[CHAPTER 567]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to exchange certain Navajo tribal Indian land for certain Utah State land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative is authorized, with the consent of the governing body of the Navajo Indian Tribe, to exchange the surface rights in Navajo tribal Indian land described as the south half southwest quarter section 24; northwest quarter, northeast quarter, southeast quarter, and north half southwest quarter section 25, township 43 south, range 15 east, S. L. B. & M., containing six hundred and forty acres, more or less, for the surface rights in land of the State of Utah described as all of section 32, township 43 south, range 16 east, S. L. B. M., all in San Juan County, Utah. Title to the Indian land exchanged shall be transferred by the Secretary of the Interior to the State of Utah by the issuance of a patent in fee. Title to the State lands to be conveyed to the Indians shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the Navajo and such other Indians as the Secretary of the Interior may see fit to settle thereon, and shall be satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 2. In the event the lands acquired by the State of Utah under the provisions of this Act shall be used for airport purposes, members of the Navajo Tribe of Indians shall be given preference in employment in every phase of construction, operation, and maintenance of the airport for which they are qualified, notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained in the Federal Airport Act of May 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 170), or any other Act of Congress.

Approved September 7, 1949.

[CHAPTER 574]

AN ACT

Authorizing changes in the classification of Crow Indians.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all Crow Indians born to parent or parents who were or are competent members of the Crow Tribe, shall automatically become competent members of the Crow Tribe on attaining majority (except any such Indian who is declared incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction or who is incompetent under the laws of the State within which he resides), and shall be entitled to all rights and privileges accruing to members of the tribe classified as competent, including all rights and privileges accorded to such competent members by any other Act.

SEC. 2. The Act of March 3, 1931 (46 Stat. 1495), is hereby amended to read as follows: “The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to classify adult unenrolled Crow Indians and add their names to the competent or incompetent rolls established pursuant to the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. 751), and to reclassify those persons whose names now or hereafter appear on said rolls from incompetent to competent.”

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