

act of April tenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, is hereby appropriated; and said Board of Indian Commissioners is hereby continued with all the powers and duties conferred and imposed by existing laws. But nothing herein provided shall be construed to supersede or interfere with the duty heretofore imposed upon the board of commissioners to visit Indian agencies and inspect the vouchers, books and papers thereof. Section 7. That for the purpose of including Indians to labor and become self-supporting, it is hereby provided that in distributing the same shall require all able-bodied male Indians, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five to perform service upon the reservation, for the benefit of themselves, or of the tribe, at a reasonable rate, to be fixed by the agent in charge, and to an amount equal in value to the supplies to be delivered. And the allowances provided for such Indians shall be distributed to them only upon condition of the performance of such labor, under such rules and regulations as the agent may prescribe. Provided, That the Secretary of the Interior may, by written order, exempt any particular tribe from the operation of this provision where he deems it proper and expedient. Sec. 8. That none of the moneys appropriated in this act shall be used to pay salaries or allowances of any kind to employees at agencies except where it is expressly appropriated for such purposes, and the incidental fund, and except in cases herein otherwise provided not more than six thousand dollars shall be paid for the salaries of any employee at any agency, in addition to the salary of the agent and interpreter, and not more than any agency shall be absolutely necessary; and Indian agents shall be paid quarterly, under contract, upon rendering their quarterly accounts, that the number of employees claimed for were actually and lawfully employed at the agency and the salary claimed, and that such agency does not, directly or indirectly, receive any part of the compensation claims of any other employees, or of any securities, and that the agent, under contract, that there is no officer in the vicinity of an agency who is authorized to administer oaths, the Secretary of the Interior may, in his returns to be made under the certificate of the agent. Sec. 9. That none of the appropriations herein made shall be paid to any Indian, or to any individual, who is at war with the United States or with the white citizens of any of the States or Territories. Sec. 10. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior, and the officers charged by law with the distribution of supplies to the Indians, under the appropriations herein made, to see that the supplies are properly distributed to the Indians entitled to them, in such proper proportions as that the amount of appropriation shall be expended before the end of the current year, so as to prevent deficiencies; and no expenditure shall be made or liability incurred on the part of the Government on account of the Indian claims for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, unless in compliance with existing law, beyond the amount of moneys actually appropriated for said service through said year. Provided, That hereafter all bidders under any advertisement published by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for proposals for the purchase of supplies, and so forth, for and on account of the Indian service, whenever the value of the goods, supplies, and so forth, to be purchased, or the transportation to be performed, shall exceed the sum of five thousand dollars, shall accompany their bids with a certified check or draft payable to the order of the Secretary of the Interior, and upon some United States depository or solvent national bank, which check or draft shall be five per centum on the amount of the bid, and shall be proportioned and so forth, as aforesaid; and in case any such bidder, on being awarded a contract, shall fail to execute the same with good and sufficient sureties, according to the terms on which such bid was made and accepted, such bidder shall forfeit the amount so deposited to the United States, and the balance of the same shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States; but if such contract shall be duly executed, as aforesaid, such draft or check so deposited shall be returned to the bidder. Sec. 7. That for the purpose of properly distributing the supplies appropriated for in this act, it is hereby provided that the agent in charge of Indians and having supplies to distribute, to make out rolls, of the Indians entitled to supplies at the agency, who are the heads of families or lodges, and to give out supplies to the heads of tribes or bands, and not to give out supplies of the greater length of time than one week in advance. Sec. 8. That the sum of twenty-five thousand four hundred and eighty dollars, to-wit: twenty-six cents, being the unexpended balance of an appropriation of thirty thousand dollars to carry on the work of aiding and instructing the Indians of the Central superintendency, and the sum of twenty thousand dollars, to-wit: twenty cents, being the unexpended balance of an appropriation of twenty thousand dollars to carry on the work of aiding and instructing the Indians of the Eastern superintendency, shall be available for the purpose of enabling such person to obtain the same. The violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars, and by removal from office, and, in addition, by the court, and, in its discretion, may have the power to punish by imprisonment, not more than six months.

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