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TAXATION OF THE WYANDOTTE INDIAN LANDS IN  
KANSAS.

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LETTER

OF THE

SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS,

TRANSMITTING

*A copy of the act of that State in relation to the taxation of the Wyandotte Indian lands in Kansas.*

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JULY 15, 1861.—Referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

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TOPEKA, KANSAS, June 25, 1861.

Mr. SPEAKER: I am directed by the legislature of this State to forward to you the accompanying bill, and ask you to lay the same before the House at an early day, and, if meeting your approval, ask your assistance in its passage.

Your very obedient servant,

JOHN W. ROBINSON,  
*Secretary of State, Kansas.*

Hon. SPEAKER *United States House of Representatives.*

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AN ACT entitled "An act providing for the taxation of the Wyandotte Indian lands in Wyandotte county."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the legislature of the State of Kansas,* That all the lands in Wyandotte county, State of Kansas, formerly belonging to the Wyandotte nation of Indians, which were ceded to the United States by said nation by the treaty between said United States and said Wyandotte Indians, made January 31, A. D. 1855, which lands were not to be subject to taxation for a period of five years from and after the organization of a State government over the Territory where said lands lie, unless otherwise provided by State legislation with the assent of Congress, are, and the same shall be, subject to taxation and sale for taxes, the same as any other lands in

this State, from and after the passage of this act and the assent of Congress thereto

SEC. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification by Congress and publication in the county of Wyandotte.

SEC. 3. The secretary of state shall, upon the passage of this act, forward to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate of the United States a certified copy of the same, requesting immediate action of Congress thereon.

I hereby certify that the above bill originated in the house on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1861, and passed that body on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1861.

A. R. BANKS,

*Chief Clerk pro tem. House Reps.*

JOHN W. SCOTT,

*Speaker pro tem. House Reps.*

Passed the senate April 24, 1861.

JOHN J. INGALLS,

*Secretary.*

J. P. ROOT,

*President of Senate.*

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, *Topeka, April 26, 1861.*

Approved.

G. ROBINSON, *Governor.*

SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE,

*Topeka, June 23, 1861.*

I hereby certify that the above bill is a true and faithful copy of the original on file in my office, and in behalf of the legislature of this State most respectfully direct your attention to it, and humbly ask your concurrence in its provisions.

Witness my hand and seal.

[L. s.]

JOHN W. ROBINSON,

*Secretary of State.*