

# Executive Office Choctaw Nation.

Green McCurtain, Principal Chief.

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A Resolution authorizing the appointment of a Committee of Investigation.

Be it resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That whereas it is currently reported that bribery, and other corrupt methods were used by certain parties to secure the passage of the law in regard to Minerals (passed and approved Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> 1896), that a Committee of five members be ~~created~~, two <sup>appointed</sup> by the President of the Senate, and three by the Speaker of the House.

That the said Committee, when it meets, shall elect one of its members ~~Chairman~~, and another ~~Secretary~~. And the said Committee is hereby authorized to send for persons, and papers, using the light-horsemen, and the Sheriffs of this Nation as they may find it most convenient, to serve their processes. They shall swear all witness who shall come before them



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And the Secretary of the Committee shall take down in writing the testimony of all such witnesses during the investigation. And the laws of the Choctaw Nation touching witnesses before the Circuit Courts of the Nation shall be applicable to this Committee.

Be it further resolved that the Committee shall meet as soon as practicable, and enter upon the investigation, and shall continue in session until they have thoroughly <sup>and</sup> completely investigated the matter before them, continuing these sittings even, if necessary, after the adjournment of this session of Council. And when the investigation is finished they shall make a full <sup>and</sup> complete report, including all the testimony to this General Council; but if Council be adjourned then the Committee shall give the Report to the Principal Chief to be laid by him before the next session of Council, whether called, or regular.

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Be it further resolved that if the labors of this committee are continued until after Council adjourns that their pay shall continue the same as if they were acting as members of Council.

Prepared by  
J. P. Ward



approved on  
this 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of October 1896

Wm W. Curtin

P. 667

Read and interpreted  
passed the Senate  
and referred to  
the House Oct.  
23, 1896

H. Hampton  
Clerk

F. L. Ward  
Clerk

Read interpreted  
& laid over for  
further consideration  
this Oct. 27, 1896.

— William Martin  
Speaker of House.

L. W. Bohannon  
Clerk

Read, interpreted & read  
passed the House &  
referred to Chief  
Oct. 28, 1896.

— William Martin  
Speaker House.  
L. W. Bohannon Clerk

Bill No. 26.  
A Resolution author-  
izing the appointment  
of the Committee of  
Investigation.

Filed in my  
Office this the  
28<sup>th</sup> day of  
October, A.D.  
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Wm. B. Jackson  
Not. Secty.  
Clerk

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John D. ...  
George ...