duties of a tribal liaison officer to meet the needs of the Indian tribes located within the relevant Federal district.

#### (d) Enhanced prosecution of minor crimes

#### (1) In general

Each United States Attorney serving a district that includes Indian country is authorized and encouraged—

- (A) to appoint Special Assistant United States Attorneys pursuant to section 543(a) of title 28 to prosecute crimes in Indian country as necessary to improve the administration of justice, and particularly when—
  - (i) the crime rate exceeds the national average crime rate; or
  - (ii) the rate at which criminal offenses are declined to be prosecuted exceeds the national average declination rate;
- (B) to coordinate with applicable United States district courts regarding scheduling of Indian country matters and holding trials or other proceedings in Indian country, as appropriate;
- (C) to provide to appointed Special Assistant United States Attorneys appropriate training, supervision, and staff support; and
- (D) to provide technical and other assistance to tribal governments and tribal court systems to ensure that the goals of this subsection are achieved.

#### (2) Sense of Congress regarding consultation

It is the sense of Congress that, in appointing Special Assistant United States Attorneys under this subsection, a United States Attorney should consult with tribal justice officials of each Indian tribe that would be affected by the appointment.

(Pub. L. 101–379,  $\S13$ , as added Pub. L. 111–211, title II,  $\S213(b)(1)$ , July 29, 2010, 124 Stat. 2268.)

# §2811. Native American Issues Coordinator

### (a) Establishment

There is established in the Executive Office for United States Attorneys of the Department of Justice a position to be known as the "Native American Issues Coordinator".

# (b) Duties

The Native American Issues Coordinator shall—

- (1) coordinate with the United States Attorneys that have authority to prosecute crimes in Indian country;
- (2) coordinate prosecutions of crimes of national significance in Indian country, as determined by the Attorney General;
- (3) coordinate as necessary with other components of the Department of Justice and any relevant advisory groups to the Attorney General or the Deputy Attorney General; and
- (4) carry out such other duties as the Attorney General may prescribe.

(Pub. L. 101–379, §14, as added Pub. L. 111–211, title II, §214(b), July 29, 2010, 124 Stat. 2271.)

# § 2812. Indian Law and Order Commission

### (a) Establishment

There is established a commission to be known as the Indian Law and Order Commission

(referred to in this section as the "Commission").

### (b) Membership

### (1) In general

The Commission shall be composed of 9 members, of whom—

- (A) 3 shall be appointed by the President, in consultation with—
  - (i) the Attorney General; and
  - (ii) the Secretary;
- (B) 2 shall be appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, in consultation with the Chairpersons of the Committees on Indian Affairs and the Judiciary of the Senate;
- (C) 1 shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, in consultation with the Vice Chairperson and Ranking Member of the Committees on Indian Affairs and the Judiciary of the Senate;
- (D) 2 shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in consultation with the Chairpersons of the Committees on the Judiciary and Natural Resources of the House of Representatives; and
- (E) 1 shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, in consultation with the Ranking Members of the Committees on the Judiciary and Natural Resources of the House of Representatives.

# (2) Requirements for eligibility

Each member of the Commission shall have significant experience and expertise in—

- (A) the Indian country criminal justice system; and
- (B) matters to be studied by the Commission.

## (3) Consultation required

The President, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the Senate shall consult before the appointment of members of the Commission under paragraph (1) to achieve, to the maximum extent practicable, fair and equitable representation of various points of view with respect to the matters to be studied by the Commission.

#### (4) Term

Each member shall be appointed for the life of the Commission.

# (5) Time for initial appointments

The appointment of the members of the Commission shall be made not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

#### (6) Vacancies

- A vacancy in the Commission shall be filled—  $\,$ 
  - (A) in the same manner in which the original appointment was made; and
  - (B) not later than 60 days after the date on which the vacancy occurred.

# (c) Operation

### (1) Chairperson

Not later than 15 days after the date on which all members of the Commission have