

TITLE 25 - INDIANS**CHAPTER 14 - MISCELLANEOUS****SUBCHAPTER XXXI-A - ALABAMA AND COUSHATTA INDIAN TRIBES OF TEXAS:
RESTORATION OF FEDERAL SUPERVISION****§ 734. State and tribal authority****(a) State authority**

Nothing in this Act shall affect the power of the State of Texas to enact special legislation benefitting the tribe, and the State is authorized to perform any services benefitting the tribe that are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

(b) Current constitution and bylaws to remain in effect

Subject to the provisions of section 733 (a) of this title, the constitution and bylaws of the tribe on file with the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives is hereby declared to be approved for the purposes of section 476 of this title except that all reference to the Texas Indian Commission shall be considered as reference to the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) Authority and capacity of Tribal Council

No provision contained in this subchapter shall affect the power of the Tribal Council to take any action under the constitution and bylaws described in subsection (b) of this section. The Tribal Council shall represent the tribe and its members in the implementation of this subchapter and shall have full authority and capacity—

- (1) to enter into contracts, grant agreements, and other arrangements with any Federal department or agency;
- (2) to administer or operate any program or activity under or in connection with any such contract, agreement, or arrangement, to enter into subcontracts or award grants to provide for the administration of any such program or activity, or to conduct any other activity under or in connection with any such contract, agreement, or arrangement; and
- (3) to bind any tribal governing body selected under any new constitution adopted in accordance with section 735 of this title as the successor in interest to the Tribal Council.

(Pub. L. 100–89, title II, § 204, Aug. 18, 1987, 101 Stat. 670; Pub. L. 103–437, § 10(d), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4589.)

References in Text

This Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 100–89, Aug. 18, 1987, 101 Stat. 666, known as the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act, which enacted this subchapter and subchapter LXXVIII (§ 1300g et seq.) of this chapter and enacted provisions set out as notes under section 731 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 731 of this title and Tables.

Amendments

1994—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103–437 substituted “Natural Resources of the House of Representatives” for “Interior and Insular Affairs”.