

regarding the utilization of available rolls and records and the eligibility for enrollment of an applicant shall be final.

(Pub. L. 92-59, § 3, July 29, 1971, 85 Stat. 158.)

**§ 1244. Apportionment of funds; members and descendants of Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewas of North Dakota, the Chippewa-Cree Tribe of Montana**

In developing the roll of Pembina descendants, the Secretary of the Interior shall determine which enrollees are members of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewas of North Dakota, or the Chippewa-Cree Tribe of Montana, and subsequent to the establishment of the descendancy roll shall apportion funds to the three cited tribes on the basis of the numbers of descendants having membership with these tribes. Fund not apportioned in this manner shall be distributed in equal shares to those enrolled descendants who are not members of the three cited tribes.

(Pub. L. 92-59, § 4, July 29, 1971, 85 Stat. 158.)

**§ 1245. Use of funds apportioned; approval by Secretary on receipt of recommendations from certain tribal organizations**

The funds apportioned to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, the Turtle Mountain Band, and the Chippewa-Cree Tribe may be advanced, expended, invested, or reinvested for any purpose authorized by the respective tribal governing bodies and approved by the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided*, That the governing body of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe shall act in concert with the General Council of the Pembina Band of Chippewa Indians of the White Earth Reservation for the purpose of making recommendations to the Secretary; *And provided further*, That the Pembina descendants within the Turtle Mountain Band shall be authorized to establish pursuant to regulations set by the Secretary the Pembina Descendants Committee and that the tribal governing body shall be required to work in concert with such committee for the purpose of making recommendations to the Secretary and only those members of the three cited tribes who are enrolled as Pembina descendants under the provisions of this subchapter shall be permitted to share in any per capita distribution of the funds accruing to the tribes.

(Pub. L. 92-59, § 5, July 29, 1971, 85 Stat. 158.)

**§ 1246. Tax exemption**

None of the funds distributed per capita under the provisions of this subchapter shall be subject to Federal or State income taxes.

(Pub. L. 92-59, § 6, July 29, 1971, 85 Stat. 159.)

**§ 1247. Payments to enrollees, heirs, or legatees; protection of the interests of minors and persons under legal disability**

Sums payable to adult living enrollees or to adult heirs or legatees of deceased enrollees shall be paid directly to such persons. Sums payable to enrollees or their heirs or legatees who

are less than twenty-one years of age or who are under legal disability shall be paid in accordance with such procedures, including the establishment of trusts, as the Secretary of the Interior determines appropriate to protect the best interests of such persons.

(Pub. L. 92-59, § 7, July 29, 1971, 85 Stat. 159.)

**§ 1248. Rules and regulations**

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to prescribe rules and regulations to effect the provisions of this subchapter, including the establishment of deadlines.

(Pub. L. 92-59, § 8, July 29, 1971, 85 Stat. 159.)

**SUBCHAPTER LXVII—CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES OF THE FLATHEAD RESERVATION, MONTANA: DISTRIBUTION OF JUDGMENT FUND**

**§ 1251. Distribution of funds; attorney fees and expenses**

The funds appropriated to the credit of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, Montana, in satisfaction of judgments awarded in paragraphs 7 and 10 in docket numbered 50233, United States Court of Claims, including interest thereon, after payment of attorneys fees and other litigation expenses, shall be used as follows: 85 per centum thereof shall be distributed in equal per capita shares to each person who is enrolled or entitled to be enrolled on March 17, 1972; the remainder may be advanced, expended, invested or reinvested for any purposes that are authorized by the tribal governing body and approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 92-253, § 1, Mar. 17, 1972, 86 Stat. 64.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The United States Court of Claims, referred to in text, and the United States Court of Customs and Patent Appeals were merged effective Oct. 1, 1982, into a new United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit by Pub. L. 97-164, Apr. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 25, which also created a United States Claims Court [now United States Court of Federal Claims] that inherited the trial jurisdiction of the Court of Claims. See sections 48, 171 et seq., 791 et seq., and 1491 et seq. of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

**§ 1252. Tax exemption**

Any part of such funds that may be distributed to members of the Tribes shall not be subject to Federal or State income tax.

(Pub. L. 92-253, § 2, Mar. 17, 1972, 86 Stat. 64.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Such funds, referred to in text, are the funds provided for in this subchapter.

**§ 1253. Payments to minors**

Sums payable under this subchapter to enrollees or their heirs or legatees who are less than eighteen years of age or who are under a legal disability shall be paid in accordance with such procedures, including the establishment of trusts, as the Secretary of the Interior determines appropriate to protect the best interests of such persons.