

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Taylor of South Portland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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### **AN ACT Transferring Indian Affairs to Governor and Council.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 322, amended.** The last 2 sentences of section 322 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes are repealed as follows:

~~'The commissioner is authorized to create within the department a division of Indian Affairs and to appoint, subject to the Personal laws, a director thereof. All duties and powers hereinafter given the commissioner relating to Indians may be delegated to the director.'~~

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 25, §§ 322-A - 322-B, additional.** Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections, to be numbered 322-A and 322-B, to read as follows:

**'Sec. 322-A. Agents, appointment, tenure; vacancies.** Agents for the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Tribes of Indians shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, and hold their office during the pleasure of the Governor and Council. Vacancies shall be filled by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council, but there shall never be more than 3 agents for each tribe.

**Sec. 322-B. Duties of agents.** The agents shall have the care and management of the property belonging to the tribes for their benefit. Each of said agents shall at least once in 6 months visit each Indian reservation within his agency limits where Indians reside, and incorporate into his reports the dates of such visits and the condition in which he found the Indians on each reservation at each visit.'