

1        SEC. 2. In accordance with the foregoing purposes,  
2 the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to issue  
3 to the Indians residing upon any Indian reservation or  
4 reservations or subdivision thereof a charter granting to the  
5 said community group any or all of such powers of govern-  
6 ment and such privileges of corporate organization and eco-  
7 nomic activity, hereinafter enumerated, as may seem fitting  
8 in the light of the experience, capacities, and desires of the  
9 Indians concerned; but no such charter shall take effect  
10 until ratified by a three-fifths vote at a popular election  
11 open to all adult Indians resident within the territory cov-  
12 ered by the charter.

13        Upon receipt of a petition for the issuance of a charter  
14 signed by one fourth of the adult Indians residing on any  
15 existing reservation, it shall be the duty of the Secretary  
16 of the Interior to make the necessary investigations and  
17 issue a proper charter, subject to ratification, or shall pro-  
18 claim the conditions upon which such charter will be issued;  
19 and such petition, with a record of the findings and of the  
20 action of the Secretary, shall be transmitted by the Secretary  
21 of the Interior to Congress: *Provided*, That whenever the  
22 Secretary of the Interior shall acquire land not comprised  
23 within any existing reservation for the purpose of establish-  
24 ing a new Indian community, pursuant to the authority  
25 granted by title III of this Act, he shall issue a charter to