

save and except that the Treasury shall set up and maintain from such receipts a continuing fund of \$500,000, to the credit of the Bureau and subject to expenditure by it, to defray the operating expense of generation and transmission of power delivered to the Bureau for disposal under this Act, to defray emergency expenses and to insure continuous operation. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated from time to time, out of moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, including installation of equipment and machinery for the generation of electric energy, and facilities for its transmission and sale.

Continuing fund to be set up, etc.

Emergency expenses, etc.
Appropriations authorized.

SEC. 11. The Secretary of the Interior may, in the name of the United States, under the supervision of the Attorney General, bring such suits at law or in equity as in his judgment may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act; and he shall be represented in the prosecution and defense of all litigation affecting the status or operation of the Fort Peck project by the United States attorneys for the districts, respectively, in which such litigation may arise, or by such attorney or attorneys as the Attorney General may designate as authorized by law, in conjunction with the regularly employed attorneys of the Bureau.

Suits necessary for execution of Act authorized.

SEC. 12. If any provision of this Act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, the remainder of the Act and the application of such provisions to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

Separability provision.

Approved, May 18, 1938.

[CHAPTER 251]

AN ACT

To provide for the administration and maintenance of the Natchez Trace Parkway, in the States of Mississippi, Alabama, and Tennessee, by the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes.

May 18, 1938
[H. R. 6652]

[Public, No. 530]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all lands and easements heretofore and hereafter conveyed to the United States by the States of Mississippi, Alabama, and Tennessee for the right-of-way for the projected parkway between Natchez, Mississippi, and Nashville, Tennessee, together with sites acquired or to be acquired for recreational areas in connection therewith, and a right-of-way for said parkway of a width sufficient to include the highway and all bridges, ditches, cuts, and fills appurtenant thereto, but not exceeding a maximum of two hundred feet through Government-owned lands (except that where small parcels of Government-owned lands would otherwise be isolated, or where topographic conditions or scenic requirements are such that bridges, ditches, cuts, fills, parking overlooks, and landscape development could not reasonably be confined to a width of two hundred feet, the said maximum may be increased to such width as may be necessary, with the written approval of the department or agency having jurisdiction over such lands) as designated on maps heretofore or hereafter approved by the Secretary of the Interior, shall be known as the Natchez Trace Parkway and shall be administered and maintained by the Secretary of the Interior through the National Park Service, subject to the provisions of the Act of Congress approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", the provisions of which Act, as amended and sup-

Natchez Trace Parkway, Miss., Ala., and Tenn.

Administration and maintenance of right-of-way, etc.

Sites for recreational areas.

Right-of-way width.

Name.

39 Stat. 535.
16 U. S. C. § 1-4;
Supp. III, § 2.

Provisos.
Connection of roads
and trails with park-
way.

Coordination of recreational develop-
ments with Forest
Service.

Revocable licenses
or permits for rights-
of-way, etc.

plemented, are hereby extended over and made applicable to said parkway: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Interior, to connect with said parkway such roads and trails as may be necessary for the protection, administration, or utilization of adjacent and nearby national forests and the resources thereof: *And provided further*, That the Forest Service and the National Park Service shall, insofar as practicable, coordinate and correlate such recreational developments as each may plan, construct, or permit to be constructed, on lands within their respective jurisdictions, which, by mutual agreement, should be given special treatment for recreational purposes.

SEC. 2. In the administration of the Natchez Trace Parkway, the Secretary of the Interior may issue revocable licenses or permits for rights-of-way over, across, and upon parkway lands, or for the use of parkway lands by the owners or lessees of adjacent lands, for such purposes and under such nondiscriminatory terms, regulations, and conditions as he may determine to be not inconsistent with the use of such lands for parkway purposes.

Approved, May 18, 1938.

[CHAPTER 253]

AN ACT

To amend section 203 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 203 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, is hereby amended by inserting "(a)" after "SEC. 203.", and by adding at the end of such section a subsection to read as follows:

"(b) All payments made by the United States Shipping Board (Emergency) Merchant Fleet Corporation to its employees in settlement of its liability arising out of contracts of employment between said United States Shipping Board (Emergency) Merchant Fleet Corporation and its employees on account of leave earned in the years 1918-1919 are hereby approved and confirmed. All persons to whom such payments were made are hereby released from any liability to refund or repay to the Government such payments, and no deductions on account of any such payments shall be made from any amounts otherwise due or payable out of Government funds to such persons."

Approved, May 18, 1938.

[CHAPTER 254]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize an appropriation for the expenses of participation by the United States in the Third Pan American Highway Conference.

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 Third Pan American Highway Conference, to be held in Chile during the fiscal year 1939, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, without reference to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended; stenographic reporting, translating, and

May 18, 1938
[H. R. 10316]
[Public, No. 531]

Merchant Marine
Act, 1936, amend-
ment.
49 Stat. 1987.
46 U. S. C., Supp.
III, § 1113.

U. S. Shipping
Board (Emergency)
Merchant Fleet Cor-
poration employees.

Payments to, on
account of leave
earned in 1918-19 ap-
proved.

Release from liabil-
ity to refund or repay.

May 20, 1938
[S. J. Res. 284]
[Pub. Res., No. 96]

Pan American High-
way Conference,
Third.

Appropriation au-
thorized for partici-
pation.

Post, p. 1147.