

[CHAPTER 641]

## AN ACT

To provide for the transfer of certain land in the De Soto National Forest to the Secretary of War for use for military purposes.

July 19, 1940  
[S. 4119]  
[Public, No. 754]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That upon request of the Secretary of War, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to transfer to the Secretary of War, for military purposes, such tracts of land, not in excess of sixty-five thousand acres, contiguous to the Camp Shelby State Military Reservation, Mississippi, and now included within the limits of the De Soto National Forest, Mississippi, as the Secretary of War may select: *Provided*, That in the event the area transferred pursuant to the provisions of this Act shall cease to be used for military purposes, it shall revert to its former national forest status.

De Soto National  
Forest, Miss.  
Transfer of land.

*Proviso.*  
Reversionary pro-  
vision.

Approved, July 19, 1940.

[CHAPTER 642]

## AN ACT

To encourage travel in the United States, and for other purposes.

July 19, 1940  
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*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 is authorized and directed, through the National Park Service, to encourage, promote, and develop travel within the United States, its Territories and possessions, providing such activities do not compete with the activities of private agencies; and to administer all existing travel promotion functions of the Department of the Interior through such Service.

Encouragement of  
travel within U. S.

SEC. 2. In carrying out the purposes of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to cooperate with public and private tourist, travel, and other agencies in the display of exhibits, and in the collection, publication, and dissemination of information with respect to places of interest, routes, transportation facilities, accommodations, and such other matters as he deems advisable and advantageous for the purpose of encouraging, promoting, or developing such travel. Nothing in this Act shall prohibit the preparation of graphic materials in foreign languages, designed to call attention to the attractions and places of interest in the United States and to encourage the use of American registered ships and planes. The existing facilities of the United States Government in foreign countries are hereby authorized to assist in the distribution of this material. The Secretary may enter into contracts with private publishers for such printing and binding as he may deem advisable in carrying out the purposes of this Act. The Secretary is also authorized to make charges for any publications made available to the public pursuant to this Act; and any proceeds from the sale of publications produced by the expenditure of contributed funds shall continue to be available for printing and binding as aforesaid.

Cooperation with  
tourist, etc., agencies.

Graphic materials  
in foreign languages;  
distribution.

Printing and bind-  
ing.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to create an advisory committee to consist of a representative from each of the Departments of State, Agriculture, and Commerce, the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Civil Aeronautics Authority, and the United States Maritime Commission, as may be designated by such Departments or agencies, respectively, and such additional members, representatives of the various sections of the Nation, including transportation and accommodations agencies, not to exceed six members, to be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior to serve at his pleas-

Advisory commit-  
tee.