

STATE OF MAINE

In House _____

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Rules be amended by amending Joint Rule 206, subsection 3 to read:

3. Indian Representatives. The member of the Penobscot Nation, the member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe and, at the beginning of the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature, the member of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians elected or appointed to represent their people at each biennial Legislature may sponsor legislation specifically relating to Indians and Indian land claims, may offer floor amendments to this legislation, may cosponsor any other legislation and may sponsor and cosponsor expressions of legislative sentiment in the same manner as other members of the House.

; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Joint Rules be amended by amending Joint Rule 316 to read:

Rule 316. Penobscot Nation, Passamaquoddy Tribe and Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians.

The member of the Penobscot Nation, the member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe and, at the beginning of the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature, the member of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians elected or appointed to represent their people at the biennial session of the Legislature must be granted seats on the floor of the House of Representatives; be granted, by consent of the Speaker, the privilege of speaking on pending legislation; must be appointed to sit with joint standing committees as nonvoting members during the committees' deliberations; and be granted such other rights and privileges as may from time to time be voted by the House of Representatives. In reports from committees on which a tribal member serves, the position of the member must be noted and included.

SPONSORED BY: _____

(Representative CUSHING)

TOWN: Hampden