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procedure before said court shall be that prescribed by it in the particular proceeding or by its rules, if any, applicable thereto and pending final determination by the court, the chief justice thereof, or in his absence any other justice, may enjoin or stay the effect of such ruling or order upon such terms and conditions as he may deem proper. Such petition shall be filed with the clerk of the law court in the county of Kennebec and a copy thereof with the clerk of the commission both within 30 days after the date of the said ruling or order or within such further time as the court may allow together with a certificate that the attorney for the petitioner is of opinion that there is such probable ground for the appeal as to make it a fit subject for judicial inquiry and that it is not intended for delay; and double costs shall be assessed by the court upon any such party whose petition shall appear to the court not to be a fit subject for judicial inquiry or shall appear to be intended for delay.'

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Chapter 378

AN ACT Creating a Division of Indian Affairs.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 308, amended. Section 308 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof 2 new sentences to read as follows:

'The commissioner is authorized to create within the department a division of Indian affairs and to appoint, subject to the personnel laws, a director thereof. All duties and powers hereinafter given the commissioner relating to Indians may be delegated to the director.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, §§ 309, 310, repealed. Sections 309 and 310 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. Amendatory clause. Wherever the words "agent", "Indian agent" or any of several similar phrases appear in the statutes pertaining to Indians they shall be stricken out and the word 'commissioner' shall be substituted.

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