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History and Final Disposition

LD 906 / HP0662

An Act To Provide Passamaquoddy Tribal Members Access to Clean Drinking Water.
Presented by Representative NEWELL of the Passamaquoddy Tribe. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. Public Hearings 05/04/21, 02/17/22. (OTP-AM) Report A Accepted 04/13/22. Amended by: CA H-984. Carried Over: 07/19/21. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 04/21/22, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 650.

Original Bill

[LD 906 \(130th Legis. 2021\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

[LD 906 / PL 2021, c. 650](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

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[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(05/04/2021\)](#)

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New Drafts and Amendments

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[Amendment CB \(H-0985\) \(LD 906 2022\)](#)

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[Amendment SA/CA \(S-0574\) \(LD 906 2022\)](#)

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News Articles

Bill for safe drinking water access tabled (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 5/14/2021, p. 27)
● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Clip21350.pdf)

Tribal rights, sovereignty under legislative scrutiny (Douglas Rooks) (Portland Phoenix, 2/23/2022, p. 5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Portland Phoenix 220223A.pdf)

Tribal bills topic of legislative hearings (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 2/11/2022, p. 17) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Clip22073.pdf)

Bill would allow tribe to tap into Perry aquifer for drinking water (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 2/25/2022, p. 1, 21) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Quoddy Tides 220225B.pdf)

Tribe seeks more control over district that supplies its water (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 4/12/2022, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/PPH 220412A.pdf)

Passamaquoddy call on Governor Mills to drop opposition to LD 906- support clean drinking water (Machias Valley News Observer, 4/14/2022, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Machias Valley News Observer 220413C.pdf)

Tribal water bill one step closer to potential veto fight (Penelope Overton) (Portland Press Herald, 4/14/2022, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/PPH 220414B.pdf)

Passamaquoddy clean water bill secures strong bipartisan backing (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 4/13/2022, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/PPH 220413C.pdf)

Legislative panel splits over tribe's drinking water bill (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 3/25/2022, p. 1, 23) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Quoddy Tides 220325C.pdf)

House backs letting tribe run water supply (Caitlin Andrews) (Bangor Daily News, 4/13/2022, p. B1, B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/BDN 220413H.pdf)

Give tribe control over its drinking water (Editorial) (Portland Press Herald, 4/15/2022, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/PPH 220415C.pdf)

Mills signs bill to give Passamaquoddy Tribe access to cleaner water (Dennis Hoey) (Portland Press Herald, 4/22/2022, p. B2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/PPH 220422D.pdf)

Passamaquoddy water bill gets strong support in state Senate (Michael Shepherd) (Bangor Daily News, 4/14/2022, p. A1) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/BDN 220414A.pdf)

Bill on Passamaquoddy water goes to Mills (The Associated Press) (Bangor Daily News, 4/15/2022, p. A10) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/BDN 220415I.pdf)

A behind-the-scenes look at tribal bills in Augusta (Caitlin Andrews) (Bangor Daily News, 4/20/2022, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/BDN 220420C.pdf)

Tribal bills still pending as session's end nears (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 4/20/2022, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/PPH 220420C.pdf)

Pressure builds on Mills- Allow rights of tribes to expand (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 4/21/2022, p. A1, A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/PPH 220421B.pdf)

Tribes now garner strong support in state - Water legislation signed into law (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 4/22/2022, p. 1, 24) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Quoddy Tides 220422C.pdf)

Maine tribes vow to keep up sovereignty fight (David Sharp) (Bangor Daily News, 4/28/2022, p. A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/BDN 220428D.pdf)

Tribes, state make important progress (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 4/30/2022, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/BDN 220430E.pdf)

Tribal sovereignty bill stalls as gaming, water measures pass (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 5/13/2022, p. 2, 4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD09xx/nc130-LD-0906/Clip22234.pdf)

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