President Signs Tlingit-Haida Bill

President Richard Nixon last week signed the Tlingit-Haidabill giving the Southeastern Indians the right to use about \$7 million award money paid for lands lost.

The measure met with heated argument in the Senate when Sen. Mike Gravel sought to insert a provision that the Tlingit and Haidas receive the money with no strings attached. He was successful.

In the Senate-House Conference Committee, however, that provision was deleted in preference for approval of the Interior Department how the money was to be spent.