

south nineteen degrees west twenty-four chains; thence along top of divide north fifty degrees east thirty-two chains to corner numbered 4 at junction of ridge, extending northeasterly; thence along top of ridge north thirteen degrees east one hundred and sixty chains to corner numbered 5; thence west forty-eight chains to intake dam on unnamed creek, from which the town of Petersburg draws its domestic water supply; thence west fifty-eight and forty one-hundredths chains to the place of beginning, containing one thousand six hundred and twenty-seven acres.

Administration.

SEC. 2. The lands hereinbefore described and reserved for municipal water-supply purposes, which are within the Tongass National Forest, shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture, for the purpose of storing, conserving, and protecting from pollution the said water supply, and preserving, improving, and increasing the timber growth on said lands, to more fully accomplish such purposes; and to that end said municipality shall have the right, subject to the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture, to the use of any and all parts of the lands reserved for the storage and conveying of water and construction and maintenance thereon of all improvements for such purposes: *Provided*, That the merchantable timber on the land to be used by the said municipality may be sold by the Secretary of Agriculture under rules and regulations to be prescribed by him: *And provided further*, That the right to the use by the town of Petersburg of the lands reserved by this Act shall terminate upon the abandonment of the use by such municipality in accordance with the terms of this Act, and upon a finding of such nonuse or abandonment, for a period of two years, by the Secretary of Agriculture, whereupon the reservation created by this Act shall terminate to the extent of such lands involved.

Right of municipality.

Provisos.
Sale of timber.

Reversionary provisions.

Regulations.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized to prescribe and enforce such regulations as may be found necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act, including the right to forbid persons other than those authorized by him and the municipal authorities of said municipal corporation from entering or otherwise trespassing upon these lands, and any violation of this Act or of regulations issued thereunder shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punishable as is provided for in section 5050, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933.

Prior rights.

SEC. 4. Nothing herein contained shall affect any valid right or claim to any part of said lands heretofore acquired under any law of the United States.

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[CHAPTER 895]

AN ACT

Authorizing the improvement of certain rivers and harbors in the interest of the national defense, and for other purposes.

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Rivers and harbors.
Improvements in interest of national defense.

Ante, p. 506.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following works of improvement of rivers, harbors, and other waterways are hereby adopted and authorized, to be prosecuted in the interest of the national defense under the direction of the Secretary of War and supervision of the Chief of Engineers, in accordance with the plans recommended in the respective reports hereinafter designated and subject to conditions set forth therein:

Maine.

Kennebec River, Maine; improvement in accordance with the report on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers;

Massachusetts.

Boston Harbor, Massachusetts; House Documents Numbered 225 and 362, Seventy-sixth Congress;

- Nantasket (Hull) Gut and Weymouth Fore River, Massachusetts; House Document Numbered 568, Seventy-sixth Congress;
- Raritan River, New Jersey; channel to the Raritan Arsenal in accordance with the report on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers; New Jersey.
- Baltimore Harbor, Maryland; channel in Curtis Creek in accordance with the report on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers; Maryland.
- Middle River and Dark Head Creek, Maryland; House Document Numbered 556, Seventy-sixth Congress;
- Norfolk Harbor, Virginia; House Document Numbered 683, Seventy-sixth Congress; Virginia.
- Portsmouth Harbor, Virginia; channel to Nansemond Ordnance Depot in accordance with the report on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers;
- Channel from Manteo to Oregon Inlet, North Carolina; House Document Numbered 313, Seventy-sixth Congress; North Carolina.
- Silver Lake Harbor, North Carolina; House Document Numbered 325, Seventy-sixth Congress;
- Charleston Harbor, South Carolina; House Document Numbered 259, Seventy-sixth Congress; South Carolina.
- Charleston Harbor, South Carolina; channel to the ordnance depot in accordance with the report on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers;
- Mobile Harbor, Alabama; House Documents Numbered 221 and 282, Seventy-sixth Congress; Alabama.
- Sabine-Neches Waterway at Orange, Texas, in accordance with report on file in the Office of the Chief of Engineers; Texas.
- Corpus Christi, Texas; channel to and including a turning basin at Navy seaplane base, Encinal Peninsula, in accordance with the report on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers;
- Oswego Harbor, New York; House Document Numbered 96, Seventy-sixth Congress; New York.
- San Diego Harbor, California; House Document Numbered 844, Seventy-sixth Congress; California.
- Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, California; House Document Numbered 843, Seventy-sixth Congress, and in accordance with plans developed in conjunction with the Navy Department for modifying the alinement and increasing the length of the breakwater to approximately twenty-one thousand feet;
- Sitka Harbor, Alaska; House Document Numbered 331, Seventy-sixth Congress; Alaska.
- Kodiak Harbor, Alaska; House Document Numbered 332, Seventy-sixth Congress;
- Keehi Lagoon, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii; House Document Numbered 329, Seventy-sixth Congress; and Hawaii.
- San Juan Harbor, Puerto Rico; House Document Numbered 364, Seventy-sixth Congress; Puerto Rico.
- SEC. 2. The following modifications of projects, involving no cost to the United States, in addition to that heretofore authorized, are hereby adopted and authorized to be prosecuted:
- Wilmington Harbor, Delaware; in accordance with the provisions of House Document Numbered 658, Seventy-sixth Congress; Wilmington, Del.
- Cleveland Harbor, Ohio; the existing project set forth in House Document Numbered 84, Seventy-fourth Congress, and authorized by Public Law Numbered 392, Seventy-fifth Congress, is hereby modified to provide that cuts or partial cuts may be made before the related railroad bridges are modified or rebuilt when in the opinion of the Chief of Engineers such procedure will be advantageous to navigation; Cleveland, Ohio.
- The second proviso in section 2 of the Act of August 26, 1937 (50 Stat. 844, 850), authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes, 50 Stat. 849.
- Central Valley project, Calif., reauthorization.

