

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5541
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Page 2, strike lines 6 through 13, and insert the following:

1 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “land.”
2 and inserting “land;”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following subpara-
4 graphs:

5 “(D) any land located in a census tract in
6 which the majority of residents are Natives (as
7 defined in section 3(b) of the Alaska Native
8 Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1602(b)));
9 and

10 “(E) any land located in a census tract in
11 which the majority of residents are persons who
12 are enrolled members of a federally recognized
13 Tribe or village.”.

Page 2, line 18, strike “Director” and insert “Secretary of Energy”.

Page 2, line 19, strike “Indian tribe” and insert “Indian tribe, intertribal organization, or tribal energy development organization”.

Page 2, line 21, strike “Indian tribe” and insert “Indian tribe, intertribal organization, or tribal energy development organization”.

Page 2, line 22, strike “Director” and insert “Secretary of Energy”.

Page 2, line 22, strike the quotation mark and the period at the end.

Page 2, after line 22, insert the following:

1 “(E) Section 988 of the Energy Policy Act
2 of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16352) shall not apply to
3 assistance provided under this subsection.”.

Amend section 3 to read as follows:

4 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON ELECTRICITY ACCESS AND RELI-**
5 **ABILITY.**

6 (a) ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary of Energy shall
7 conduct an assessment of the status of access to electricity
8 by households residing in Tribal communities or on Indian
9 land, and the reliability of electric service available to
10 households residing in Tribal communities or on Indian
11 land, as compared to the status of access to and reliability
12 of electricity within neighboring States or within the State
13 in which Indian land is located.

1 (b) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of Energy shall
2 consult with Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, the
3 North American Electricity Reliability Corporation, and
4 the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in the devel-
5 opment and conduct of the assessment under subsection
6 (a). Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations shall have the
7 opportunity to review and make recommendations regard-
8 ing the development of the assessment and the findings
9 of the assessment, prior to the submission of the report
10 under subsection (c).

11 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
12 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy
13 shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce
14 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
15 Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report on
16 the results of the assessment conducted under subsection
17 (a), which shall include—

18 (1) a description of generation, transmission,
19 and distribution assets available to provide electricity
20 to households residing in Tribal communities or on
21 Indian land;

22 (2) a survey of the retail and wholesale prices
23 of electricity available to households residing in
24 Tribal communities or on Indian land;

1 (3) a description of participation of Tribal
2 members in the electric utility workforce, including
3 the workforce for construction and maintenance of
4 renewable energy resources and distributed energy
5 resources;

6 (4) the percentage of households residing in
7 Tribal communities or on Indian land that do not
8 have access to electricity;

9 (5) the potential of distributed energy resources
10 to provide electricity to households residing in Tribal
11 communities or on Indian land;

12 (6) the potential for tribally-owned electric utili-
13 ties or electric utility assets to participate in or ben-
14 efit from regional electricity markets;

15 (7) a description of the barriers to providing ac-
16 cess to electric service to households residing in
17 Tribal communities or on Indian land; and

18 (8) recommendations to improve access to and
19 reliability of electric service for households residing
20 in Tribal communities or on Indian land.

21 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) TRIBAL MEMBER.—The term “Tribal mem-
23 ber” means a person who is an enrolled member of
24 a federally recognized Tribe or village.

1 (2) TRIBAL COMMUNITY.—The term “Tribal
2 community” means a community in a United States
3 census tract in which the majority of residents are
4 persons who are enrolled members of a federally rec-
5 ognized Tribe or village.

