

Nevada Governor Signs Law To Label Pseudo Indian Craft

Poorly made "American Indian crafts" actually made in Japan can never again be confused with the genuine hand crafted article in the state of Nevada.

Nevada Governor Paul Laxalt, recently signed A.B. 399 into law, providing that imitation Indian art or craft items must at all times be clearly and legibly designated as imitations. Also, only articles bearing a registered trademark or label of authentic Indian labor may be considered the real thing.

The Native Nevadan, official newspaper of the

Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, carried the report in a recent issue.

The new law helps eliminate competition from mechanized production and foreign countries.

An attorney with the Indian Affairs Commission is currently drawing up an Indian non-profit corporation under state law to provide the trademark and labels to carry out the intent of the law.