

[CHAPTER 744]

AN ACT

August 24, 1937
[S. 2682]

[Public, No. 346]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents to States under the provisions of section 8 of the Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1269), as amended by the Act of June 26, 1936 (49 Stat. 1976), subject to prior leases issued under section 15 of the said Act.

Public lands.
Issuance of patents
to States of certain
lands under desig-
nated laws.
48 Stat. 1269; 49
Stat. 1976.
43 U. S. C. § 315;
Supp. II, § 315.

Proviso.
Accountability.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior in adjudicating State exchanges, under section 8 of the Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1269), as amended by the Act of June 26, 1936 (49 Stat. 1976), involving lands embraced in outstanding leases under section 15 of said Act issued prior to the filing of the State exchange application, is hereby authorized upon the request of any State to issue patent to the State, subject to such outstanding lease: *Provided,* That the United States shall not by reason of the issuance of any such patents be required to account to the State for any money due and collected prior thereto as rent for any part of the then-current annual rental period except as is now provided by law.

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[CHAPTER 745]

AN ACT

August 24, 1937
[S. 2901]

[Public, No. 347]

To amend subsection (e) of section 9 of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended.

Trading with the
Enemy Act, amend-
ment.
42 Stat. 1514.

Reciprocal release of
sequestered prop-
erty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (e) of section 9 of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, is amended by inserting after the words "unless such nation in like case extends reciprocal rights to citizens of the United States" a colon and the following: "*Provided,* That any arrangement made by a foreign nation for the release of money and other property of American citizens and certified by the Secretary of State to the Attorney General as fair and the most advantageous arrangement obtainable shall be regarded as meeting this requirement."

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[CHAPTER 746]

AN ACT

August 24, 1937
[H. R. 2702]

[Public, No. 348]

To permit grand-jury extensions to be ordered by any district judge.

Judicial Code,
amendment.
26 Stat. 1165.
28 U. S. C. § 421.

Summoning of
grand juries.

Second grand jury
in large cities.

Third jury, south-
ern district of New
York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 284 of the Judicial Code, as amended (U. S. C., title 28, sec. 421), be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 284. No grand jury shall be summoned to attend any district court unless the judge thereof, in his own discretion or upon a notification by the district attorney that such jury will be needed, orders a venire to issue therefor. If the United States attorney for any district which has a city or borough containing at least three hundred thousand inhabitants shall certify in writing to a district judge of the district that the exigencies of the public service require it, the judge may, in his discretion, also order a venire to issue for a second grand jury. If the United States attorney for the southern district of New York shall certify in writing to the senior district judge of said district that the exigencies of the public service require

it, said judge may, in his discretion, also order a venire to issue for a third grand jury. The district court may in term order a grand jury to be summoned at such time, and to serve such time as it may direct, whenever, in its judgment, it may be proper to do so. A district judge may, upon request of the district attorney or of the grand jury or on his own motion, by order authorize any grand jury to continue to sit during the term succeeding the term at which such request is made, solely to finish investigations begun but not finished by such grand jury, but no grand jury shall be permitted to sit in all during more than three terms. Nothing herein shall operate to extend beyond the time permitted by law the imprisonment before indictment found of a person accused of crime or offense, or the time during which a person so accused may be held under recognizance before indictment found."

Approved, August 24, 1937.

Extensions to complete investigations; limitation.

Imprisonment before indictment, etc., time limit not extended.

[CHAPTER 747]

AN ACT

To amend the bank-robbery statute to include burglary and larceny.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (a) of section 2 of the Act of May 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 783; U. S. C., title 12, sec. 588b), be and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"(a) Whoever, by force and violence, or by putting in fear, feloniously takes, or feloniously attempts to take, from the person or presence of another any property or money or any other thing of value belonging to, or in the care, custody, control, management, or possession of, any bank; or whoever shall enter or attempt to enter any bank, or any building used in whole or in part as a bank, with intent to commit in such bank or building, or part thereof, so used, any felony or larceny, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both; or whoever shall take and carry away, with intent to steal or purloin, any property or money or any other thing of value exceeding \$50 belonging to, or in the care, custody, control, management, or possession of any bank, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; or whoever shall take and carry away, with intent to steal or purloin, any property or money or any other thing of value not exceeding \$50 belonging to, or in the care, custody, control, management, or possession of any bank, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both."

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Offenses against banks.
48 Stat. 783.
12 U. S. C. § 588b.

Bank robbery; burglary and larceny added.

Penalty provisions.

[CHAPTER 748]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing an appropriation for the expenses of participation by the United States in the Inter-American Radio Conference to be held in 1937 at Habana, Cuba.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$15,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the expenses of participation by the United States in the Inter-American Radio Conference to be held in 1937 at Habana,

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Inter-American Radio Conference, 1937.
Appropriation authorized for participation expenses.
Post, p. 770.