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An Act To Provide State Recognition for the Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians

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Clerk

Presented by Representative STEARNS of Guilford.
Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 30 MRSA c. 605** is enacted to read:

3 **CHAPTER 605**

4 **STATE RECOGNITION OF KINEO BAND OF MALISEET INDIANS**

5 **§8201. Recognition of Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians**

6 **1. Recognition.** The Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians is recognized by the State as a
7 Native American tribe.

8 **2. Effect of recognition.** Recognition of the Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians may not
9 be construed to create, extend or form the basis of any right or claim to land or real estate
10 in the State or any right to conduct gambling activities prohibited by law. The Kineo Band
11 of Maliseet Indians and the individual members of the band remain subject to all the laws
12 of the State.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill provides for state recognition of the Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians as a
15 Native American tribe. Recognition does not create, extend or form the basis of any right
16 or claim to land or real estate in the State or any right to conduct gambling activities
17 prohibited by law. The Kineo Band of Maliseet Indians and the individual members of the
18 band remain subject to all the laws of the State.