Public Law 90-584

AN ACT

October 17, 1968
[S. 3227]

To provide for the disposition of funds appropriated to pay a judgment in favor of the Southern Paiute Nation of Indians in Indian Claims Commission dockets numbered 88, 330, and 330-A, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of disposing of the sum of $7,253,165.19 appropriated April 30, 1965 (79 Stat. 81, 108, 109), to pay a judgment of the Indian Claims Commission entered in its dockets numbered 88, 330, and 330-A on January 18, 1965, on behalf of the Southern Paiute Nation, the bands and groups of Southern Paiute Indians named in the petitions and the Las Vegas Band, together with interest accruing thereon, the Secretary of the Interior shall prepare a roll of all persons who meet the following requirements for eligibility: (a) they were born on or prior to and living on the date of this Act and are (b) enrolled or entitled to be enrolled as members of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians of the Kaibab Reservation, Arizona, or (c) enrolled or entitled to be enrolled as members of the Moapa Band of Paiute Indians of the Moapa River Reservation, Nevada, or (d) whose names or the name of a lineal ancestor appears on the final rolls of the Shivwits, Kanosh, Koosharem, and Indian Peaks Bands of Paiute Indians which were prepared pursuant to the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1099), or (e) Southern Paiute Indians whose names or the name of a lineal ancestor appears on the January 1, 1940, census roll of the Cedar City, Utah, Indians, or (f) Southern Paiute Indians whose names or the name of a lineal ancestor appears on the January 1, 1940, census roll of the Las Vegas Colony, Nevada, or (g) Indians living elsewhere who can establish Southern Paiute lineal descent to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided, however*, That no enrollee shall have elected or shall elect to participate in the judgment awarded by the Indian Claims Commission in its dockets numbered 31, 37, 80, 80-D, and 347, granted to "Certain Indians of California" or in dockets numbered 351 and 351-A granted to the Chemehuevi Tribe of Indians. Any person qualifying for enrollment as a member of more than one of the named Indian groups shall elect with which group he shall be enrolled for the purpose of this Act.

Indians.
Southern Paiute Nation.
Judgment funds, disposition.

25 USC 741-760.

SEC. 2. Applications for enrollment must be filed with the Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Phoenix, Arizona, in the manner and within the time limits prescribed by the Secretary for that purpose. The Secretary's determination on all applications for enrollment shall be final.

Applications.

SEC. 3. The cost of preparing the Southern Paiute Indian roll, and of disposing of the judgment funds, and the deduction of attorneys' fees and expenses and the cost of litigation, shall be deducted from the judgment fund. The balance of said fund, together with accrued interest, shall be apportioned by the Secretary of the Interior among the groups of persons entitled to enrollment on the Southern Paiute Indian roll as provided in section 1 of this Act. Apportionment among said groups shall be on the ratio that the number of enrollees in each group shall bear to the total number enrolled on the Southern Paiute Indian roll.

Apportionment.

SEC. 4. The total amounts apportioned to the groups enrolled in section 1 (b) and (c) shall be redeposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the respective bands, and may be advanced,

Redeposit and disposition.

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expended, invested, or reinvested in any manner authorized by the governing body and approved by the Secretary.

Equal shares.

SEC. 5. The funds apportioned to those Southern Paiute Indians enrolled under sections 1 (f) and (g) shall be available for distribution in equal shares to the enrollees except as provided in section 6 of this Act.

Minor enrollees, protection.

SEC. 6. Sums payable to enrollees or their heirs or legatees who are less than twenty-one years of age or who are under a legal disability shall be paid in accordance with such procedures as the Secretary determines will best protect their interests, including the establishment of trusts.

Disposition.

SEC. 7. All funds, including interest, of the adult members of any group enrolled pursuant to sections 1 (d) and (e) of this Act may be advanced, expended, invested, or reinvested in any manner pursuant to a plan agreed upon between the governing body thereof or by the members thereof, at a meeting called in accordance with rules approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and the Board of Indian Affairs of the State of Utah, subject, however, to the previous approval of such plan by the Secretary of the Interior. However, the Secretary of the Interior shall not be charged with any responsibility in the administration of the funds.

Tax exemption.

SEC. 8. No part of the per capita distributions made under authority of this Act shall be subject to Federal or State income tax.

Rules and regulations.

SEC. 9. The Secretary is authorized to prescribe rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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AN ACT

To provide for the disposition of funds appropriated to pay judgments in favor of the Seminole Tribe of Oklahoma in dockets numbered 150 and 248 of the Indian Claims Commission, and for other purposes.

Indians.
Seminole Tribe.
Judgment funds, disposition.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the unexpended balance of the funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Seminole Tribe of Oklahoma that were appropriated by the Act of September 29, 1959 (73 Stat. 717), to pay a judgment by the Indian Claims Commission in docket numbered 150, and by the Act of May 13, 1966 (80 Stat. 141), to pay a judgment by the Indian Claims Commission in docket numbered 248, and any interest thereon, less payment of attorneys' fees and expenses, together with those school funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States under the following symbols and titles:

14X7091 Seminole school fund.

14X7591 Interest and accruals on interest, Seminole school fund, may be advanced, expended, invested, or reinvested for any purpose that is authorized by the General Council of the Seminole Tribe of Oklahoma or other recognized governing body of that tribe and approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to prescribe rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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