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S. 1562

To ensure that Federal laws that enable Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies to access firearms apply equally to Tribal law enforcement agencies.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 11, 2023

Mr. MULLIN (for himself and Mr. CRAMER) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Tribal Police Depart-
5 ment Parity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS TO FIREARMS.**

7 (a) AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 18, UNITED STATES
8 CODE.—

1 (1) TRANSFER AND POSSESSION OF POST-1986
2 MACHINEGUNS.—Section 922(o)(2)(A) of title 18,
3 United States Code, is amended—

4 (A) by striking “or a State, or” and insert-
5 ing “, a State or”; and

6 (B) by inserting before “; or” the fol-
7 lowing: “, or an Indian Tribe (as defined in sec-
8 tion 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and
9 Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304)) or
10 any department or agency thereof”.

11 (2) TRANSPORTATION, SHIPMENT, RECEIPT,
12 POSSESSION, AND IMPORTATION OF FIREARMS AND
13 AMMUNITION.—Section 925(a)(1) of title 18, United
14 States Code, is amended—

15 (A) by striking “or any State” and insert-
16 ing “, any State”; and

17 (B) by inserting before the period at the
18 end the following: “, or any Indian Tribe (as
19 defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Deter-
20 mination and Education Assistance Act (25
21 U.S.C. 5304)) or any department or agency
22 thereof”.

23 (b) AMENDMENTS TO INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF
24 1986.—

1 (1) TRANSFER TAX EXEMPTION.—Section
2 5853(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
3 amended by inserting “, Indian Tribe (as defined in
4 section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-
5 cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304))” after “any
6 State”.

7 (2) MAKING TAX EXEMPTION.—Section 5853(b)
8 of such Code is amended by inserting “, Indian
9 Tribe (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-De-
10 termination and Education Assistance Act (25
11 U.S.C. 5304))” after “any State”.

12 (3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
13 by this subsection shall apply to any firearm trans-
14 ferred or made after the date of enactment of this
15 Act.

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