

Claims Commission Gets 5-Year Extension

A law extending the life of the Indian Claims Commission for another five years has been signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson.

The law extends the life of the Commission until April 10, 1972. Created by a 1946 act, it would have expired last month without the new law.

The law also increases the

membership of the Commission from three to five members, provides for a trial calendar and limits the time for continuance of cases to expedite the work of the Commission.

More than 850 Indian claims against the United States have been placed before the Commission, and 347 are pending.