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## 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## **SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1996**

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H.P. 1306

House of Representatives, February 15, 1996

An Act to Place Penobscot Land in Trust.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27. Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BISULCA of the Penobscot Nation. Cosponsored by Representatives: BENEDIKT of Brunswick, HICHBORN of Lagrange, JACQUES of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, Senator: RUHLIN of Penobscot.

#### Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 30 MRSA 6205, sub-92, 98, as amended by PL 1991, c. 721, 91 and affected by 92, is further amended to read:

B. The first 150,000 acres of land acquired by the secretary for the benefit of the Penobscot Nation from the following areas or lands to the extent that those lands are acquired by the secretary prior to January 31, 2001, are not held in common with any other person or entity and are certified by the secretary by January 31, 2001, as held for the Penobscot Nation:

The lands of Great Northern Nekoosa Corporation located in T.1, R.8, W.B.K.P. (Lowelltown), T.6, R.1, N.B.K.P. (Holeb), T.2, R.10, W.E.L.S. and T.2, R.9, W.E.L.S.; the land of Raymidga Company located in T.1, R.5, W.B.K.P. (Jim Pond), (King and Bartlett), T.5, R.6, T.4, R.5, B.K.P.W.K.R. B.K.P.W.K.R. and T.3, R.5, B.K.P.W.K.R.; the land of the heirs of David Pingree located in T.6, R.8, W.E.L.S.; any portion of Sugar Island in Moosehead Lake; the lands of Prentiss and Carlisle Company located in T.9, S.D.; any portion of T.24, M.D.B.P.P.; the lands of Bertram C. Tackeff or Northeastern Blueberry Company, Inc. in T.19, M.D.B.P.P.; any portion of T.2, R.8, N.W.P.; any portion of T.2, R.5, W.B.K.P. (Alder Stream); the lands of Dead River Company in T.3, R.9, N.W.P., T.2, R.9, N.W.P., T.5, R.1, N.B.P.P. and T.5, N.D.B.P.P.; any portion of T.3, R.1, N.B.P.P.; any portion of T.3, N.D.; any portion of T.4, N.D.; any portion of T.39, M.D.; any portion of T.40, M.D.; any portion of T.41, M.D.; any portion of T.42, M.D.B.P.P.; the lands of International Corporation, International Company and Lincoln Pulp and Paper Company located in Argyle; any land acquired in Williamsburg T.6, R.8, N.W.P.; any 300 acres in Old Town mutually agreed upon by the City of Old Town and the Penobscot Nation Tribal Government, provided that the mutual agreement must be finalized prior to August 31, 1991; and any lands in Lakeville acquired by the Penobscot Nation before January 1, 1991; and all the property acquired by the Penobscot Indian Nation from Herbert C. Haynes, Jr., Hebert C. Haynes, Inc. and Five Islands Land Corporation located in Township 1, Range 6 W.E.L.S., containing 5,464 acres more or less and that land includes Little Salmon Stream Lake, frontage on Salmon Stream Lake and parts of Mud Brook and Hay Brook.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act does not take effect unless, within 60 days of the adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the 117th Legislature, the Secretary of State receives written notification by the Tribal Council of the Penobscot

Nation that the Penobscot Nation has agreed to the provisions of this Act pursuant to the United States Code, Title 25, Section 1725(e)(1), copies of which must be submitted by the Secretary of State to the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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### STATEMENT OF FACT

Township 1, Range 6, W.E.L.S. and the Penobscot Nation wish to place in "trust status," land owned by the Penobscot Nation that was acquired by quit claim deeds from Herbert C. Haynes, Jr., Herbert C. Haynes, Inc. and Five Islands Land Corporation.

This land is approximately 5,464 acres. Under the terms of the Act to Implement the Maine Indian Claims Settlement, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30, section 6205, subsection 5, this conversion needs the express consent of the Maine Legislature, the legislative body of the town and the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission.