

113TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 1894

To establish an Office of Tribal Relations in the Department of Agriculture.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 8, 2013

Mrs. NOEM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## A BILL

To establish an Office of Tribal Relations in the Department of Agriculture.

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. OFFICE OF TRIBAL RELATIONS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title III of the Department of Ag-  
5 riculture Reorganization Act of 1994 is amended by add-  
6 ing after section 308 (7 U.S.C. 3125a note; Public Law  
7 103–354) the following new section:

8 **“SEC. 309. OFFICE OF TRIBAL RELATIONS.**

9 “The Secretary shall establish in the Office of the  
10 Secretary an Office of Tribal Relations to advise the Sec-  
11 retary on policies related to Indian tribes.”

1 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 296(b) of  
2 the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of  
3 1994 (7 U.S.C. 7014(b)) is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (6)(C), by striking “or” at the  
5 end;

6 (2) in paragraph (7), by striking the period at  
7 the end and inserting “; or”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
9 paragraph:

10 “(8) the authority of the Secretary to establish  
11 in the Office of the Secretary the Office of Tribal  
12 Relations in accordance with section 309.”.

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