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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Kickapoo Tribe of
3 Oklahoma Federal Indian Services Restoration Act of
4 1998”.

5 **SEC. 2. RESTORATION OF FEDERAL INDIAN SERVICES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
7 sion of law, the members of the Kickapoo Tribe of Okla-
8 homa residing in Maverick County, Texas, shall be eligible
9 for all Federal services and benefits furnished to members
10 of federally-recognized tribes without regard to the exist-
11 ence of a reservation for the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma
12 in Maverick County, Texas. In the case of Federal services
13 available to members of federally-recognized tribes resid-
14 ing on or near a reservation, the members of the Kickapoo
15 Tribe of Oklahoma residing in Maverick County, Texas,
16 shall be deemed to be residing on or near a reservation.

17 (b) COOPERATION WITH THE MEXICAN GOVERN-
18 MENT.—In providing services pursuant to subsection (a),
19 the Secretary of the Interior (referred to hereafter in this
20 Act as the “Secretary”) and the head of each department
21 and agency shall consult and cooperate with appropriate
22 officials or agencies of the Mexican Government to the
23 greatest extent possible to ensure that such services meet
24 the special tricultural needs of the members of the Kick-
25 apoo Tribe of Oklahoma residing in Texas. Such consulta-
26 tion and cooperation may include joint funding agree-

1 ments between such agency or department of the United
2 States and the appropriate agencies and officials of the
3 Mexican Government.

4 (c) **DISCLAIMER ON NEW APPROPRIATIONS.—**(1)

5 Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to—

6 (A) constitute an independent authorization for
7 the appropriation of funds for benefit of the Kick-
8 apoo Tribe of Oklahoma; or

9 (B) result in the diminution of funding to any
10 other federally recognized Indian tribe.

11 (2) The Secretary shall, upon request of the Kickapoo
12 Tribe of Oklahoma and subject to the availability of appro-
13 priations, provide technical assistance to prevent duplica-
14 tion of services for members of any federally recognized
15 tribe in Maverick County, Texas.

16 **SEC. 3. LAND ACQUISITION.**

17 (a) **45 ACRES.—**Pursuant to section 5 of the Act of
18 June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 465), the Secretary may accept
19 at least 45 acres of land held in fee by the Kickapoo Tribe
20 of Oklahoma in Maverick County, Texas, to be held in
21 trust for the benefit of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma.

22 (b) **ADDITIONAL LAND.—**Pursuant to land acquisi-
23 tion authority under the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C.
24 461 et seq.), the Secretary may accept in trust for the
25 benefit of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma any additional

1 land in Maverick County, Texas, acquired by the Kickapoo
2 Tribe of Oklahoma.

3 (c) NO LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this
4 section shall be construed as limiting the authority of the
5 Secretary under section 5 of the Act of June 18, 1934
6 (48 Stat. 985).

Passed the House of Representatives September 23,
1998.

Attest:

Clerk.