

# ACTS OF THE ELEVENTH CONGRESS

OF THE

## UNITED STATES,

*Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of November, 1809, and ended on the first day of May, 1810.*

JAMES MADISON, President; GEORGE CLINTON, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate; ANDREW GREGG, President of the Senate pro tempore, from the 9th to the 19th of December, 1809; JOHN GAILLARD, President of the Senate pro tempore, on the 2d of March, and from the 20th of April to the 1st of May, 1810; J. B. VARNUM, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### STATUTE II.

Dec. 9, 1809.

CHAPTER I.—*An Act to authorize the transportation of certain Documents free of postage.*

[Obsolete.]

Certain documents to be free of postage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the members of Congress, the secretary of the Senate, and the clerk of the House of Representatives, be, and they are hereby respectively authorized to transmit free of postage, the message of the President of the United States, of the twenty-ninth of November, one thousand eight hundred and nine, and the documents accompanying the same, printed by order of the Senate, and by order of the House of Representatives, to any post-office within the United States, and territories thereof, to which they may direct; any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, December 9, 1809.

### STATUTE II.

Dec. 15, 1809.

CHAP. II.—*An Act supplemental to an act entitled "An act extending the right of suffrage in the Indiana territory, and for other purposes."*

Act of May 7, 1800, ch. 41.

Act of Feb. 27, 1809, ch. 19.

Governor to apportion the representatives, and to issue his writ for the election.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the governor of the Indiana territory, for the time being, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to apportion the representatives among the several counties in said territory, as he shall think proper, having regard to the numbers limited in the fourth section of the act to which this is a supplement, and to issue his writ for the election of such representatives agreeably to the apportionment which he may make, at such time as he shall deem most convenient for the citizens of the several counties in said territory.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That so soon as the legislature of said territory shall be convened, the number of representatives in each county thereof shall be regulated by the general assembly.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That when any vacancy shall occur in the legislative council, by death, resignation or removal from office, or when from either of said causes there shall be no delegate from said territory to the Congress of the United States, the governor shall

Afterwards to be apportioned by the general assembly.

Governor to issue a proclamation for supplying vacancy in the delegation to Congress.

in either case be authorized to issue his proclamation, directing an election to be held to supply such vacancy according to law.

APPROVED, December 15, 1809.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. III.—*An Act extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants.*

Dec. 19, 1809.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War be authorized to issue military land warrants to such persons as have or shall, before the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, produce to him satisfactory evidence of the validity of their claims; which warrants, with those heretofore issued and not yet satisfied, shall, and may be located in the names of the holders or proprietors thereof, prior to the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, on any unlocated parts of the fifty quarter townships and the fractional quarter townships, reserved by law for original holders of military land warrants.

APPROVED, December 19, 1809.

[Obsolete.]  
Act of June 9, 1794, ch. 62.  
Act of March 21, 1808, ch. 37.  
Act of July 5, 1813, ch. 7.  
Secretary of War may issue certain military land warrants.  
Where to be located.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. V.—*An Act to revive and continue in force for a further time, the first section of the act entitled "An act further to protect the commerce and seamen of the United States, against the Barbary powers."*

Jan. 12, 1810.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That so much of the act passed on the twenty-fifth day of March,\* one thousand eight hundred and four, entitled "An act further to protect the commerce and seamen of the United States, against the Barbary powers," as is contained in the first section of the said act, (and which was revived and continued in force, for the time therein mentioned, by an act, entitled "An act to revive and continue in force, for a further time, the first section of the act, entitled An act further to protect the commerce and seamen of the United States, against the Barbary powers," passed the tenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and nine,) be, and the same hereby is revived and continued in force, until the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eleven: *Provided however,* that the additional duty laid by the said section, shall be collected on all such goods, wares and merchandise, liable to pay the same, as shall have been imported previous to that day.

APPROVED, January 12, 1810.

[Obsolete.]  
Act of March 26, 1804, ch. 46.  
\* There is a misrecital of the act of 1804. It was passed on the 26th March, 1804.  
Revival and continuance in force of the first section of the act creating the Mediterranean fund.  
Act of April 21, 1806, ch. 38.  
Act of Jan. 31, 1812, ch. 18.  
Proviso.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act in addition to the "Act to regulate the laying out and making a road from Cumberland, in the state of Maryland, to the state of Ohio."*(a)

Feb. 14, 1810.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in addition to the unexpended balance of the sum heretofore appropriated for the laying out and making a road from Cumberland, in the state of Maryland, to the state of Ohio, the sum of sixty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, and to be expended under the direction of the President of the United States, in making said road between Cumberland in the state of Maryland, and Brownsville in the state of Pennsylvania, commencing at Cumberland; which sum of sixty thousand dollars, shall be paid out of the fund reserved for laying out and making roads to the state of Ohio, by virtue of the seventh section of an act, passed on the

[Obsolete.]  
Specific additional appropriation.  
Act of March 29, 1806, ch. 19.

(a) See notes to act of March 29, 1806, chap. 19.