

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)



121st MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION-2004

Legislative Document

No. 1732

H.P. 1254

House of Representatives, December 22, 2003

An Act To Honor Maine's First Peoples

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, 2003. Referred to the Committee on Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

Millicent M. MacFarland
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

Presented by Representative MOORE of the Passamaquoddy Tribe.
Cosponsored by Senator EDMONDS of Cumberland and
Representatives: Speaker COLWELL of Gardiner, DUNLAP of Old Town, DUPLESSIE of
Westbrook, LORING of the Penobscot Nation, PERRY of Calais, SIMPSON of Auburn,
USHER of Westbrook, Senator: SHOREY of Washington.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §456-C** is enacted to read:

6 **§456-C. Wabanaki registration plates**

8 Beginning November 1, 2005, the Secretary of State shall
10 issue Wabanaki registration plates pursuant to section 468 to
12 members of federally recognized tribes in the State pursuant to
14 this section.

16 **1. Wabanaki registration plates.** The Secretary of State,
18 upon receiving an application and evidence of payment of the
20 registration fee required by section 501, the excise tax required
22 by Title 36, section 1482, a statement signed by a tribal
24 official from a federally recognized tribe within the Wabanaki
26 Confederacy proving the applicant's membership in the tribe and
28 the administration fee pursuant to subsection 2, shall issue a
30 registration certificate and a set of Wabanaki registration
32 plates to be used in lieu of regular registration plates. These
34 plates must bear identification numbers and letters and the word
36 "Wabanaki."

38 **2. Administration fee.** An application for Wabanaki
40 registration plates must be accompanied by an administrative fee
42 of \$20, which is credited by the Secretary of State to the
44 Specialty License Plate Fund as established in section 469 for
46 administrative and production costs.

48 **3. Renewal fee.** In addition to the regular motor vehicle
50 registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal
52 contribution for Wabanaki registration plates is \$20, which is
54 credited to the Specialty License Plate Fund established in
56 section 469 for administrative and production costs.

58 **SUMMARY**

60 This bill authorizes the issuance of a special registration
62 plate for motor vehicles for members of federally recognized
64 tribes in Maine.