

STATEMENT  
OF  
SENATOR DANIEL K. INOUE  
CHAIRMAN  
COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS  
BEFORE THE  
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HEARING  
ON  
S. 1392 AND S. 1393

The Committee on Indian Affairs meets this morning to receive testimony on two bills – S. 1392, a bill to establish procedures for the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior with respect to tribal recognition; and S. 1393, a bill to provide grants to ensure full and fair participation in certain decisionmaking processes at the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

We are pleased to welcome the sponsors of these measures to the Committee – Senators Dodd and Lieberman.

May I first call upon the Vice Chairman of the Committee, Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell.