

87TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1479

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 29, 1961

Mr. METCALF (for himself and Mr. MANSFIELD) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Interior and
Insular Affairs

A BILL

To authorize assumption by the various States of civil or criminal jurisdiction over cases arising on Indian reservations with the consent of the tribe involved; to permit gradual transfer of such jurisdiction to the States; and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That sections 6 and 7 of the Act of August 15, 1953 (Pub-
4 lic Law 280, Eighty-third Congress, 67 Stat. 588), are
5 amended to read as follows:

6 "SEC. 6. The consent of the United States is hereby
7 given to any State, with respect to any Indian country
8 within its territorial limits, to assume jurisdiction over crim-

1 inal or over civil causes of action with the consent of the
 2 tribe occupying the particular Indian country affected by
 3 the assumption of jurisdiction. The extent of such jurisdic-
 4 tion, either civil or criminal, shall be as agreed upon from
 5 time to time by the State and the tribe concerned, and may
 6 be extended or retracted by agreement of both the State
 7 and the particular tribe as experience proves practicable and
 8 planning may indicate to them advisable. Except to the
 9 extent provided for by such consent and agreement, there
 10 shall apply unimpaired within the particular Indian coun-
 11 try such tribal or Federal jurisdiction as would have ap-
 12 plied in the absence of any assumption of jurisdiction by the
 13 State.

14 "SEC. 7. The consent of the United States is hereby
 15 given to the people of any State to amend, where neces-
 16 sary, their State constitution or existing statutes, as the
 17 case may be, to remove any legal impediment to the as-
 18 sumption of civil or criminal jurisdiction in accordance with
 19 the provisions of this Act."

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
 BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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A BILL

To authorize the assumption of jurisdiction by the various States
 of civil or criminal jurisdiction in Indian country, and to provide
 for the transfer of such jurisdiction to the
 States; and for other purposes.

By Mr. McMillan and Mr. McMillan

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Interior
 and Insular Affairs
 March 23, 1901

A BILL

To authorize assumption by the various States of civil or criminal jurisdiction over cases arising on Indian reservations with the consent to the tribe involved; to permit gradual transfer of such jurisdiction to the States; and for other purposes.

By Mr. METCALF and Mr. MANSFIELD

MARCH 29, 1961

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