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An Act

Aug. 1, 1980
[S. 2508]

To provide for the disposition of the Gila River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community judgment funds awarded in dockets 236-A, 236-B, and 236-E before the Indian Claims Commission and the United States Court of Claims, and for other purposes.

Gila River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community; judgment funds, distribution.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the funds appropriated on May 4, 1977 (91 Stat. 61), in satisfaction of the judgment granted to the Gila River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community in dockets 236-A and 236-B before the Indian Claims Commission and on April 23, 1979, in docket 236-E before the United States Court of Claims, less attorney fees and litigation expenses, and including all interest and investment income accrued, shall be used and distributed as provided herein.

Investment of funds.

SEC. 2. (a) The Secretary of the Interior shall invest the principal sum of funds in all dockets pursuant to the provisions of the first section of the Act of June 24, 1938 (25 U.S.C. 162a). The interest and investment income accrued shall be immediately available to the Gila River Indian Community upon the approval by the Secretary of the Interior of the community's plan of operation and budget as set forth in Gila River Indian Community Resolution Numbered GR-100-79, adopted August 1, 1979, as follows:

(1) 50 per centum of such interest and income resulting from dockets 236-A and 236-B shall be used as operational costs of the Gila River Indian Community; and

(2) 50 per centum of such interest and income resulting from dockets 236-A and 236-B shall be distributed to the seven community districts, prorated on the basis of current population at the time such distributions are made and shall be used for the general district government operations and programs.

(b) All of the accrued interest and income from docket 236-E shall be used as operational costs of the Gila River Indian Community. After the date of enactment of this Act all interest and investment income accrued from dockets 236-A, 236-B, and 236-E shall be advanced quarterly and utilized as provided in this subsection and paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of this section.

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SEC. 3. The Gila River Indian Community may utilize portions of the principal funds referred to in section 2 of this Act in connection with programs proposed by the Gila River tribal governing body on a budgetary basis which has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Approved August 1, 1980.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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July 21, H.R. 7249 considered and passed House; passage vacated and S. 2508 passed in lieu.