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H. R. 6180

To reaffirm the applicability of the Indian Reorganization Act to the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

Mr. CARL (for himself, Mr. LAMALFA, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. COLE, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, and Mr. STRONG) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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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 “Poarch Band of Creek
5 Indians Lands Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. APPLICABILITY OF INDIAN REORGANIZATION ACT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—For the purposes of the Act of
8 June 18, 1934 (commonly known as the “Indian Reorga-
9 nization Act”; 25 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.), the Poarch Band

1 of Creek Indians is deemed to be a recognized Indian tribe
2 now under Federal jurisdiction.

3 (b) LANDS TAKEN INTO TRUST.—All lands taken
4 into trust by the United States for the benefit of the
5 Poarch Band of Creek Indians prior to the date of enact-
6 ment of this section are reaffirmed as trust land, and the
7 actions of the Secretary of the Interior in taking such
8 lands into trust under the Indian Reorganization Act are
9 ratified and confirmed.

10 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect
11 as if enacted on June 18, 1934, and shall apply to all
12 claims, including claims challenging the validity of title or
13 the effectiveness of any action of the Secretary acquiring
14 and taking land described in subsection (a) into trust, that
15 are pending on the date of enactment of this section, or
16 that are filed on or after that date.

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