



Learner Income Support Program

Subject: First Nation Specific Claim Settlement Agreement Exemptions

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BACKGROUND:

The Mosquito Grizzly Bear Head Lean Man (MGBHLM) First Nation Specific Land Claim Settlement Agreement and the Peepeekisis Specific Land Claim Settlement Agreement regarding the File Hills Colony Specific Claim, have reached settlements with the Government of Canada. The Peepeekisis First Nations will be issuing per capita distribution payments to their members, while the MGBHLM is considered a land settlement.

The Minister of Labour and Immigration has signed a Ministerial Order to exempt the income from the MGBHLM settlement, along with exempting the liquid assets and assets purchased or obtained with the income received from each settlement respectively. These assets will not be considered when determining eligibility for Learner Income Support when attending a Labour and Immigration training program.

Non-recurring per capita distribution payments from a First Nation to its members are automatically exempted as a financial resource for Learners.

INTENT:

To ensure that Learner Income Support policy accurately reflects the exemption of income and assets with respect to a payment under the settlement agreements.

The following Ministerial Order has been posted:

Ministerial Order 2021-53

Classification: Protected A

POLICY:

The following Learner policies have been updated:

Asset Exemptions
100% Exempt Income

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