

at Large, which shall contain all the laws and concurrent resolutions enacted during each regular session of Congress; all proclamations by the President in the numbered series issued since the date of the adjournment of the regular session of Congress next preceding; and also any amendments to the Constitution of the United States proposed or ratified pursuant to article V thereof since that date, together with the certificate of the Administrator of General Services issued in compliance with the provision contained in section 205 of the Revised Statutes. In the event of an extra session of Congress, the Administrator of General Services shall cause all the laws and concurrent resolutions enacted during said extra session to be consolidated with, and published as part of, the contents of the volume for the next regular session. The United States Statutes at Large shall be legal evidence of laws, concurrent resolutions, treaties, international agreements other than treaties, proclamations by the President, and proposed or ratified amendments to the Constitution of the United States therein contained, in all the courts of the United States, the several States, and the Territories and insular possessions of the United States."

1 Stat. 19.

5 U. S. C. § 160.

Legal evidence.

SEC. 2. Title 1, United States Code, is further amended by adding, immediately following section 112 of such title, a new section, to be designated as section 112a, as follows:

"UNITED STATES TREATIES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS;
CONTENTS; ADMISSIBILITY IN EVIDENCE

"§ 112a. The Secretary of State shall cause to be compiled, edited, indexed, and published, beginning as of January 1, 1950, a compilation entitled 'United States Treaties and Other International Agreements', which shall contain all treaties to which the United States is a party that have been proclaimed during each calendar year, and all international agreements other than treaties to which the United States is a party that have been signed, proclaimed, or with reference to which any other final formality has been executed, during each calendar year. The said United States Treaties and Other International Agreements shall be legal evidence of the treaties, international agreements other than treaties, and proclamations by the President of such treaties and agreements, therein contained, in all the courts of the United States, the several States, and the Territories and insular possessions of the United States."

Legal evidence.

SEC. 3. The analysis of chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by inserting, immediately after item 112, the following:

"§ 112a. United States Treaties and Other International Agreements; contents; admissibility in evidence."

SEC. 4. Section 73 of the Printing Act of January 12, 1895, as amended, is hereby amended by adding, immediately following that part thereof (44 U. S. C. 196a) relating to the printing, binding, and distribution of the Statutes at Large, a new paragraph, as follows:

28 Stat. 615.

"The Public Printer shall print and, after the end of each calendar year, bind and deliver to the Superintendent of Documents a number of copies of the United States Treaties and Other International Agreements not exceeding the number of copies of the Statutes at Large required for distribution in the manner provided by law."

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1002]

AN ACT

To amend section 4474 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, relating to the use of petroleum as fuel aboard steam vessels.

September 23, 1950
[S. 3796]
[Public Law 822]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4474

of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 46, sec. 467), is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4474. When crude petroleum of a flash point not less than one hundred and fifty degrees Fahrenheit is carried in the double-bottom fuel tanks of steamers using the same for fuel, the crude petroleum carried in such tanks in excess of the necessities of the voyage may be discharged at terminal ports when no passengers are on board the ship. Crude petroleum carried and discharged under these conditions will not be considered stores or cargo within the contemplation of section 4472 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 46, sec. 170), and will be considered as only for use as fuel within the contemplation of section 4417a (1) of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 46, sec. 391a (1))."

Approved September 23, 1950.

Discharge of petroleum at terminal ports.

[CHAPTER 1003]

AN ACT

To increase the amount of Federal aid to State or Territorial homes for the support of disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States.

September 23, 1950
[S. 3389]
[Public Law 823]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act to provide aid to State and Territorial homes for the support of disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States, approved August 27, 1888, as amended, is amended by striking out in the first paragraph thereof "June 30, 1951" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1956".

25 Stat. 450; 62 Stat. 237.
24 U. S. C., Sup. III, § 134.

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1004]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, North Carolina, to lease certain lands for business purposes for a period not exceeding twenty-five years.

September 23, 1950
[H. R. 4901]
[Public Law 824]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, North Carolina, is hereby authorized to lease, for business purposes, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, for a term not exceeding twenty-five years, any unassigned nonagricultural or timber tribal land located within an area not exceeding four hundred yards adjacent to United States Highway Numbered 19 and 19a, and State Highway 107 and the Blue Ridge Parkway on the Eastern Cherokee Indian Reservation, North Carolina.

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1005]

AN ACT

To authorize the transfer of certain agricultural dry land and irrigation field stations to the States in which such stations are located, and for other purposes.

September 23, 1950
[H. R. 5679]
[Public Law 825]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized, at such times as he deems appropriate, to convey by appropriate conveyances, without consideration, the interest of the United States in the lands, including water rights, buildings, and improvements presently comprising or appurtenant to the following dry land and irrigation field stations, to the States in which such stations are located, when, in the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture, the transfer of any such station will result in establish-

Dry land and irrigation field stations.
Transfers to States.