

## [CHAPTER 26]

## AN ACT

March 29, 1939

[H. R. 950]

[Public, No. 16]

To exempt all vessels of the United States of less than two hundred tons gross registered tonnage from the provisions of the Officers' Competency Certificates Convention, 1936 (being International Labor Conference Treaty, Convention Numbered 53, adopted by the International Labor Conference at Geneva in 1936).

Officers' Competency Certificates Convention, 1936.

Exemption of American vessels under 200 tons from provisions of.

Post, p. 1049.

Proviso. Existing, etc., statutes regarding exempted vessels.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That pursuant to the authority granted in the second clause of Article One of the Officers' Competency Certificates Convention, 1936, ratified by the President of the United States on September 1, 1938, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of the United States, given June 13, 1938 (being International Labor Conference Treaty, Draft Convention, Numbered 53, adopted by the International Labor Conference at Geneva in 1936), vessels of the United States of less than two hundred tons gross registered tonnage are hereby exempted from the provisions of such convention: *Provided, however,* That neither the ratification of the said convention by the President of the United States, nor the advice and consent of the United States Senate given thereto, nor any provision of the said convention as ratified, nor any provision of this Act shall be deemed to alter, amend, or repeal any statute of the United States existing at the time of said ratification, or thereafter enacted, with regard to any such vessel of less than two hundred tons gross registered tonnage.

Approved, March 29, 1939.

## [CHAPTER 27]

## AN ACT

March 29, 1939

[H. R. 2192]

[Public, No. 17]

To extend the time for commencing and completing bridges across Cross Bayou, Twelve Mile Bayou, and Caddo Lake in Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

Caddo Parish, La. Time extended for commencing and completing construction of certain bridges.

50 Stat. 697.

Amendment.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the times for commencing and completing the construction of bridges across Cross Bayou at Shreveport, Louisiana; across Twelve Mile Bayou, approximately three miles north of Shreveport, Louisiana; and across Caddo Lake at or near Mooringsport, Louisiana, authorized to be built by the Louisiana Highway Commission and/or the Parish of Caddo, Louisiana, by an Act of Congress approved August 19, 1937, are hereby extended, with respect to each bridge, one and three years, respectively, from August 19, 1939.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 29, 1939.

## [CHAPTER 28]

## JOINT RESOLUTION

March 29, 1939

[H. J. Res. 150]

[Pub. Res., No. 6]

To amend the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to provide that the United States extend to foreign governments invitations to participate in the Third International Congress for Microbiology to be held in the United States during the calendar year 1939."

Third International Congress for Microbiology.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to provide that the United States extend to foreign governments invitations to participate in the Third International Congress for Microbiology to be held in the United