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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 733 House of Representatives, February 4, 1965 Referred to Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Whittier of Farmington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Clarifying the Education of Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indian Children.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, § 4774, amended. The 3rd sentence from the end of section 4774 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Whenever it shall be shown that any of the children of the Penobscot tribe of Indians living on the reservation shall have completed the course of study for elementary schools as prescribed or shall have passed the examination prepared by the Commissioner of Education for entrance into high school, such children shall be granted entrance to any high school in this State, to which said children may apply under the same conditions as pupils residing in towns that do not maintain a free high school, as provided in Title 20, section 1291, except that such tuition for such pupils shall be paid by the department from Indian funds.'

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 22, § 4774, amended. The last sentence of section 4774 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Tuition likewise for the children of the Penobscot tribe of Indians living on the reservation who attend the elementary schools of any city or town in this State shall be paid to said city or town by the department in similar manner and based on the average cost per pupil in the year preceding that for which tuition is paid and the tuition rates shall be determined by the formula prescribed in Title 20, section 1292 for secondary schools.'

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 22, § 4838, amended. The last sentence of section 4838 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Tuition likewise for the children of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians living on the reservation who attend the elementary schools of any city or town in this State shall be paid to said city or town by the department in similar manner and based on the average cost per pupil in the year preceding that for which tuition is paid and the tuition rates shall be determined by the formula prescribed in Title 20, section 1292 for secondary schools.'