SEC. 5. STUDY OF COMBINED ANNUAL REPORTING FOR SOCIAL SECURITY AND INCOME TAX PURPOSES.

The Secretary and the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare shall (1) study the desirability and feasibility of instituting a system of combined social security-income tax reporting on an annual basis, and the effect of such a system on social security beneficiaries, on the costs to employers and to the social security program, and on the administration of such program, and (2) submit to the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Finance of the Senate, no later than December 31, 1974, a joint report of the results of such study containing their recommendations as to the provisions, procedures, and requirements which might be included in such a system and the manner in which it might be put into effect.

SEC. 6. IMPOSITION AND RATE OF TAX ON STILL WINES.

(a) In General.—The last sentence of section 5041(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to tax on wines) is amended by striking out “0.277” and inserting in lieu thereof “0.392”.

(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by this section shall take effect on the first day of the first calendar month which begins more than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

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AN ACT

To authorize the Sisseton and Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation to consolidate its landholdings in North Dakota and South Dakota, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, at his discretion and upon the request of the Sisseton and Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation or its designated agent in the States of North Dakota and South Dakota, to acquire through purchase, gift, or exchange any lands or interest in lands within the boundaries of the Lake Traverse Reservation in North Dakota and South Dakota for the purpose of consolidating landholdings, eliminating fractionated heirship interests in Indian trust lands, providing land for any tribal program for the improvement of the economy of the tribe and its members through the development of industry, recreational facilities, housing projects, and the general rehabilitation and enhancement of the total resource potential of the reservation. For the purchase of such lands or interests in lands the use of any funds available to the tribe from any source is authorized and title to any land acquired under the authority of this Act shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the Sisseton and Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation in North Dakota and South Dakota.
SEC. 2. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sisseton and Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation, acting through its governing body or its designated agent, is authorized with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior to exchange or sell any tribal real property not needed or suitable for use by the tribe or so situated or located that it would be to the economic advantage of the tribe to sell or exchange the property; except that (1) any such sale shall be by competitive sealed bidding, and a preference shall be given to enrolled members of the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation to match the high bid; (2) the amount or exchange value received for the property shall not be less than the fair market value thereof as determined by the Secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized representative; (3) if lands involved in an exchange are not of equal value, the difference in value shall be paid in money; (4) any proceeds from the sale of land under this authority or money received to equalize an exchange shall be used exclusively for the purchase of other land on the reservation; (5) title to any land acquired for the tribe under this authority shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the tribe; and (6) if an enrolled member of the Sisseton and Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation acquires land from the tribe under this Act, title may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the use and benefit of such member.

(b) All of the foregoing provisions of this Act shall be construed to be exclusive to resident United States citizens enrolled as members of the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation.

SEC. 3. All lands acquired by the United States in trust for the tribe or members thereof under the authority of this Act shall be exempt from State and local taxation.

SEC. 4. Any tribal land may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, be encumbered by a mortgage or deed of trust, and shall be subject to foreclosure or sale pursuant to the terms of such mortgage or deed of trust in accordance with the laws of the State in which the land is located. For the purpose of the foreclosure or sale proceeding, the Sisseton and Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation shall be regarded as vested with an unrestricted fee simple title to the land. The United States shall not be a necessary party to the foreclosure or sale proceeding, and any conveyance of the land pursuant to such proceeding shall divest the United States of title to the land. Title to any land redeemed or acquired by the tribe at such foreclosure or sale proceeding shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the tribe, and title to any land purchased by an individual member of the tribe at such proceeding may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the use and benefit of the individual Indian purchaser.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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