

[CHAPTER 476.]

AN ACT

To amend an Act of Congress approved June 18, 1898, entitled "An Act to regulate plumbing and gas fitting in the District of Columbia."

July 14, 1932.  
[S. 3400.]  
[Public, No. 280.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That sections 3 and 4 of the Act of Congress approved June 18, 1898, entitled "An Act to regulate plumbing and gas fitting in the District of Columbia," be, and the same are hereby, amended to read as follows:

District of Columbia. Regulation of plumbing and gas fitting. Vol. 30, p. 477, amended. Master plumbers and gas fitters. Qualifications for license extended.

"SEC. 3. That applicants for licenses as master plumbers and gas fitters or master gas fitters, who are citizens of the United States, must be twenty-one years of age, must make application in their own handwriting, and must accompany such application with a certificate as to good character signed by at least three reputable residents of the District of Columbia, two of whom shall certify that the applicants have had at least four years' experience in the plumbing and gas-fitting business.

"SEC. 4. That all renewals of existing licenses and all new licenses as a master plumber and gas fitter or master gas fitter shall be for a period of not more than one year and that the fee for such license shall be not less than \$10 nor more than \$25 per annum, to be fixed by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, for a license year beginning January 1 and ending December 31. Such special license fee shall be separate from, or in addition to any contractors' or business license tax, hereafter fixed for this and similar occupations by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia according to law. Licenses issued at any time after the beginning of the year shall date from the first day of the month in which the license is issued and end on the last day of the license year, and payment shall be made of a proportional amount of the annual license fee. Any licensee may apply for and receive a license for or on behalf of any firm, copartnership, or corporation that he is a bona fide member of, or a substantial stockholder in, but all plumbing or gas fitting done pursuant to such license shall be done under the immediate personal supervision of the licensed man.

Fees increased.

To be additional to any contractors', etc., license tax.

For portion of year.

Corporations, etc.

"The Commissioners of the District of Columbia or their duly authorized agent shall have the power to suspend or revoke any plumber's or gas fitter's license for a violation of the plumbing or gas-fitting regulations after a public hearing granted the licensee or after conviction in court for such violation or for conduct involving moral turpitude. This Act shall become effective on the 1st day of January following its enactment."

Authority of commissioners.

Effective date.

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[CHAPTER 477.]

AN ACT

To permit the United States to be made a party defendant in certain cases.

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, upon the conditions herein prescribed for the protection of the United States, the consent of the United States be, and it is hereby, given to be named a party in any suit which may hereafter be brought in the District Court of the United States for the Western District of New York, for the purpose of quieting the title to, determining conflicting claims to, or removing clouds from the title to the following-described real property:

Buffalo, N. Y. Consent to name United States party defendant to quiet title, etc., to certain lands in.

Description.

All that tract or parcel of land situate in the city of Buffalo, county of Erie and State of New York, being part of the parish tract, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the center line of Amherst Street extended with the United States harbor line, established in 1907; thence east along the center line of Amherst Street two hundred and fifty-five feet, more or less, to a point which is thirty-four feet west from the inner line of the west wall of the Erie Canal, measuring along the center line of Amherst Street; thence south twenty-three degrees twenty minutes east parallel to said canal wall, two hundred and seven and thirty-seven one-hundredths feet, more or less, to the southerly line of lot 7, as shown on map recorded in Erie County clerk's office in liber numbered 242 of deeds, page 298; thence west along the south line of said lot 7 and extension thereof to the United States harbor line, 1907; thence northwesterly along the said United States harbor line two hundred and twenty-two and twenty-three one-hundredths feet, more or less, to the point or place of beginning; excepting and reserving therefrom a strip of land twenty-two feet wide lying south of and adjacent to said center line of Amherst Street extending from Erie Canal to the present dock front, for street purposes.

Service of process.

SEC. 2. Service upon the United States shall be made by serving the process of the court with a copy of the bill of complaint upon the United States attorney for the western district of New York, and by sending copies of the process and bill of complaint by registered mail to the Attorney General of the United States at Washington, District of Columbia. The United States shall have thirty days after service as above provided, or such further time as the court may allow, within which to appear and answer, plead, or otherwise proceed.

Copies to Attorney General.

Judgment to be rendered under State laws.

SEC. 3. Except as herein otherwise provided, such judgment may be rendered in any such suit as might under like circumstances be rendered under the laws of the State of New York, if the suit were between private persons, and such judgment may determine the right, title, and interest of the parties to said suit, in and to the above-described real property.

No Federal liability.

SEC. 4. No judgment for costs or other money judgment shall be rendered against the United States in any suit or proceeding which may be instituted under the provisions of this Act. The United States shall not be nor become liable for the payment of the costs of any such suit or proceeding, or any part thereof.

Approved, July 14, 1932.

#### [CHAPTER 478.]

#### AN ACT

To amend sections 5 and 6 of the Act of June 30, 1906, entitled "An Act to prohibit the killing of wild birds and wild animals in the District of Columbia," and thereby to establish a game and bird sanctuary of the Potomac River and its tributaries in the said District.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 5 of the Act of June 30, 1906 (34 Stat. 808), entitled "An Act to prohibit the killing of wild birds and wild animals in the District of Columbia," is hereby amended by striking out the words "with any boat propelled by any means other than oars," so that the said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SEC. 5. That no person in the District of Columbia shall at any time hunt, pursue, or needlessly disturb any wild duck, goose, or

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District of Columbia.  
Killing of wild birds  
and wild animals.  
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amended.  
Words stricken out.  
Amended section.

Hunting, etc., water-  
fowl unlawful.