

BILL NO 26

WHEREAS: There are many Indians, of Choctaw blood, in the United States prisons in Leavenworth, Kansas; Columbus, Ohio; Atlanta, Georgia; and elsewhere, who are entitled to share in the allotment of the lands, and division of the money due the Choctaws; and

WHEREAS: These unfortunates have no trustworthy and competent person to act in their behalf in the protection of their interests:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION, IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION ASSEMBLED:

That the Principal Chief be authorized to communicate with said prisoners, in the various United States Prisons, to the end that said prisoners may select suitable persons to represent them in the selection of their allotments, and in the drawing of the money that may be due them, as Choctaw Indians.

That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Read, interpreted, passed Senate, and referred to House this 19th day of December, 1902.

Attest: Joe W. Conser
Rec. Sec.

James Bower
President of Senate

Read, interpreted, passed House, and referred to Chief this 19th day of December, 1902.

Attest: W. W. Cooper
Rec. Sec.

R. J. Ward
Speaker of House.

Approved this 19th day of December, 1902.

Green M. Curtain
Principal Chief C.N.



OFFICE
NATIONAL SECRETARY
Choctaw Nation

THIS IS TO CERTIFY:

That the above and hereto attached bill No. 26 is an act of the Choctaw General Council passed at a special Session thereof in December, 1902, and approved by the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, in his official character on December 19, 1902, and that I do hereby respectfully submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States, in accordance with the provisions of Section 29, of the Act of Congress of June 28, 1898, (30 Stats. 495), entitled "An Act for the protection of the People of the Indian Territory, and for other purposes.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Edward H. Wilson,
National Secretary of the Choctaw Nation, have here-
unto affixed my official signature, and the Great
Seal of the Choctaw Nation, this the 19 Day of De-
cember, one thousand nine hundred and two.



Edward H. Wilson
National Secretary of the
Choctaw Nation.

WHITE HOUSE.
Washington, February 21, 1903.

Approved:

T. Roosevelt

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN INSPECTOR

FOR

INDIAN TERRITORY,

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Muskogee, Ind T., Mar. 6, 1903.

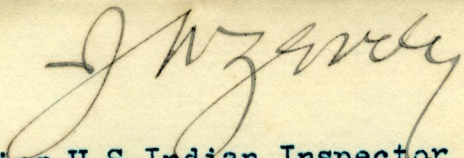
Mr. E. H. Wilson,
National Secretary, Choctaw Nation,

Sir:-

I respectfully return herewith the act of the National Council of the Choctaw Nation, approved by the Principal Chief December 19, 1902, authorizing said Principal Chief to communicate with convicts in the various United States prisons, to the end that such prisoners may select suitable persons to represent them in taking their allotments and drawing money that may be due them as Choctaw Indians.

This act was approved by the President, as shown by his endorsement thereon, February 21, 1903.

Very respectfully,


Acting U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

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Edward H. Wilson
National Secretary

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Bill no 26

Read, interpreted

Passed the Senate
& Referred to the
Lower House

This the 19th day of Dec. 1902

James Bowen

Pres. of the

United States Senate

Read interpreted passed
the House and referred
to Chief this the 18th
day of Dec. 1902.

R. J. Ward

Speaker of House

Attest: N. P. Cooper
Sec. Dep.

From and after its passage and approval.

That this resolution shall take effect and be in force

Attest:

Rec. Sec.

this 19th day of December, 1902.
Read, interpreted, passed
and referred to

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Rec. Sec.

this 19th day of December, 1902.
Read, interpreted, passed
and referred to Chief

Approved this 19th day of December, 1902.

Principal Chief C.M.

Stephen M. Johnston

of the lands, and division of the Choctaws; and
Georgia; and elsewhere, and to share in the allotment
United States prisoners of Georgia; Kansas; Columbus, Ohio; Atlanta,
WHEREAS: These informants have no interest in the
Principal Chief of Choctaw blood, in the

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office this the 19 day of
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