

and management of the affairs and funds of the society, and a majority of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, unless a less number be specified as a quorum in the bylaws, and whenever any vacancy shall happen in such board of trustees, directors, or managers the vacancies shall be filled in such manner as shall be provided by the bylaws of the society. The bylaws of a society incorporated under the provisions of this subchapter may provide that stockholders, if the same be a stock corporation, or members or delegates, if the same be not a stock corporation, may vote by proxy or by mail. The bylaws may restrict such method of voting to the election of trustees, directors, or managers, or to other matters specified in the bylaws, and may prescribe the form or forms of proxy or of mail ballot to be used and the procedure to be followed in the casting and recording of such votes."

Vote by proxy or
mail.

Approved August 7, 1946.

[CHAPTER 782]

AN ACT

To amend the Act of July 11, 1919 (41 Stat. 132), relating to the interchange of property between the Army and the Navy, so as to include the Coast Guard within its provision.

August 7, 1946
[H. R. 6057]
[Public Law 627]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision contained in the Act of July 11, 1919 (41 Stat. 132; U. S. C., title 10, sec. 1274), relating to the interchange of property between the Army and the Navy, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The interchange, without compensation therefor, of military stores, supplies, and equipment of every character, including real estate owned by the Government, is hereby authorized between the Army, Navy, and Coast Guard upon the request of the head of one service and with the approval of the head of the other service."

Army, Navy, Coast
Guard.
Interchange of sup-
plies.

Approved August 7, 1946.

[CHAPTER 783]

AN ACT

To exempt certain vessels from filing passenger lists.

August 7, 1946
[H. R. 6148]
[Public Law 628]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no collector of customs shall require the master or owner of a vessel arriving, otherwise than by sea, at a port or place in the United States on the Great Lakes, or their connecting or tributary waters, from a port or place in the Dominion of Canada to furnish a list of passengers on board such vessel.

Approved August 7, 1946.

[CHAPTER 784]

AN ACT

To authorize the highway departments of the States of Kentucky and West Virginia to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River at or near Williamson, West Virginia.

August 7, 1946
[H. R. 623]
[Public Law 629]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the State Highway Commission of the States of Kentucky and West Virginia to construct, maintain, and operate a free bridge and approaches thereto across the Tug Fork

Bridge.
Big Sandy River.

of the Big Sandy River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation at or near Williamson, Mingo County, West Virginia, and on the Pikeville-Williamson Road in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

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

Approved August 7, 1946.

[CHAPTER 785]

AN ACT

To authorize the War Shipping Administration and the Maritime Commission to make available certain surplus property to certain maritime academies.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the War Shipping Administration and the Maritime Commission are authorized to make available or transfer to any State or municipality maintaining a marine school or nautical branch in accordance with the Act of July 29, 1941 (Public Law 191, Seventy-seventh Congress, 55 Stat. 607), excess or surplus material, supplies, and equipment for use in connection with the teaching and training of cadet-midshipmen, at such ports or other localities as may be designated by such State, without charge except for transportation and delivery of such material, supplies, or equipment.

Approved August 7, 1946.

[CHAPTER 786]

AN ACT

To amend the Act to provide for the issuance of devices in recognition of services of merchant sailors.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 of the Act of May 10, 1943 (57 Stat. 81), as amended by the Act of July 31, 1945 (59 Stat. 511; 50 U. S. C., App. 753f), be, and it is hereby, amended by inserting after the comma following the citation "(9 F. R. 10613)" the words "as amended by Executive Order 9692 of February 5, 1946 (11 F. R. 1421)".

Approved August 7, 1946.

[CHAPTER 787]

AN ACT

To waive certain restrictions of the Hawaiian Organic Act, relating to land exchanges, for the acquisition of certain lands at Hilo, Hawaii.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of section 73 (1) of the Hawaiian Organic Act, prohibiting exchanges by which the Territory of Hawaii shall convey lands exceeding either forty acres in area or \$5,000 in value, and the like provisions contained in section 4533 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1945, shall not apply to any exchanges made for the acquisition by the Territory of land at Hilo, island of Hawaii, within the area bounded on the north by the sea, on the south by Kamehameha Avenue, on the east by Wailoa River, and on the west by Wailuku River.

Approved August 7, 1946.

34 Stat. 84.
33 U. S. C. §§ 491-498.

August 7, 1946
[H. R. 6408]
[Public Law 630]

Surplus property for State, etc., nautical schools.

34 U. S. C., Supp. V, §§ 1122-1123e.

August 7, 1946
[H. R. 6488]
[Public Law 631]

50 U. S. C., Supp. V, app. § 753f.

August 7, 1946
[H. R. 6610]
[Public Law 632]

Ante, p. 871.