668 Introduced:5/10/19H.R. 2700Introduced: 5/14/19S. 1895\*Introduced:6/19/19 | Community and Public Health Programs Extension ActSpecial Diabetes Programs for Indians Reauthorization Act of 2019 Community Health Investment, Modernization, and Excellence Act of 2019Special Diabetes Program Reauthorization Act of 2019Lowering Prescription Drug Costs an Extending Community Health Centers and Other Health Priorities ActLower 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 programsFunds SDPI at $150 million per year for four years.Reauthorizes SDPI at $200m for 5 yearsReauthorizes 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 $150mLowers 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)* | HELPEnergy and Commerce, Health SubcommitteeEnergy and CommerceEnergy and CommerceEnergy and Commerce, JudiciaryHELP | In Committee7/17/19- Ordered reported by House E&C6/4/19- Subcommittee Hearing6/4/19- Subcommittee HearingIn Committee & Subcommittees7/8/19- Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar |
| S. 209Introduced: 1/24/19H.R. 2031Introduced: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 ResourcesNatural Resources | 6/27/19- Passed Senate; 7/3/19- Referred to House Subcommittee7/16/19- Indigenous Peoples of the US Subcommittee hearing.  |
| S. 229Introduced: 1/25/19H.R. 1128Introduced:2/8/19H.R. 1135Introduced:2/8/19S. 2541Introduced: 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)* | BudgetBudget, Energy and Commerce and Natural ResourcesBudget, Energy and Commerce and Natural ResourcesSCIA | In Committee9/25/19- Subcommittee hearings held9/25/19- Subcommittee hearings heldIn Committee |
| S. 257Introduced: 1/29/19H.R. 2999Introduced: 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 AffairsFinancial Services | 6/27/19- Passed Senate6/28/19- House: Referred Committee on Financial Services In Committee |
| S. 336Introduced: 2/5/19H.R. 2029Introduced: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 AffairsJudiciary, Natural Resources | In CommitteeIn Committee and Subcommittee |
| S. 450Introduced: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. 467Introduced: 2/13/19H.R. 1191Introduced: 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)* | HELPEnergy and Commerce | In CommitteeIn Subcommittee |
| H.R. 1158Introduced 2/13/19 | Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 | Makes consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020.  | McCaul (R-TX) | Homeland Security | 12/20/19 - Signed by President |
| S. 498Introduced: 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. 1303Introduced: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. 524Introduced: 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. 1585Introduced 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 House4/10/19- Senate: On Legislative Calendar |
| S. 785Introduced: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. 982Introduced4/2/2019H.R. 2438Introduced: 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. 1001Introduced: 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. 2062Introduced: 4/3/19S. 1012Introduced:4/3/19 | Overdose Prevention and Patient Safety ActProtecting 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 CommerceHELP | In CommitteeIn Committee |
| S. 1180Introduced:4/11/19H.R. 2316Introduced: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)* | FinanceEnergy and Commerce | In CommitteeIn Committee |
| S. 1213Introduced4/11/19 | 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. 2482Introduced 5/2/19S. 2074Introduced: 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 MeansHELP | In Committee and SubcommitteeIn Committee |
| S. 1329Introduced:5/6/19H.R. 2549Introduced 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 AffairsEducation and Labor, Natural Resources | In CommitteeIn Committee and Subcommittee |
| S. 1365Introduced:5/8/19H.R. 2569Introduced: 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)* | HELPEnergy and Commerce, Natural Resources, Judiciary | In CommitteeIn Subcommittees |
| H.R. 3055Introduced: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. 3340Introduced: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. 3343Introduced: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. 1926Introduced:6/20/2019H.R. 3815Introduced: 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)* | HELPEnergy & Commerce; Oversight and Reform; Veterans Affairs; Ways and Means; Natural Resources, Armed Services, Financial Services | In CommitteeIn Committee and Subcommittees |
| H.R. 3630Introduced: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. 3877Introduced: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 President8/1/19- Passed Senate7/25/19- Passed House7/23/19- Rules Committee Reported to House |
| S. 2365Introduced: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 | 12/18/19- Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar |
| H.R. 4378Introduced: 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 House9/26/19: Passed Senate9/27/19: Signed into Law |
| H.R. 4530Introduced: 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. 4532Introduced: 9/26/19S. 2558Introduced: 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 AffairsVeterans Affairs | In subcommitteeIn committee |
| H.R. 4533Introduced: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. 4534Introduced: 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. 4908Introduced: 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. 2871Introduced: 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 |
| H.R. 4957Introduced: 12/5/19 | Native American Child Protection Act  | Amends the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act. | Gallego (D-AZ) | Natural Resources | 12/5/19- Ordered to be reported  |
| S. 3126Introduced:12/19/19 | Native Behavioral Health Access Improvement Act of 2019 | Amends the Public Health Service Act to authorize a special behavioral health program for Indians. | Smith (D-MN) | Indian Affairs | In Committee |
| H.R. 5323Introduced: 3/9/19 | Tribal Elder Care Improvement Act of 2019  | Amends the Older Americans Act of 1965 to expand supportive services for Native American aging programs, and for other purposes. | O’Halleran (D-AZ) | Education and Labor | In Committee |