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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Clements of Belfast by request

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Census of Penobscot Indians.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 353, amended. Section 353 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

‘Sec. 353. Census of Penobscot Indians; annual meeting; notices; persons entitled to membership to be reported; correction of lists; compensation. An accurate census of the Penobscot tribe shall be taken early each January by the ~~tribal committee~~ **governor and his council** upon the best information which they can obtain, as hereinafter provided, stating, as nearly as may be, the name, sex and age of each Indian as it existed on the 1st day of such January, each family by itself. On or before the 10th day of January, annually, the original, certified under oath, shall be delivered to the agent, and a copy thereof to the governor of said tribe for their use. On the 1st Wednesday of January, annually the said ~~committee~~ **governor and his council** shall hold a meeting with said tribe on Old Town Indian Island, for receiving information from such of the tribe as may attend, as to the membership of the tribe, the identity of persons, and the correctness of names; due notice in writing of the time and place of which meeting shall be given by said ~~committee~~ **governor and his council**. ~~At said meeting 5 of said tribal committee shall constitute a quorum thereof; and on~~

On said 1st Wednesday of January annually, the names of all persons entitled to membership under the provisions of section 324 shall be reported by the ~~tribal committee~~ **governor and his council** to the person authorized by law to take the census of said tribe, and shall thereupon be placed on the census roll.

Corrections of the list, by reason of births, deaths or omissions, may, as they come to the knowledge of the ~~committee~~ **council**, be certified to the ~~agent~~ **commissioner**, and he shall correct his list accordingly. ~~This list, so corrected, shall, with his account, be returned to the department~~ A reasonable compensation shall be paid to the tribal ~~committee~~ **council** by the ~~agent~~ **commissioner** and charged ~~in~~ **to** his account, and allowed and paid to him out of the state treasury.'