

117TH CONGRESS  
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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LUJÁN (for himself and Mr. MORAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 “Protecting Indian  
5       Tribes from Scams Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROTECTING INDIAN TRIBES FROM UNFAIR OR DE-**  
2 **CEPTIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES.**

3 (a) FTC REPORT ON UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE ACTS  
4 OR PRACTICES TARGETING INDIAN TRIBES.—Not later  
5 than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
6 and after consultation with Indian Tribes, the Commission  
7 shall make publicly available on the website of the Com-  
8 mission and submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
9 gress a report on unfair or deceptive acts or practices tar-  
10 geted at Indian Tribes or members of Indian Tribes, in-  
11 cluding—

12 (1) a description of the types of unfair or de-  
13 ceptive acts or practices identified by the Commis-  
14 sion as being targeted at Indian Tribes or members  
15 of Indian Tribes;

16 (2) a description of the consumer education ac-  
17 tivities of the Commission with respect to such acts  
18 or practices;

19 (3) a description of the efforts of the Commis-  
20 sion to collaborate with Indian Tribes to prevent  
21 such acts or practices or to pursue persons using  
22 such acts or practices;

23 (4) a summary of the enforcement actions  
24 taken by the Commission related to such acts or  
25 practices; and

1           (5) any recommendations for legislation to pre-  
2       vent such acts or practices.

3       (b) INCREASING AWARENESS OF UNFAIR OR DECEP-  
4       TIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES TARGETING INDIAN TRIBES.—  
5       Not later than 6 months after the date of the submission  
6       of the report required by subsection (a), the Commission  
7       shall update the website of the Commission to include in-  
8       formation for consumers and businesses on identifying  
9       and avoiding unfair or deceptive acts or practices targeted  
10      at Indian Tribes or members of Indian Tribes.

11      (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12           (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
13      GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
14      gress” means—

15           (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
16           and Transportation of the Senate;

17           (B) the Committee on Indian Affairs of the  
18           Senate;

19           (C) the Committee on Energy and Com-  
20           merce of the House of Representatives; and

21           (D) the Committee on Natural Resources  
22           of the House of Representatives.

23      (2) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”  
24      means the Federal Trade Commission.

1           (3) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term “Indian Tribe”  
2       has the meaning given that term in section 102 of  
3       the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of  
4       1994 (25 U.S.C. 5130).