

SEC. 17. Section 8 (c) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended by section 101 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, is hereby amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

“(6) In determining normal yield per acre for any farm under this section in the case of wheat or corn, the normal yield shall be the average yield per acre thereon for such commodity during the ten calendar years immediately preceding the calendar year in which such yield is determined, adjusted for abnormal weather conditions and trends in yields. If for any such year the data are not available, or there is no actual yield, then the normal yield for the farm shall be appraised in accordance with regulations of the Secretary, taking into consideration abnormal weather conditions, the normal yield for the county, and the yield in years for which data are available.”

SEC. 18. Section 8 (g) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended, is amended by striking out the second and third sentences and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “Such assignment shall be signed by the farmer and witnessed by a member of the county or other local committee, or by the treasurer or the secretary of such committee, and filed with the county agent or the county committee. Such assignment shall include the statement that the assignment is not made to pay or secure any preexisting indebtedness.”

SEC. 19. The proclamations heretofore issued by the Secretary of Agriculture under sections 312 (a), 327, 328, and 345 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 shall be effective as provided in said sections, and no provision of any amendment made by this Act shall be construed as requiring any further action under section 312 (c) or 347 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to marketing years beginning in 1938.

Approved, April 7, 1938.

Wheat or corn, determining normal yield for any farm.
Ante, p. 33.

Assignment of payment.
Ante, p. 35.

Proclamations by Secretary of Agriculture under designated sections, when effective.
Ante, pp. 46, 51, 52, 58.
Ante, pp. 46, 59.

[CHAPTER 108]

AN ACT

To amend the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, to extend its provisions to wool tops.

April 7, 1938
[S. 3105]

[Public, No. 471]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third sentence of section 2 of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. II, title 7, sec. 2), is amended to read as follows: “The word ‘commodity’ shall mean wheat, cotton, rice, corn, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed, grain sorghums, mill feeds, butter, eggs, *Solanum tuberosum* (Irish potatoes), and wool tops.”

Approved, April 7, 1938.

Commodity Exchange Act, amendment.

Provisions of, extended to wool tops.
49 Stat. 1491.
7 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 2.

[CHAPTER 109]

AN ACT

Authorizing the State of Maryland, by and through its State Roads Commission or the successors of said commission, to construct, maintain, and operate certain bridges across streams, rivers, and navigable waters which are wholly or partly within the State.

April 7, 1938
[H. R. 3714]

[Public, No. 472]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to promote interstate commerce, improve the postal service, and provide for military and other purposes, the State of Maryland by and through its State Roads Commission or the successors of said commission be,

State of Maryland, Bridge or tunnel construction, etc.