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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 701 House of Representatives, March 13, 1931.

Reported by Mr. Davis from Committee on Indian Affairs
and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THIRTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

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

Section 1. Section eleven of chapter seventeen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 11. Tribal committee chosen annually; membership. A tribal committee of the Penobscot tribe of Indians shall be chosen annually in the month of November to consist of twelve members of said tribe. No member of said committee shall be less than twenty-one years of age. The said members shall be chosen at a meeting held as hereinafter provided.'

Sec. 2. Section twelve of chapter seventeen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "Meeting of each of said parties" in the first line, and inserting in place thereof the words 'A meeting,' and by striking out the last sentence of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Whenever any vacancy occurs in said committee the agent shall call a meeting of the tribe to fill such vacancy,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 12. Meetings for election of committee; certificates of election; vacancies. A meeting for the election of members of said committee shall be called by the agent of said tribe, who shall give notice thereof in the same manner as notice of the meeting for the election of governor of said tribe is re-

quired to be given; and at such meeting said agent or some person appointed in writing by him shall preside, who shall receive, sort, count, and declare in open meeting the vote given in for members of said committee. The said agent shall issue certificates of election to the persons thus elected, who shall hold office as such members, until a new election is had, unless their term of office is sooner terminated by resignation or by ceasing to be members of said tribe. Whenever any vacancy occurs in said committee, the agent shall call a meeting of the tribe to fill such vacancy.'