An Act To Provide State Recognition for the Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians

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Presented by Representative STEARNS of Guilford.
Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.
Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1.  30 MRSA c. 605 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 605

STATE RECOGNITION OF KINEO BAND OF MALISEET INDIANS

§8201. Recognition of Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians

1. Recognition. The Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians is recognized by the State as a Native American tribe.

2. Effect of recognition. Recognition of the Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians may not be construed to create, extend or form the basis of any right or claim to land or real estate in the State or any right to conduct gambling activities prohibited by law. The Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians and the individual members of the band remain subject to all the laws of the State.

SUMMARY

This bill provides for state recognition of the Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians as a Native American tribe. Recognition does not create, extend or form the basis of any right or claim to land or real estate in the State or any right to conduct gambling activities prohibited by law. The Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians and the individual members of the band remain subject to all the laws of the State.