

Public Law 90-307

AN ACT

May 17, 1968
[H. R. 11527]

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release on behalf of the United States conditions in a deed conveying certain lands to the University of Maine and to provide for conveyance of certain interests in such lands so as to permit such university, subject to certain conditions, to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of such lands.

University of
Maine.
Land convey-
ance.
50 Stat. 526;
56 Stat. 725.

Proceeds of
sale, conditions.

Mineral inter-
ests, determina-
tion and sale.

Conveyance
deposit.

"Administrative
costs."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of section 32 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1011(c)), the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to release on behalf of the United States with respect to lands designated pursuant to section 2 hereof, the conditions, contained in a deed, dated March 4, 1955, conveying certain lands in Penobscot County, Maine, to the University of Maine, which require that the lands conveyed be used for public purposes and provide for a reversion of such lands to the United States if at any time they cease to be so used.

SEC. 2. The Secretary shall release the conditions referred to in the first section of this Act only with respect to lands covered by and described in an agreement or agreements entered into between the Secretary and the university in which the university, in consideration of the release of such conditions as to such lands, agrees—

(1) that all the proceeds from the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of such lands shall be used by the university for the acquisition of lands to be held permanently for university purposes.

(2) that all the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other disposition of lands covered by any such agreement shall be maintained by the university in a separate fund and that the record of all transactions involving such fund shall be open to inspection by the Secretary of Agriculture.

SEC. 3. Upon application all the undivided mineral interests of the United States in any parcel or tract of land released pursuant to this Act from the conditions as to such lands shall be conveyed to the University of Maine or their successors in title by the Secretary of the Interior. In areas where the Secretary of the Interior determines that there is no active mineral development or leasing, and that the lands have no mineral value, the mineral interests covered by a single application shall be sold for a consideration of \$1. In other areas the mineral interests shall be sold at the fair market value thereof as determined by the Secretary of the Interior after taking into consideration such appraisals as he deems necessary or appropriate.

SEC. 4. Each application made under the provisions of this Act shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable deposit to be applied to the administrative costs as fixed by the Secretary of the Interior. If the conveyance is made, the applicant shall pay to the Secretary of the Interior the full administrative costs, less the deposit. If a conveyance is not made pursuant to an application filed under this Act, the deposit shall constitute full satisfaction of such administrative costs notwithstanding that the administrative costs exceed the deposit.

SEC. 5. The term "administrative costs" as used in this Act includes, in addition to other items, all costs which the Secretary of the Interior determines are included in a determination of (1) the mineral character of the land in question, and (2) the fair market value of the mineral interest.

SEC. 6. Amounts paid to the Secretary of the Interior under the provisions of this Act shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts.

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AN ACT

To grant minerals, including oil and gas, on certain lands in the Crow Indian Reservation, Montana, to certain Indians, and for other purposes.

May 17, 1968
[S. 1119]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. 751), as amended by the Act of May 26, 1926 (44 Stat. 658), as further amended by the Act of September 16, 1959 (73 Stat. 565), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Crow Indian
Reservation,
Mont.
Mineral rights.

"SEC. 6. (a) Any and all minerals, including oil and gas, on any of the lands to be allotted hereunder are reserved in perpetuity for the benefit of the members of the tribe in common and may, with the consent of the tribal council be leased for mining purposes in accordance with the provisions of the Act of May 11, 1938 (52 Stat. 347; 25 U.S.C. 396a-f), under such rules, regulations, and conditions as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe: *Provided*, That leases entered into pursuant to section 6 of the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. 751), as amended by the Act of May 26, 1926 (44 Stat. 658), may with the consent of the tribal council and under such rules, regulations, and conditions as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, be renegotiated and amended to change the terms thereof to ten years and as long thereafter as minerals are produced in paying quantities."

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AN ACT

To provide for the observance of the centennial of the signing of the 1868 Treaty of Peace between the Navajo Indian Tribe and the United States.

May 17, 1968
[S. 2745]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is requested (1) to issue a proclamation designating the calendar year 1968 as the centennial of the signing of the 1868 Treaty of Peace between the Navajo Indian Tribe and the United States, and calling upon the Governors of the States, mayors of cities, and other public officials, as well as other persons, organizations, and groups, to observe such centennial by appropriate celebrations and ceremonies and (2) to provide, in such manner as he deems appropriate, for participation by Federal agencies and officials in such observance.

Navajo Indian
Peace treaty.
Centennial.

15 Stat. 667.

SEC. 2. The President of the Senate is authorized to appoint eight Members of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives is authorized to appoint eight Members of the House of Representatives, to represent the Congress in connection with observances and activities of the Navajo Indian Tribe commemorating the historic events that preceded, and are associated with, the signing of the 1868 Treaty of Peace between the Navajo Indian Tribe and the United States.

Observances,
congressional
representatives.

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