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H. R. 1478

To amend the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental and Native American Public Policy Act of 1992 to provide funds for training in tribal leadership, management, and policy, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 2007

Mr. GRIJALVA (for himself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. PASTOR) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. NATIVE NATIONS LEADERSHIP, MANAGEMENT,**
4 **AND POLICY.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

1 (1) the policy of the United States favors self-
2 determination for Indian tribes;

3 (2) consistent with the policy described in para-
4 graph (1), Indian tribes are increasingly taking con-
5 trol of the affairs of the tribes in order to realize in
6 practice most of the status afforded the tribes in
7 treaties, court decisions, and legislation;

8 (3) as a result of the increasing control of the
9 tribes, tribes require enhanced leadership prepara-
10 tion and greater access to information relating to re-
11 search and analysis of successful models for tribal
12 government and business operations, similar to the
13 information regularly available to Federal, State,
14 and local government agencies;

15 (4) enabling Indian tribes to develop strong
16 leadership and governing policy is consistent with
17 Federal policy supporting tribal self-determination
18 and increases the likelihood that tribal governments
19 will achieve political and economic self-determina-
20 tion; and

21 (5) during the last 5 years, the Morris K. Udall
22 Scholarship and Excellence in National Environ-
23 mental Policy Foundation, in cooperation with the
24 Native Nations Institute at the University of Ari-
25 zona, pursuant to section 6(7) of the Morris K.

1 Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Envi-
2 ronmental and Native American Public Policy Act of
3 1992 (20 U.S.C. 5604(7)), has provided to Indian
4 tribes the leadership and management training, pol-
5 icy analysis, and research of the quality and type re-
6 quired to assist Indian tribes to achieve self-deter-
7 mination.

8 (b) DEFINITIONS.—Section 4 of the Morris K. Udall
9 Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental
10 and Native American Public Policy Act of 1992 (20
11 U.S.C. 5602) is amended—

12 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through
13 (9) as paragraphs (7) through (10), respectively;
14 and

15 (2) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
16 lowing:

17 “(6) the terms ‘Indian tribe’ and ‘tribe’ have
18 the meaning given the term ‘Indian tribe’ in section
19 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education
20 Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b);”.

21 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
22 13 of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in
23 National Environmental and Native American Public Pol-
24 icy Act of 1992 (20 U.S.C. 5609) is amended by striking
25 subsection (c) and inserting the following:

1 “(c) TRAINING IN TRIBAL LEADERSHIP, MANAGE-
2 MENT, AND POLICY.—

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be
4 appropriated to carry out section 6(7)—

5 “(A) \$500,000 for each of fiscal years
6 2008 and 2009;

7 “(B) \$750,000 for fiscal year 2010; and

8 “(C) \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years
9 2011 and 2012.

10 “(2) LIMITATIONS.—An appropriation made
11 pursuant to this subsection shall not be subject to
12 section 7(c).”.

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