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## 120th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## **SECOND REGULAR SESSION-2002**

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H.P. 1443

House of Representatives, December 20, 2001

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An Act Regarding the Repatriation of Native American Remains.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 17, 2001. Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative SOCTOMAH of the Passamaquoddy Tribe. Cosponsored by Representatives: COTE of Lewiston, GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, HAWES of Standish, LORING of the Penobscot Nation, McKEE of Wayne, TWOMEY of Biddeford.

Be	it	enacted	by	the	People	of	the	State	of	Maine	as	follows	5:
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Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2842-B, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 738, Pt. C, §5, is repealed and the following enacting in its place:

#### \$2842-B. Indian human remains

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8 <u>All Indian human remains that come into the possession of any private person must be transferred to the intertribal</u>
10 <u>repatriation organization that is appointed by the Passamaquoddy Tribe, Penobscot Nation, Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and</u>
12 <u>Aroostook Band of Micmacs for reburial.</u>

### 14 SUMMARY

This bill provides that all Indian human remains that come into the possession of any private person must be transferred to the intertribal repatriation organization that is appointed by the Passamaquoddy Tribe, Penobscot Nation, Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and Aroostook Band of Micmacs for reburial.