

of any loans received from the United States or from the Klamath tribal funds; purchase of building material, farming equipment, livestock, feed, food, seed, grain, tools, machinery, implements, household goods, bedding, clothing, and any other equipment or supplies necessary to enable the Indians to fit themselves for or to engage in farming, livestock, industry, or such other pursuits or vocations, including education, as will enable them to become self-supporting; and health purposes: *Provided, however*, That the funds of the aged, infirm, decrepit, and incapacitated members, and of minors, may be used for their proper maintenance and support. The remainder of the share of each minor Indian shall be held intact until such Indian reaches his majority, when it, together with interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum, shall be available for expenditure for the purposes specified herein. As herein used, the term "minor" shall include all members of the tribe less than twenty-one years of age, except that minors eighteen years of age or over and who are married or have families of their own to support, shall be regarded as adults. On the death of any enrolled member, adult, or minor, the sum on deposit to his credit shall be distributed as personal property, and shall be available for expenditure by the distributees only for the purposes herein authorized: *Provided, however*, That of the aforesaid \$2,000 to be prorated to each person, \$100 shall be paid to each member of said tribes as a per capita payment, free from the aforesaid restrictions, under rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

(Aug. 7, 1939, ch. 552, §1, 53 Stat. 1252.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of June 25, 1938, referred to in text, probably refers to the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1938, act June 25, 1938, ch. 681, §203(a), 52 Stat. 1156. Section 203(a) of that act provided for an appropriation for payment of judgments rendered by the court of claims and reported to the 75th Congress in Senate Document Numbered 191, and House Documents Numbered 661 and 686. House Document No. 681 listed a judgment in favor of the Klamath and Modoc Tribes and Yahooskin Band of Snake Indians in the sum of \$5,313,347.32, with interest on a part thereof to date of payment, for the taking of land.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 542. Limitations on remainder of fund

After the segregation provided for in section 541 of this title shall have been made, the remainder of such judgment fund, including interest, shall be available for expenditure subject to the following limitations and conditions:

(a) Repealed. Aug. 13, 1954, ch. 732, §12, 68 Stat. 721.

(b) Three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars for immediate payment in a lump sum of \$1,500 to each adult unallotted Indian found to be entitled to payment in lieu of allotment, as

authorized in the Act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 605) [25 U.S.C. 551 et seq.]: *Provided*, That the amount due any minor under the provisions of said subchapter shall be withheld until he becomes an adult, as herein defined, when it shall be paid to him in a lump sum from any funds, principal, or interest, on deposit to the credit of the Klamath Tribe, and section 2 of said Act of June 1, 1938 [25 U.S.C. 552], is amended accordingly.

(c) Such moneys as shall remain in the principal fund shall be transferred to and become a part of the capital reserve fund created by section 530 of this title.

(Aug. 7, 1939, ch. 552, §2, 53 Stat. 1253; Aug. 13, 1954, ch. 732, §12, 68 Stat. 721.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of June 1, 1938, referred to in subsec. (b), is act June 1, 1938, ch. 310, 52 Stat. 605, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter XI (§551 et seq.) of this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1954—Subsec. (a). Act Aug. 13, 1954, repealed subsec. (a) which related to transfer of funds.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1954 AMENDMENT

Act Aug. 13, 1954, ch. 732, §12, 68 Stat. 721, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective on the date of the transfer of tribal property to a trustee, corporation, or other legal entity pursuant to section 564e of this title.

§ 543. Liability of judgment funds for debts

In no event shall any portion of the said judgment fund become liable, payable, or subject to any debt or debts contracted prior to the passage of this subchapter by any Indian of the Klamath Tribe except debts to the United States or to the tribe.

(Aug. 7, 1939, ch. 552, §3, 53 Stat. 1253.)

§ 544. Creation of individual credits; authorized purchases

The Secretary of the Interior be, and he is authorized and directed, from the capital reserve fund deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Klamath and Modoc Tribes and Yahooskin Band of Snake Indians (hereinafter referred to as the "Klamath Tribes"), said fund being established pursuant to the Act of August 28, 1937 (ch. 874, 50 Stat. 872) [25 U.S.C. 530 et seq.], as augmented by the proceeds of the judgment fund of the Klamath Indians as provided in the Act of August 7, 1939 (ch. 552, 53 Stat. 1252) [25 U.S.C. 541 et seq.], to credit the sum of \$500 upon the books of the Office of Indian Affairs, to each person determined by the Secretary of the Interior to be entitled to enrollment upon the annuity roll of said tribes of the Klamath Reservation, Oregon, living upon March 29, 1948. The share of each adult member of the credit so established shall be available for expenditure, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, for the following purposes:

