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To take certain land in the State of Washington into trust for the benefit of the Quinault Indian Nation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 26, 2025

Ms. RANDALL 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 "Quinault Indian Na-

5 tion Land Transfer Act".

6 SEC. 2. LAND TAKEN INTO TRUST FOR THE BENEFIT OF 7 THE QUINAULT INDIAN NATION.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,
9 the approximately 72 acres of land located in the State
10 of Washington and generally depicted as "Allotment

1157" on the map entitled "Quinault Indian Nation Land
 Transfer Act" and dated February 2, 2024, shall be ad ministratively transferred from the Forest Service to the
 Department of the Interior and taken into trust for the
 benefit of the Quinault Indian Nation.

6 (b) LAND PART OF RESERVATION; ADMINISTRA7 TION.—The land taken into trust under subsection (a)
8 shall be—

9 (1) part of the Quinault Indian Reservation;10 and

(2) administered by the Secretary of the Interior in accordance with the laws and regulations
generally applicable to property held in trust by the
United States for an Indian Tribe.

(c) GAMING PROHIBITED.—The land taken into trust
under subsection (a) shall not be eligible for gaming under
the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et
seq.).

(d) NO IMPACT ON TREATY RIGHTS.—Nothing in
this Act affects treaty rights under the Treaty between
the United States and the Qui-nai-elt and Quil-leh-ute Indians, done at the Qui-nai-elt River July 1, 1855, and
Olympia January 25, 1856 (12 Stat. 971) (commonly
known as the "Treaty of Olympia").

(e) HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.—For purposes of the
 taking of land into trust under subsection (a), the Sec retary of the Interior—

4 (1) shall meet disclosure requirements for haz5 ardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants
6 under section 120(h) of the Comprehensive Environ7 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
8 of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9620(h)); and

9 (2) shall not otherwise be required to remediate
10 or abate those hazardous substances, pollutants, or
11 contaminants.

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