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**CHAP. 487.**—An Act Authorizing and directing the Secretary of the Interior to investigate, hear, and determine the claims of individual members of the Sioux Tribe of Indians against tribal funds or against the United States.

Sioux Indians.  
Investigation, etc., of  
claims of enrolled in-  
dividual, against tribal  
funds, etc.

*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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to investigate, hear, and determine the claims of the individual Indians whose names are enrolled on the approved rolls of the following Indian agencies: Rosebud, Pine Ridge, Lower Brule, Crow Creek, Cheyenne River, Yankton, Sisseton, and Flandreaux, in the State of South Dakota; Fort Peck, in the State of Montana; Fort Totten, in the State of North Dakota; Standing Rock, in the States of North and South Dakota; and Santee, in the State of Nebraska: *Provided,*

*Provisos.*

That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make all rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act: *Provided further*, That the claims which shall be investigated under this Act shall be individual claims for allotments of land and for loss of personal property or improvements where the claimants or those through whom the claims originated were not members of any band of Indians engaged in hostilities against the United States at the time the losses occurred. If any such claims shall be considered meritorious, the Secretary of the Interior shall adjust same where there is existing law to authorize their adjustment, and such other meritorious claims he shall report to Congress with appropriate recommendation.

Regulations to be made.

Nature of claims.

Adjustment, etc., of meritorious claims.

Approved, May 3, 1928.