

To amend Federal Law as it deals with the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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**In the House of Representatives**

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**January 4, 2017**

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**The American Indian Affairs Act of 2017****Section 1**

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is abolished effective December 31, 2018. All federal offices administering the Bureau of Indian Affairs are closed on the same date. All federal employees working within the Bureau of Indian Affairs shall be terminated on Jan 31, 2018. All federal laws and acts pertaining to the Bureau of Indians Affairs are permanently rescinded on December 31, 2017.

**Section 2**

With the passage of this Act, A Native American shall forever be defined as a person who has at least one great-grandparent, grandparent or parent who is currently registered as a Native American. For a great-grandparent, grandparent or parent to be defined as a Native American, they must be a member of a tribe listed on the current roster of tribes maintained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as displayed in Appendix A of this Act. DNA testing shall be used to resolve all disputes involving ancestry.

**Section 3**

Each Native American born prior to January 1, 2017, once nineteen years of age, shall receive on the first day of each month, from the federal government, an electronic payment equal to 173 hours times the then current federal minimum wage until they die. Ordinary income taxes, including social security and Medicare type taxes levied by local, state or the federal government on its citizens shall be deducted and be paid on this income. Payments are forfeited in the event of incarceration for more than thirty days and remain forfeited until recipient is released.

**Section 4**

All Native American Indians born on or after January 1, 2017, are entitled to the same federal and state level support and governmental programs available to any American citizen within the state they reside. All Indian reservations shall be afforded the same level of governmental service afforded any other community within the state in which the reservation is located.

## Section 5

All land and all other assets held in trust for Native Americans or registered tribes are to be released to them by December 31, 2017. Until that date, no land or other assets held in trust may be sold or transferred by any means or method. All buildings and all other assets presently owned by any governmental agency located on land that is to be released under this act shall become the property of the new owners of the land on January 1, 2017, with the current owner paying all costs associated with the transfer of the assets. All land, once transferred to a tribe, may forever be sold only to companies (headquartered) or US citizens (living) in the United States.

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