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LD 2007 / HP1287

Original Title: An Act to Advance Self-determination for Wabanaki Nations. New Title: An Act Regarding the Criminal Jurisdiction of Tribal Courts and to Extend the Time for the Penobscot Nation to Certify Its Agreement to Public Law 2023, Chapter 369. Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. Public Hearing 02/26/24. (OTP-AM) Report A Accepted 04/09/24. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) H-910. Carried Over: 07/26/23. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 04/22/24, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 647.

Original Bill

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Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

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New Drafts and Amendments

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Cross References

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[PL 1989, c. 148 \(LD 272\)](#)

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News Articles

Treat Wabanaki fairly (Alex Silver) (Bangor Daily News, 6/26/2023, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD20xx/nc131-LD-2007/BDN 230626B.pdf)

Do right for the health of Native Americans in Maine (Clifford Rosen) (Portland Press Herald, 7/11/2023, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD20xx/nc131-LD-2007/PPH 230711B.pdf)

Bill would let tribes benefit from federal laws (Edward French) (Quoddy Tides, 7/12/2023, p. 1, 21) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD20xx/nc131-LD-2007/Clip23270.pdf)

Maine House speaker airs new tribal rights measure (Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 2/26/2024, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD20xx/nc131-LD-2007/BDN 240224A.pdf)

Maine tribes, Mills close in on deal to avoid another sovereignty veto (Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 2/27/2024, p. B6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD20xx/nc131-LD-2007/BDN 240227I.pdf)

Lawmakers trying again to restore Maine tribes' sovereignty (Rachel Ohm) (Portland Press Herald, 2/27/2024, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD20xx/nc131-LD-2007/PPH 240227B.pdf)

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