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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 1, 1999

Mr. WELLSTONE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. INCOME EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL ASSISTANCE**

4 **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.**

5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of
6 the funds paid by the State of Minnesota to the Bois Forte
7 Band of Chippewa Indians and the Grand Portage Band

1 of Chippewa Indians pursuant to the agreement of such
2 Bands' to voluntarily restrict tribal rights to hunt and fish
3 in territory ceded under the Treaty of September 30, 1854
4 (10 Stat. 1109), including all interest accrued on such
5 funds during any period in which such funds are held in
6 a minors' trust, shall not be considered as income or re-
7 sources, or otherwise be used as the basis for denying or
8 reducing the financial assistance or other benefits to which
9 a household or member of such Bands would be entitled
10 to under the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301 et seq.),
11 the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Rec-
12 onciliation Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–193; 110 Stat.
13 2105) and the amendments made by such Act, or any Fed-
14 eral or Federally assisted program.

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