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H. R. 4231

To prohibit regulations that classify, enhance, or diminish the privileges and immunities of an Indian tribe relative to other federally recognized Indian tribes, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 14, 1994

Mr. RICHARDSON (for himself and Mr. THOMAS of Wyoming) 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 That section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C.

4 476), is amended by adding at the end the following new

5 subsections:

6 “(f) PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF INDIAN

7 TRIBES; PROHIBITION ON NEW REGULATIONS.—The

8 head of a department or agency of the United States may

1 not promulgate any regulation or make any decision or
2 determination pursuant to this Act or any other Act of
3 Congress, with respect to a federally recognized Indian
4 tribe that classifies, enhances, or diminishes the privileges
5 and immunities available to the Indian tribe relative to
6 other federally recognized tribes by virtue of their status
7 as Indian tribes.

8 “(g) PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF INDIAN
9 TRIBES; EXISTING REGULATIONS.—Any regulation or ad-
10 ministrative decision or determination of a department or
11 agency of the United States in existence or effect on the
12 date of enactment of this subsection that classifies, en-
13 hances, or diminishes the privileges and immunities avail-
14 able to a federally recognized Indian tribe relative to the
15 privileges and immunities available to other federally rec-
16 ognized tribes by virtue of their status as Indian tribes
17 shall have no force or effect.”.

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