

tives, Miscellaneous Items”, for the particular fiscal year involved and each such part shall be paid to the Architect of the Capitol by the Clerk of the House of Representatives in such sum as such appropriation or appropriations shall hereafter specify and shall be deposited by such Architect in full in such special deposit account.

(c) Deposits and disbursements under such special deposit account (1) shall be made by the Architect, or, when directed by him, by such employees of the Architect as he may designate, and (2) shall be subject to audit by the General Accounting Office at such times and in such manner as the Comptroller General may direct: *Provided*, That payments made by or under the direction of the Architect of the Capitol from such special deposit account shall be conclusive upon all officers of the government.

(d) The Architect, Assistant Architect, and any employees of the Architect designated by the Architect under subsection (c) hereof shall each give bond in the sum of \$5,000 with such surety as the Secretary of the Treasury may approve for the handling of the financial transactions under such special deposit account.

SEC. 209. This Act may be cited as the “First Supplemental Civil Functions Appropriation Act, 1941”.

Approved, October 9, 1940.

Deposits and disbursements.

*Proviso.*  
Payments.

Bond.

Short title.

[CHAPTER 781]

AN ACT

To authorize the leasing of certain Indian lands subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

October 9, 1940  
[S. 253]

[Public, No. 813]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, any Indian lands on the Port Madison and Snohomish or Tulalip Indian Reservations in the State of Washington, may be leased by the Indians with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, and upon such terms and conditions as he may prescribe, for a term not exceeding twenty-five years: *Provided, however*, That such leases may provide for renewal for an additional term not exceeding twenty-five years, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Washington.  
Lease of designated Indian lands.

*Proviso.*  
Renewal; rules, etc.

Approved, October 9, 1940.

[CHAPTER 782]

AN ACT

For the relief of certain former disbursing officers for the Civil Works Administration and the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

October 9, 1940  
[S. 3968]

[Public, No. 814]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Comptroller General of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to allow credit in the accounts of disbursing officers for payments made in good faith on public account from appropriations made available to the Civil Works Administration and the Federal Emergency Relief Administration for expenditure, notwithstanding the failure to comply with requirements of existing law or regulations: *Provided*, That the Commissioner of Work Projects or his duly authorized representative shall certify that the payments appear to be free from fraud or collusion on the part of the disbursing officer making the payment.

Civil Works and Federal Emergency Relief Administrations.  
Relief of former disbursing officers.

*Proviso.*  
Freedom from fraud.

Liability of certifying officer.

SEC. 2. No charge shall be made against the certifying officer for the amount of any payment for which credit shall be allowed under the preceding section where the Commissioner of Work Projects or his duly authorized representative certifies that the payment appears to have been made without fraud or collusion on the part of the certifying officer.

Approved, October 9, 1940.

[CHAPTER 783]

AN ACT

To remove the restriction placed upon the use of certain lands acquired in connection with the expansion of Mitchel Field, New York.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the item contained in the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1937 (50 Stat. 452), entitled "An Act making appropriations for the Military Establishment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938, and for other purposes", providing for the acquisition of land in the vicinity of Mitchel Field, New York, three hundred and forty-two acres, more or less, to be used exclusively for runways, \$500,000, is hereby amended so as to remove the restriction thereby placed on the use of the land so authorized to be acquired: *Provided*, That the use of said land for any other purpose shall in no way interfere with the effective use of the runways placed thereon.

Approved, October 9, 1940.

[CHAPTER 784]

AN ACT

To repeal sections 4588 and 4591 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That sections 4588 and 4591 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (U. S. C., title 46, secs. 686 and 687) be, and they are hereby, repealed.

SEC. 2. All certificates heretofore issued to seamen under the authority of section 4588 of the Revised Statutes of the United States are hereby declared void.

Approved, October 9, 1940.

[CHAPTER 785]

AN ACT

To confer jurisdiction upon certain United States commissioners to try petty offenses committed on Federal reservations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any United States commissioner specially designated for that purpose by the court by which he was appointed shall have jurisdiction to try and, if found guilty, to sentence persons charged with petty offenses against the law, or rules and regulations made in pursuance of law, committed in any place over which the Congress has exclusive power to legislate or over which the United States has concurrent jurisdiction, and within the judicial district for which such commissioner was appointed. The probation laws shall be applicable to persons so tried before United States commissioners. For the purposes of this Act the term "petty offense" shall be defined as in section 335 of the Criminal Code (U. S. C., title 18, sec. 541). If any person charged with such petty offense shall so elect, however, he shall be tried in the district court of the United States which has jurisdiction

October 9, 1940

[S. 4258]

[Public, No. 815]

Mitchel Field, N.Y.  
Removal of restriction on use of land.

*Proviso.*  
Noninterference with use of runways.

October 9, 1940

[S. 4316]

[Public, No. 816]

R. S. §§ 4588, 4591, repeal.

Seamen's certificates.

October 9, 1940

[H. R. 1998]

[Public, No. 817]

U. S. commissioners.  
Jurisdiction to try petty offenses.

Probation laws.  
"Petty offense" defined.  
46 Stat. 1029.  
Right of defendant to be tried in district court of U. S.