

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 702**

H. P. 531

House of Representatives, February 6, 1969

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Tyndale of Kennebunkport.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-NINE

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### AN ACT Relating to Education of Indians.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, § 1452, amended.** Section 1452 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 450 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

Any member of the Penobscot Tribe residing on the Penobscot Reservation, or of the Passamaquoddy Tribes of Indians residing within the State, over the age of 16, who is not in attendance at any public school and who has not completed grade 12, may apply for admission to any vocational, high-school-diploma, high-school-equivalency, or other educational program or institution which meets educational standards of the State Department of Education or other appropriate state agency.

If accepted in such program or institution, the State Department of Education shall pay in full the costs of tuition, fees, books and supplies required by such program or institution for each such tribal member.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Education, Division of Instruction, the sum of \$5,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. Any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall not lapse, but shall be carried forward. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1969-70	1970-71
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF		
Division of Instruction		
All Other	\$2,500	\$2,500

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

This Act will provide scholarship funds for adult Indians not enrolled in school and not possessing a high school diploma. At the present time, there are no resources to assist such persons when they desire to continue their education and are in financial need.