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Chapter 164

AN ACT Relating to Inventory of Ballots Furnished Polling Places.

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

R. S., T. 21, § 926, sub-§ 2, amended. Subsection 2 of section 926 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end the following:

The total number of used ballots, unused ballots, spoiled ballots, defective ballots and absentee ballots shall equal the number of ballots furnished by the Secretary of State to the municipal clerk, less the number of absentee ballots issued to voters and not returned.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 165

AN ACT to Regulate Boating on Little Nesowadnehunk (Sourdnahunk) Lake, Piscataquis County.

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

R. S., T. 38, § 243, additional. Title 38 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 243, to read as follows:

§ 243. Nesowadnehunk (Sourdnahunk) Lake

No person shall operate any boat or canoe, propelled by motor on Little Nesowadnehunk (Sourdnahunk) Lake, in T. 5, R. 11, Piscataquis County.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 166

AN ACT Relating to Biennial Elections of Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

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

R. S., T. 22, § 4792, amended. Section 4792 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 4792. Biennial elections

Biennially, on the even-numbered years, on the first and Tuesday of September, the Penobscot Indians shall hold their election for the choice of governor and lieutenant governor of said tribe, and a representative at the Legislature of this State, and a tribal committee council to consist of 12 members of said tribe, each of whom must be at least 21 years of age. The governor shall preside over all meetings of the committee council and be a member ex officio. In the absence

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of the governor, the lieutenant governor shall preside. Seven members of said council shall constitute a quorum thereof for the purpose of conducting the affairs of the tribe and exercising its powers and for all other purposes, notwithstanding the existence of any vacancies. Only certified members of the tribe who are 21 years of age or older shall be eligible to vote. The commissioner shall give notice of the time and place, 7 days before said day of election, by posting notices thereof, one at his office and one in some conspicuous place on Old Town Island. Said commissioner shall receive, sort and count the votes given in at said election, in presence of the members of the tribe, and shall give to those elected certificates thereof. All persons so elected shall hold office for 2 years commencing on the first day of October on the even-numbered years beginning October 1, 1968, or until their successors are elected. Whenever any vacancy occurs the commissioner shall call a meeting of the tribe to fill such vacancy. Vacancies shall be filled through appointment by the tribal governor, with the advice and consent of the tribal council, with preference first given to unsuccessful candidates in the previous election, in descending order of the number of votes cast for such candidates.

On the first Tuesday of August biennially on the even-numbered years, the Penobscot Indians shall hold a caucus for the purpose of nominating candidates to be elected as provided in this section. Such caucus shall have the right to establish, by majority vote, rules for the conduct of the following tribal election, providing that such rules do not violate the constitutional rights of any person.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 167

AN ACT Relating to Biennial Elections of Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

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

R. S., T. 22, § 4831, amended. Section 4831 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 4831. Biennial elections

Biennially on the even-numbered years, on the first Tuesday of November following Labor Day in September, the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians shall hold their election for the choice of governor and lieutenant governor of each reservation of said tribe, a representative at the Legislature of this State and a tribal committee council to consist of 6 members of said tribe from each reservation, all of whom must be at least 21 years of age. The representative at the Legislature of this State shall be chosen alternately between the 2 reservations. Only certified members of the tribe who are 21 years of age or older shall be eligible to vote. The governors shall preside over all meetings of the committee council and be a member ex officio. In the absence of the governor, the lieutenant governor shall preside. Four members of such council from each reservation shall constitute a quorum thereof for the purpose of conducting the affairs of the tribe on each reservation and exercising its powers and for all other purposes, notwithstanding the existence of any vacancies. At joint meetings of the tribal councils from both reservations, a total of 7 council members shall constitute a quorum, with at least 3 members being present from one reservation. The com-