

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M. \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following bill; which was 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 to as the “Including of Tribal  
5 Governments and Territories in the National Money  
6 Laundering Strategy Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) According to the Department of Justice,  
4 human trafficking is “a crime that involves exploit-  
5 ing a person for labor, services, or commercial sex”,  
6 a global illicit trade that is estimated by Global Fi-  
7 nancial Integrity to be valued at over \$150.2 billion  
8 per year.

9 (2) Polaris, the non-governmental organization  
10 which runs the U.S. National Human Trafficking  
11 Hotline, has found that while human trafficking is  
12 a nationwide problem, the majority of domestic  
13 human trafficking victims are “people who have his-  
14 torically faced discrimination and its political, social  
15 and economic consequences: People of color, indige-  
16 nous communities, immigrants and people who iden-  
17 tify as LGBTQ+”.

18 (3) For this reason, it is important that law en-  
19 forcement representing native communities and our  
20 territories are part of the national dialogue about  
21 countering human trafficking.

22 (4) The National Strategy for combating money  
23 laundering and related financial crimes, which con-  
24 siders human trafficking among other issues, is cur-  
25 rently designed to mandate participation by State,  
26 local, and Federal authorities, but not Tribal and

1 territorial law enforcement and other government  
2 authorities.

3 (5) Similarly, the High Intensity Financial  
4 Crime Areas (HIFCAs), which are designated  
5 through the law, does not currently mandate the in-  
6 clusion of Tribal and territory law enforcement and  
7 other government officials.

8 **SEC. 3. INCLUSION OF TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS AND TERRI-**  
9 **TORIES IN NATIONAL MONEY LAUNDERING**  
10 **STRATEGY.**

11 Section 5341 of title 31, United States Code, is  
12 amended—

13 (1) in subsection (b)—

14 (A) in paragraph (5)—

15 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
16 “between the Federal Government and  
17 State and local officials” and inserting  
18 “between the Federal Government, State,  
19 local, Tribal, and Territory officials”; and

20 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
21 “State and local officials” and inserting  
22 “between State, local, Tribal, and Terri-  
23 tory officials”.

24 (B) in paragraph (11), by striking “Fed-  
25 eral Government and State and local govern-

1           ments” and inserting “Federal Government and  
2           State, local, Tribal, and Territory govern-  
3           ments”.

4           (2) in subsection (d)—

5                 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “State  
6                 and local officials” and inserting “State, local,  
7                 Tribal, and Territory officials”;

8                 (B) in paragraph (7), by striking “State  
9                 and local officials” and inserting “State, local,  
10                Tribal, and Territory officials”;

11                (C) in paragraph (8), by striking “State or  
12                local government authority” and inserting  
13                “State, local, Tribal, or Territory government  
14                authority”.