

To the members of the Senate
and House of Representatives of
the Choctaw Nation, in General
Council assembled:—

Gentlemen:—

I return herewith
an Act of the General Council,
entitled:—

"An Act Amending, to an
act entitled, 'An Act relating to
the school system of the Choctaw
Nation.'" with my veto—

This law falls into line with
the desires of those put over us
by the United States Authorities—
They have never ceased, since
coming into control of our
schools, to work for the abol-
ishing of the school officers of the
Choctaw Nation that they might
have everything in their hands
to do and act as they choose.

I look upon the schools as the
very heart of our government
and that once out of our hands
we have lost virtually all—

The District Trustees have
done much work in the
improvement of our schools
during the last year and should
be retained in their offices for
the good they have & will do
us in this branch of our
government.

The law above purports to

be an Amendment, but virtually
is an Act of its self. This
should be corrected or it fails
in what it is intended to
cover.

You will give this your
careful consideration and think
well before depriving the
Citizen of an office, in which
he is accomplishing much
good for the Nation, for soon
the Indian will not be
permitted to hold an office

Very respectfully

G. W. Dukes
Prin. Chief, C. N.

An Act amendatory to an act entitled
"An act relating to the school system
of the Choctaw Nation."

Be it enacted by the General
Council of the Choctaw Nation assem-
bled:

That the act entitled "An
act relating to the school system
of the Choctaw Nation," approved
October 30, 1890, be and the same is
hereby amended so as to repeal all
that portion and those provisions
of said act which create and
establish the office of school
trustees for the several districts
of the Choctaw Nation, and the
office of district school trustee
is hereby abolished.

Section 2. Be it further enacted:

That the Superintendent of
public schools shall hereafter
exercise, under the direction and
supervision of the Principal Chief,
the duties of the several district
trustees, and, jointly with the
Principal Chief, the functions of
the Board of Education, as
established and proscribed by
said act of October 30, 1890,
Provided, no duties contemplated
by said act of October 30, 1890,
to be done on the part of the
district trustees, or the Board of
Education necessary for the success

ful operation of our schools, are hereby abrogated or curtailed, but the same may be performed by the Superintendent of Schools under the supervision of the Principal Chief as heretofore provided.

Section 3. Be it further enacted: That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Proposed by,
Robert Burton

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Read and Interpreted
Passed the senate
and referred to
Chief this 4th of
Nov - 1901

Green Mountain
Pres. Senate

By
Clerk

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Regarding the
School Laws of
the Choctaw Nation

Read Interpreted
and Laid over for
further consideration

This Nov. 2nd 1901

Wm H. Harrison
Speaker.

E. E. Dyer
Clerk.

Read Interpreted.
Passed the House
and referred to the
Senate this November
4th 1901.

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