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**CHAP. 295.**—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to dedicate and set apart as a national monument certain lands in Riverside County, California.

Public lands.  
National monument  
set apart in Riverside  
County, Calif.

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Description.

*Proviso.*  
Relinquishment of  
title of Agua Caliente  
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obtained

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Indians directed.

*Proviso.*  
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cable.  
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to set apart the following-described lands located in the county of Riverside, in the State of California, as a national monument, which shall be under the exclusive control of the Secretary of the Interior, who shall administer and protect the same under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 8, 1906, entitled "An Act for the preservation of American antiquities," and under such regulations as he may prescribe: The west half of the southwest quarter of section two, the southeast quarter of section three, all of section ten, the west half of the north-west quarter of section eleven, all of section fourteen, all in township five south, range four east, San Bernardino base and meridian, containing one thousand six hundred acres: *Provided,* That before such reservation and dedication as herein authorized shall become effective the consent and relinquishment of the Agua Caliente Band of Indians shall first be obtained, covering its right, title, and interest in and to the lands herein described, and payment therefor to the members of said band on a per capita basis, at a price to be agreed upon, when there shall be donated for such purposes to the Secretary of the Interior a fund in an amount to be fixed and determined by him as sufficient to compensate the Indians therefor.

SEC. 2. That in order to determine the amount to be paid under the preceding section the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to negotiate with said Indians to obtain their consent and relinquishment, and when such consent and relinquishment has been obtained and an agreement reached the Secretary of the Interior is further authorized to make payment from said donated fund for the lands relinquished to the enrolled members of the said Agua Caliente Band as authorized by section 1 of this Act: *Provided,* That the consent and relinquishment of the Indians may be obtained and payment made for the lands in such manner as the Secretary of the Interior may deem advisable: *Provided further,* That the water rights, dam, pipe lines, canals, and irrigation structures located in sections two and three of township five south, range four east, San Bernardino meridian, and also all water and water rights in Palm Canyon, are hereby excepted from this reserve and shall remain under the exclusive control and supervision of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

SEC. 3. That the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 10, 1920, known as the Federal Water Power Act, shall not apply to this monument.

Approved, August 26, 1922.

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**CHAP. 296.**—An Act Relating to the appointment of the Chief of Staff of the Army.

Army.  
Present Deputy Chief  
of Staff may be ap-  
pointed Chief of Staff.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, notwithstanding other provisions of law touching eligibility for appointment and service as Chief of Staff, the present Deputy Chief of Staff may be appointed Chief of Staff, and when so appointed shall be eligible to serve as such for a period of four years unless sooner relieved.

Approved, August 28, 1922.