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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

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

P. L., 1933, c. 1, § 283, amended. Section 283 of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 283. Forest commissioner may sell timber on Indian township; surveyor to be sworn. The forest commissioner ~~department~~ may sell to the best advantage, at public or private sale, to a citizen of the state, the timber and grass from township numbered 2 on the St. Croix river, ~~usually~~ called the Indian township, ~~to the amount of \$1,000 annually, and may in any year sell such larger amount as the governor, with the advice and consent of his council, shall approve;~~ expressly retaining in the written contract of sale a lien on the timber and grass cut, until the amount due for stumpage thereon is paid. Every surveyor appointed by said forest commissioner ~~department~~ to scale or survey the lumber so sold, before entering on his duties, shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his trust, and shall file a certificate of his oath with the agent. The net proceeds from such sales shall be set up in the state treasury as an improvement fund for the reservations of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians to be expended with the approval and under the direction of the depart-

ment of health and welfare; provided, that in the event the balance in said improvement fund shall at any time exceed the sum of \$10,000 the excess over \$10,000 shall be added to the permanent trust funds of said tribe.'