

February 2022 Congressional Committee Meetings Update

This month, AIPI tracked the following U.S. House and Senate Committee meetings affecting Indian Country for the month of February. This list includes meetings that took place between January 24, 2022 and February 18, 2022.

1. **February 2, 2022: Senate Committee on Indian Affairs - [Oversight Hearing "The Long Journey Home: Advancing the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act's Promise After 30 Years of Practice"](#).**
 - Panel 1:
 - Joy Beasley, Cultural Resources, Partnerships and Science, National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, DC.
 - Dr. Anna Maria Ortiz, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Washington, DC.
 - Ms. Carmen Hulu Lindsey, Chair, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Honolulu, HI.
 - Dr. Valerie Grussing, Executive Director, National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, Washington, DC.
 - Dr. Rosita Worl, President, Sealaska Heritage Institute, Juneau, AK.

2. **February 16, 2022: [Senate Committee on Indian Affairs - Business Meeting to consider S. 2264 & Legislative Hearing to receive testimony on S. 3123, S. 3126, S. 3273 & S. 3381.](#)**
 - Bills considered:
 - [S.2264](#), A bill to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996.
 - [S.3123](#), A bill to amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, and for other purposes.
 - [S.3126](#), A bill to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community, and for other purposes.
 - [S.3273](#), A bill to take certain land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, and for other purposes.
 - [S.3381](#), A bill to require the Bureau of Indian Affairs to process and complete all mortgage packages associated with residential and business mortgages on Indian land by certain deadlines, and for other purposes.