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[CHAPTER 778]

AN ACT

August 23, 1950
[H. R. 2121]
[Public Law 727]

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey abandoned school properties in the Territory of Alaska to local school officials.

Alaska.
Conveyance of certain school properties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to convey to local town or city officials or to school authorities in the Territory of Alaska, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to any parcel or tract of land and the improvements thereon for school or other public purposes whenever he shall determine that such land and improvements are no longer required by the Alaska Native Service for school purposes: *Provided*, That any conveyance made pursuant to this Act shall be subject to all valid existing rights and claims, shall reserve to the United States all mineral deposits in the lands and the right to prospect for and remove the deposits under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, and shall provide that the lands and improvements conveyed shall be used for school or other public purposes only and that the school facilities maintained thereon or therein shall be available to all of the native children of the town, city, or other school district concerned on the same terms as to other children of such town, city, or district. The Secretary of the Interior, if at any time he determines that the grantee of any such lands and improvements has violated or failed to observe the foregoing provisions and that such violation or failure has continued for a period of at least one year, may declare a forfeiture of the grant. Such determination by the Secretary shall be final, and thereupon the lands and improvements covered thereby shall revert to the United States and become a part of the public domain subject to administration and disposal under the public land laws.

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[CHAPTER 780]

AN ACT

August 25, 1950
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To provide for disposition of lands on the Cabazon, Augustine, and Torres-Martinez Indian Reservations in California, and for other purposes.

Designated Indian Reservations, Calif.
Restricted lands for irrigation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, shall designate the restricted Indian lands on the Cabazon, Augustine, and Torres-Martinez Indian Reservations which may be irrigated from facilities of the Coachella Valley County Water District of Riverside County, California, and may enter into an appropriate contract with the said water district whereby the Secretary, acting on behalf of the United States, for the benefit of said restricted Indian lands, may assume an obligation to pay or guarantee payment to said water district of all costs and charges made by said district on account of the construction, operation, and maintenance of the works and facilities required for the delivery of water to such lands to the same extent as other lands of the district shall be charged therefor. There is hereby created a recordable first lien against the Indian lands for the amounts assessed thereagainst but such lien shall not be enforced during the period the lands remain in Indian ownership. The annual appropriation of such amounts as may be necessary to make payment to the said water district of the costs and charges herein provided for is hereby authorized out of any money in the United States Treasury not otherwise appropriated. The payments made to the said water

First lien.

Appropriation authorized.