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August 18, 1943

To J. A. Mossman, Finance Commissioner
Re: Rentals to Penobscot Tribe of Indians

Reference is to your memorandum of August 7th relative to sums received from rent of shores and islands belonging to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

The Appropriations Act provision that income from trust funds of the Indian Tribes shall be credited to general funds and that the appropriations for Indian Tribes shall be in lieu of all other income is in effect a modification of the provisions of Section 278, Chapter 1 of the Public Laws of 1933. The intent of the legislature is clear, and it is the opinion of this department that the custom of crediting receipts from these shore rentals to the general funds is correct.

Frank A. Farrington
Deputy Attorney General

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