is hereby amended to read as follows: "*Provided further*, That the entire Central Valley project, California, heretofore authorized and established under the provisions of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 (49 Stat. 115) and the First Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1936 (49 Stat. 1622), is hereby reauthorized and declared to be for the purposes of improving navigation, regulating the flow of the San Joaquin River and the Sacramento River, controlling floods, providing for storage and for the delivery of the stored waters thereof, for construction under the provisions of the Federal reclamation laws of such distribution systems as the Secretary of the Interior deems necessary in connection with lands for which said stored waters are to be delivered, for the reclamation of arid and semi-arid lands and lands of Indian reservations, and other beneficial uses, and for the generation and sale of electric energy as a means of financially aiding and assisting such undertakings, and in order to permit the full utilization of the works constructed to accomplish the aforesaid purposes."

Purposes declared.

37 Stat. 222.
33 U. S. C. § 603.

46 Stat. 946.
33 U. S. C. § 603.

Preliminary examinations and surveys.

Removal of temporary obstructions from tributary waters.

Proriso.
Cost limitation.

Red River, Tex. and Okla.
Denison Reservoir project, purpose declared.
52 Stat. 1219.

SEC. 3. That the paragraph in section 1 of the River and Harbor Act, approved July 25, 1912, authorizing the removal of temporary obstructions from tributaries of waterways under Federal improvement (37 Stat. L. 722), as amended in section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public work on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes", approved July 3, 1930, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The Chief of Engineers, in his discretion, and after approval by the Secretary of War, is hereby authorized to make preliminary examinations and minor surveys preliminary thereto and to remove snags and other temporary or readily removable obstructions from tributaries of waterways already under Federal improvement or in general use by navigation, or to make such minor improvements in any of the navigable waters of the United States as he may deem advisable in the interest of national defense, the cost thereof to be paid from funds appropriated for the maintenance and improvement of rivers and harbors: *Provided*, That the cost of such work in any single year shall not exceed \$3,000 per tributary."

SEC. 4. The project for the Denison Reservoir on Red River in Texas and Oklahoma, authorized by the Flood Control Act approved June 28, 1938, is hereby declared to be for the purpose of improving navigation, regulating the flow of the Red River, controlling floods, and for other beneficial uses.

Approved, October 17, 1940.

[CHAPTER 896]

AN ACT

To amend section 4551 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, 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 4551 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. V, title 46, sec. 643), is amended by the addition of a new subsection lettered (1), reading as follows:

"(1) The master of every vessel subject to the provisions of this section shall submit, over his signature, reports to the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation of the employment, discharge, or termination of services of every seaman not shipped or discharged before a shipping commissioner, which reports shall contain such of the following information as may be required by regulation of the

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