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Right of Way in Arizona

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JUNE 21, 1882.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. DAWES, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. 1959.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1959) granting the right of way to the Arizona Southern Railroad Company through the Papago Indian Reservation in Arizona, report:

That said right of way is very necessary to said company, they having, under the law, secured the right of way for their whole line except for this small section of about 8 miles, which runs through the said reservation. The Indians occupying the reservation are not only satisfied but anxious to have said railroad built on the route as surveyed, it being much to their advantage. The agent in charge of said Papago Indians, as well as the receiver and register of the land office nearest to said reservation, recommend the granting of the right of way as asked. The Commissioner of Indian Affairs and Secretary of the Interior, after full examination of the question, see no objection to the passage of the bill after being amended as suggested by them.

We therefore recommend the passage of the bill after amendment as follows:

Strike out all of section 1 after the word "and" in line 13, and insert "Such compensation as may be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior be paid to him by the said railroad company, to be by him expended for the benefit of the said Indians."

The said bill was referred to the Secretary of the Interior and by him transmitted to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The letters of the Secretary and of the Commissioner are hereto appended.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, June 7, 1882.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant, enclosing Senate bill granting right of way to the Arizona Southern Railroad Company through the Papago Indian Reservation in Arizona, and to invite your attention to the inclosed copy of report on the same by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs of this date suggesting an amendment to the bill.

This department sees no objection to the bill, amended as suggested by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

The bill is herewith respectfully returned.

Very respectfully,

H. M. TELLER,
Secretary.

Hon. ANGUS CAMERON,
Of Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

RIGHT OF WAY IN ARIZONA.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, June 7, 1882.

SIR: I am in receipt by your informal reference of a letter from Hon. A. Cameron, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, dated the 6th instant, transmitting Senate bill granting a right of way to the Arizona Southern Railroad Company through the Papago Indian Reservation in Arizona, according to the plans of route and survey of said company, now on the files of this department.

I have examined said bill, and suggest the following amendment:

On page 2, line 3, after the word "and," strike out all concluding words of the section, and in lieu thereof insert the following words: "Such compensation as may be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior be paid to him by the said railroad company, to be expended by him for the benefit of the said Indians."

The bill, with accompanying letter, is herewith returned, and a copy of this letter is inclosed.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. PRICE,
Commissioner.

The Hon. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

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