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MR. BATTLE (for himself), introduced the following Act.

A BILL

To authorize any Indian Tribe to lease, sell, convey, warrant, or otherwise transfer real property to which that Indian Tribe holds fee title without the consent of the Federal Government,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House Representative of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. FEDERAL CONSENT NOT REQUIRED FOR REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS BY INDIAN TRIBES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 12 of the Act of June 30, 1834 ([25 U.S.C. 177](#); 4 Stat. 730), an Indian Tribe may lease, sell, convey, warrant, or otherwise transfer, in whole or in part, any real property and any interest in any real property to which the Indian Tribe holds fee title without the consent of the Federal Government.

(b) TRUST LAND NOT AFFECTED.—Nothing in this section—

(1) authorizes an Indian Tribe to lease, sell, convey, warrant, or otherwise transfer, in whole or in part, any real property or any interest in any real property that is held in trust by the United States for the benefit of an Indian Tribe; or

(2) affects the operation of any law governing leasing, selling, conveying, warranting, or otherwise transferring any interest in any real property that is held in trust by the United States for the benefit of an Indian Tribe.

(c) INDIAN TRIBE DEFINED.—For the purposes of this section, the term “Indian Tribe” has the meaning given the term “Indian tribe” in section 102 of the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994 ([25 U.S.C. 5130](#)).

(Credit to Representative Harriet M which inspires the contents of this bill, with modifications made by myself)