

appropriations heretofore made toward the acquisition of the present site and the enlargement thereof and the construction of said building are hereby made available toward the acquisition of such new site and the construction of said building upon the new site.

Approved, March 3, 1915.

**CHAP. 78.**—An Act To amend section thirty-two hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by section five of the Act of March first, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

March 3, 1915.  
[H. R. 12303.]

[Public, No. 266.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section thirty-two hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by section five of the Act of March first, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine (Twentieth Statutes, page three hundred and twenty-seven), be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following:

Internal revenue special taxes.  
R. S., sec. 3246, p. 625, amended.  
Vol. 20, p. 334.

“Nor shall any special tax be imposed upon manufacturing chemists or flavoring extract manufacturers for recovering tax-paid alcohol or spiritous liquors from dregs or marc of percolation or extraction, if said recovered alcohol or spiritous liquors be again used in the manufacture of flavoring extracts.”

Matter added.

So that said section thirty-two hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States shall read as follows:

“Sec. 3246. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to impose a special tax upon vintners who sell wine of their own growth, or manufacturers who sell wine produced from grapes grown by others, at the place where the same is made or at the general business office of such vintner or manufacturer: *Provided*, That no vintner or manufacturer shall have more than one office for the sale of such wine that shall be exempt from special tax under this Act; nor shall any special tax be imposed upon apothecaries as to wines or spirituous liquors which they use exclusively in the preparation or making-up of medicines.

Exemption of vintners.

*Proviso.*  
Offices restricted.

Apothecaries.

“Nor shall any special tax be imposed upon manufacturing chemists or flavoring extract manufacturers for recovering tax-paid alcohol or spirituous liquors from dregs or marc of percolation or extraction if said recovered alcohol or spirituous liquors be again used in the manufacture of flavoring extracts.”

Chemists recovering tax-paid alcohol to be reused.

Approved, March 3, 1915.

**CHAP. 79.**—An Act To better regulate the serving of licensed officers in the merchant marine of the United States and to promote safety at sea.

March 3, 1915.  
[H. R. 16392.]

[Public, No. 267.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That sections forty-four hundred and forty-eight and forty-four hundred and forty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and are hereby, amended to read as follows:

Steamboat inspection.

“Sec. 4448. That all officers licensed under the provisions of this title shall assist the inspectors in their examination of any vessels to which such licensed officers belong and shall point out all defects and imperfections known to them in the hull, equipments, boilers, or machinery of such vessel, and shall also make known to the inspectors at the earliest opportunity all accidents or occurrences producing serious injury to the vessel, her equipments, boilers, or machinery, and in default thereof the license of any such officer so neglecting or refusing shall be suspended or revoked.

Licensed officers to assist inspectors, point out defects, etc.  
R. S., sec. 4448, p. 861, amended.

Inspector not to impart source of information.

"No inspector or supervising inspector receiving information from a licensed officer who is employed on any vessel as to defects in such vessel, or her equipments, boilers, or machinery, or that any provision of this title is being violated, shall impart the name of such licensed officer, or the source of his information, to any person other than his superiors in the Steamboat-Inspection Service. Any inspector or supervising inspector violating this provision shall be subject to dismissal from the service.

Revocation or suspension of license on refusal of officer to perform official duties, etc. R. S., sec. 4449, p. 861, amended. Vol. 33, p. 1030.

"SEC. 4449. That if any licensed officer shall, to the hindrance of commerce, wrongfully or unreasonably refuse to perform his official duties after having signed articles or while employed on any vessel as authorized by the terms of his certificate of license, or if any pilot or engineer shall refuse to admit into the pilot house or engine room any person whom the master or owner of the vessel may desire to place there for the purpose of learning the profession, his license shall be revoked or suspended upon the same proceedings as are provided in other cases of revocation or suspension of such license."

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 2. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 3, 1915.

March 3, 1915.  
[H. R. 19422.]

[Public, No. 268.]

**CHAP. 80.**—An Act Making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia appropriations. Half from District revenues.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That one half of the following sums, respectively, is appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the other half out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, in full for the following expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, namely:

Joint Congressional Committee to report on proportionate share of expenses.

That a joint select committee shall be appointed, consisting of three Senators, to be named by the Presiding Officer of the Senate, and three Members of the House, to be named by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, whose duty it shall be to prepare and submit to Congress a statement of the proper proportion of the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia, or any branch thereof, including interest on the funded debt, which shall be borne by said District and the United States, respectively, together with the reasons upon which their conclusions may be based; and in discharge of the duty hereby imposed said committee is authorized to employ such assistance as it may deem advisable, at an expense not to exceed the sum of \$5,000; and said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for that purpose: *Provided*, That the report of said committee shall be submitted to the Congress not later than the first day of January, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Expenses.

*Proviso.*  
Time for submission.

General expenses.

## GENERAL EXPENSES.

Executive office. Salaries, Commissioners, etc.

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE:** Two commissioners, at \$5,000 each; engineer commissioner, so much as may be necessary (to make salary \$5,000); secretary, \$2,400; assistant secretaries to commissioners—three at \$1,600 each; clerks—one \$1,500, one \$1,400, three at \$1,200 each, one (who shall be a stenographer and typewriter) \$1,200, one \$840, two at \$720 each; messengers—two at \$600 each; stenographer and typewriter, \$840;