# CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 SPECIAL SESSION

# **BILL NO. CLB14-06**

INTRODUCED BY DARRIN OLD COYOTE, CHAIRMAN CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH

#### A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED:

"APPROVAL OF AN INTERIM BUDGET FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CROW TRIBAL GOVERNMENT AND THE EXPENDITURE OF TRIBAL REVENUE FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF FISCAL YEAR 2015."

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 3(d) of the Crow Tribal Constitution and Bylaws requires the Executive Branch of the Crow Tribal Government to prepare an annual budget for the operation of the Tribal Government, including separate budgets for the Legislative and Judicial Branches, for approval by the Legislative Branch and the Secretary of the Interior; and

**WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2(e) of the Constitution empowers the Legislative Branch to grant final approval or disapproval of the annual budget prepared by the Executive Branch; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature granted final approval of an annual budget for Fiscal Year 2014 (covering the period October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014) in CLB No. 13-06 (October 3, 2013) in the total amount of \$32,461,996; and

WHEREAS, due to recent staff changes in the Finance Department, it is not practical for the Executive Branch to prepare a full annual budget for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Legislature's approval before the beginning of the new fiscal year on October 1; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch has requested the Legislative Branch to approve an interim partial-year budget for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2015, covering the period October 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014, authorizing expenditures to continue at the same rate as in the Fiscal Year 2014 budget, as adjusted for differences in anticipated revenue, which interim budget will be replaced by a full annual budget for FY2015 to be prepared and approved before December 31, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislative and Executive Branches wish to cooperate on the approval of the interim budget for FY2015 in order to provide a fiscally sound method for the continued operation of the Crow Tribe until a full FY2015 budget can be prepared and approved.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. Approval of an interim budget for the first quarter of the 2015 fiscal year for the expenditure of Crow Tribal revenue. An interim budget for the first quarter of the 2015 fiscal year, for the operation of the Crow Tribal Government and the expenditure of Tribal revenues during the period October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, for the same purposes as provided in CLB No. 13-06, is hereby approved by the Crow Tribal Legislature as follows:

(a) Judicial Branch: \$181,598;

(b) Legislative Branch: \$478,058; and

(c) Executive Branch: \$4,597,320

TOTAL (excluding Per Capita): \$5,256,976.

Section 2. Replacement with annual FY2015 budget. No later than November 21, 2014, the Executive Branch shall prepare and submit a full annual budget for the 2015 fiscal year for approval by the Legislature in a Special Session prior to December 31, 2014.

Section 3. Tribal mineral royalties, special per-capita account. All mineral royalties paid to the credit of the Crow Tribe shall be directly deposited by the Office of Special Trustee in a special tribal revenue account separate and apart from the Crow Tribal General Fund and shall only be available for expenditure for the purpose of per-capita distribution to the enrolled tribal membership. Any additional mineral royalties received shall also be directly deposited into the special revenue account described herein and shall be distributed via per-capita payments to the enrolled tribal membership.

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## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Bill for an Act entitled "APPROVAL OF AN INTERIM BUDGET FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CROW TRIBAL GOVERNMENT AND THE EXPENDITURE OF TRIBAL REVENUE FOR FIRST QUARTER OF FISCAL YEAR 2015" was duly approved by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 13 in favor, 2 opposed, and 0 abstained, and that a quorum was present on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

Sen. R. Knute Old Crow Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Sen. Gordon Real Bird, Jr.

Secretary

Crow Tribal Legislature

SEAL SO

**EXECUTIVE ACTION** 

I hereby:

APPROVE

VETO

this Bill for an Act entitled APPROVAL OF AN INTERIM BUDGET FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CROW TRIBAL GOVERNMENT AND THE EXPENDITURE OF TRIBAL REVENUE FOR FIRST QUARTER OF FISCAL YEAR 2015 pursuant to the authority vested in the Chairman of the Crow Tribe by Article V. Section 8 of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe of Indians, on this 301 day of 2014.

Darrin Old Coyote, Chairman

Crow Tribe of Indians

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Bill or Resolution: <u>CLB14-06</u> Introduced by: <u>Chairman Darrin Old Coyote</u> Date of Vote: <u>9/30/2014</u> Number

Representative:	Yes	No	Abstained	
G. Three Irons		; <del></del>	_	
B. Rogers	X	7 <u></u>		
C. J. Stewart	X		_	
P. Hill		X		
E. Birdinground	X	£-	-	
A.Coyote-Runs, Sr.				
V. Nomee	X	S	<u> </u>	
T. Gros Ventre	X			
P. Alden, Jr.	X			
V. Crooked Arm	X			
P. Spotted Horse, Sr.	X			
L. DeCrane	X			
C. Goes Ahead	X			
B. Hugs			_	
B. Good Luck	, <del></del> ,	X		
G. Stewart	X	1 <u>1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 </u>	_	
G. Real Bird, Jr. Secretary of the House	X		_	
R. K. Old Crow, Sr. Speaker of the House	X			
Totals:	13	2	0	
Result of Vote:	Passed	Not Passed	Tabled Veto-Override	
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Senator R. Knute Old Speaker of the House	Crow, Sr.		Senator Gordon Real Bird, Jr./ Secretary of the House	Date