Purchase of land or interests in land; improvement of lands acquired or already held by the Indian; erection and improvement of suitable

homes including household equipment and furnishings; repayment of any loans received from the United States or from the Klamath tribal funds; purchase of building material, feed, seed, and grain; purchase or rehabilitation and repair of farming equipment, tools, trucks, tractors, machinery, and implements; and purchase of any other equipment or supplies necessary to enable the Indians to fit themselves for or to engage in farming, livestock, industry, or such other pursuits or vocations, including education and adult education, as will enable them to become self-supporting; and health, including dental work: *Provided, however*, That the funds of the aged, infirm, decrepit, and incapacitated members may be used for their proper maintenance and support: *Provided further*, That during minority the share of each minor Indian shall be available for expenditure only for his education and for health purposes, including dental work, except that in an emergency expenditure of a minor Indian's share may be made for any of the purposes specified in this section and section 545 of this title. As herein used, the term "minor" shall include all members of the tribe who have not attained the age of twenty-one years, except that minors eighteen years of age or over and who are married or have families of their own to support, shall be regarded as adults. On the death of any enrolled member, adult or minor, the sum on deposit to his credit shall be distributed as personal property, and shall be available for expenditure by the distributees only for the purposes herein authorized: *And provided further*, That each member of the Klamath Tribes honorably discharged from service to the United States in its armed forces shall, upon application to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, be paid \$200 in cash, free from the aforesaid restrictions and in addition to the \$500 to be credited to such member as provided in this section.

(Mar. 29, 1948, ch. 160, § 2, 62 Stat. 92.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of August 28, 1937, referred to in text, is act Aug. 28, 1937, ch. 874, 50 Stat. 872, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter IX (§530 et seq.) of this chapter.

Act of August 7, 1939, referred to in text, is act Aug. 7, 1939, ch. 552, 53 Stat. 1252, as amended, which is classified generally to this subchapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

CODIFICATION

This section was not enacted as part of act Aug. 7, 1939, ch. 552, 53 Stat. 1252, which comprises this subchapter.

SHORT TITLE

Act Mar. 29, 1948, ch. 160, § 1, 62 Stat. 92, provided: "That this Act [enacting this section and section 545 of this title] shall be known as the 'Klamath Welfare Act'."

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§ 1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 545. Liability of judgment funds for debts

In no event shall any portion of the funds directed to be credited and paid become liable, payable, or subject to any debt or debts contracted prior to the passage of this section and section 544 of this title by any Indian of the Klamath Tribe, except debts to the United States or to the tribe.

(Mar. 29, 1948, ch. 160, § 3, 62 Stat. 93.)

CODIFICATION

This section was not enacted as part of act Aug. 7, 1939, ch. 552, 53 Stat. 1252, which comprises this subchapter.

SUBCHAPTER XI—KLAMATH TRIBE: PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF ALLOTMENTS; INHERITANCE OF RESTRICTED PROPERTY

§ 551. "Klamath Tribe" defined

As used in this subchapter the term "Klamath Tribe" includes the members of the Klamath and Modoc Tribes and the Yahooskin Band of Snakes and all other Indians having rights on the Klamath Indian Reservation in the State of Oregon.

(June 1, 1938, ch. 310, § 1, 52 Stat. 605.)

§ 552. Payments in lieu of allotments

Each enrolled member of the Klamath Tribe living on June 1, 1938, who has not received an allotment of land shall be paid the sum of \$1,500 from unobligated Klamath tribal funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior shall prescribe, in installments of not to exceed \$300 per annum: *Provided*, That no member of the Klamath Tribe who shall not be enrolled within one year from June 1, 1938, shall receive a payment in lieu of allotment. No member of the Klamath Tribe born after June 1, 1938, shall be entitled to receive any allotment of land or money payment in lieu thereof.

(June 1, 1938, ch. 310, § 2, 52 Stat. 605.)

§ 553. Deposit and expenditure of payments

The payments herein authorized shall be deposited to the credit of the individual Indian money accounts of such Indians subject to expenditure by such Indians, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for (1) industrial and agricultural assistance, and the construction and improvement of homes, including the purchase of land and interests in land, building material, farming equipment, industrial equipment, trucks, livestock, feed, food, seed, tools, machinery, implements, household goods, bedding, clothing, and any other equipment or supplies necessary to enable the Indians to fit themselves for or to engage in the farming, livestock industry, or such other industrial or agricultural pursuits or avocations as will enable them to become self-supporting; (2) the educational advancement of such Indians; (3) financial assistance in cases of illness, death, or other emergency; (4) the repayment of reimbursable debts previously contracted; or (5) security for or the repayment of