

CHAP. 153.—An Act To amend section seventeen of the United States bankruptcy law of July first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and amendments thereto of February fifth, nineteen hundred and three.

March 2, 1917.
[H. R. 12195.]
[Public, No. 376.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section seventeen of an Act entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved July first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, as amended February fifth, nineteen hundred and three, be amended so as hereafter to read as follows:

Bankruptcy.
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amended.

"Sec. 17. Debts not affected by a discharge.—A discharge in bankruptcy shall release a bankrupt from all of his provable debts, except such as (first) are due as a tax levied by the United States, the State, county, district, or municipality in which he resides; (second) are liabilities for obtaining property by false pretenses or false representations, or for willful and malicious injuries to the person or property of another, or for alimony due or to become due, or for maintenance or support of wife or child, or for seduction of an unmarried female, or for breach of promise of marriage accompanied by seduction, or for criminal conversation; (third) have not been duly scheduled in time for proof and allowance, with the name of the creditor if known to the bankrupt, unless such creditor had notice or actual knowledge of the proceedings in bankruptcy; or (fourth) were created by his fraud, embezzlement, misappropriation, or defalcation while acting as an officer or in any fiduciary capacity."

Debts not affected by discharge.

Liability for breach of promise accompanied by seduction added.

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CHAP. 154.—Joint Resolution Requesting the President of the United States to designate and appoint a day on which funds may be raised for the relief of the Ruthenians (Ukrainians).

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[S. J. Res. 201.]
[Pub. Res., No. 52.]

Whereas in the countries situated in the eastern part of Europe, the theater of devastating war, there are at least one million of Ruthenians (Ukrainians) in dire need of food, clothing, and shelter; and Whereas hundreds of thousands of these people have been forced to abandon their homes and their property, and being deprived of all opportunity to provide even for their most elementary wants have undergone disease, starvation, and indescribable suffering; and

Relief of the Ruthenians.
Preamble.

Whereas the people of the United States of America have learned with sorrow of this terrible plight of great numbers of their fellow beings and have most generously responded to the appeal of humanity for assistance whenever such appeal has reached them: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in view of the wretchedness, misery, and privation which these people are enduring, the President of the United States be respectfully requested to designate and appoint a day on which the citizens of this country may give expression to their sympathy by contributing to the funds now being raised for the relief of the Ruthenians (Ukrainians) in the belligerent countries.

President requested to appoint a day to make contributions for.

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