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H. R. 2496

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 2, 2019

Mr. KILMER (for himself, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. COLE, Mr. GALLEGGO, Mr. YOUNG, and Ms. DELBENE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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 Border Crossing
5 Parity Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMERICAN INDIANS BORN IN CANADA OR THE**
2 **UNITED STATES.**

3 Section 289 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
4 (8 U.S.C. 1359) is amended—

5 (1) by inserting after “born in Canada” the fol-
6 lowing: “or the United States”; and

7 (2) by inserting after “but such right shall ex-
8 tend only to persons” the following: “who are mem-
9 bers, or are eligible to be members, of a Federally
10 recognized Indian tribe in the United States or Can-
11 ada, or”.

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