Joint Resolution

Granting the consent of the Congress to the Red River Boundary Compact.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. CONGRESSIONAL CONSENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The consent of Congress is given to the Red River Compact entered into between the States of Texas and Oklahoma and the new boundary established by the compact.

(b) NEW COMPACT.—The compact referred to in subsection (a) sets the boundary between the States of Texas and Oklahoma as the vegetation line on the south bank of the Red River (except for the Texoma area where the boundary is established pursuant to procedures provided for in the compact) and is the compact—

(1) agreed to by the State of Texas in House Bill 1355 approved by the Governor of Texas on May 24, 1999; and

(2) agreed to by the State of Oklahoma in Senate Bill 175 approved by the Governor of Oklahoma on June 4, 1999.

(c) COMPACT.—The Acts referred to in subsection (b) are recognized by Congress as an interstate compact pursuant to section 10 of Article I of the United States Constitution.

(d) CONSTRUCTION.—The compact shall not in any manner alter—

(1) any present or future rights and interests of the Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache Tribes, the Chickasaw Nation, and the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and their members or Indian successors-in interest;

(2) any tribal trust lands;

(3) allotted lands that may be held in trust or lands subject to a Federal restriction against alienation;

(4) any boundaries of lands owned by the tribes and nations referred to in paragraph (1), including lands referred to in paragraphs (2) and (3), that exist now or that may be established in the future under Federal law; and

(5) the sovereign rights, jurisdiction, or other governmental interests of the Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache Tribes, the Chickasaw Nation, and the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and their members or Indian successors-in interest presently existing or which may be acknowledged by Federal and tribal law.

SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This joint resolution shall take effect on August 31, 2000.


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