

**CHAP. 347.**—An Act To authorize the leasing for mining purposes of unallotted lands on the Fort Peck and Blackfeet Indian Reservations in the State of Montana

September 20, 1922.  
[H. R. 8010.]  
[Public, No. 313.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That lands reserved for school and agency purposes and all other unallotted lands on the Fort Peck and Blackfeet Indian Reservations, in the State of Montana, reserved from allotment or other disposition, may be leased for mining purposes under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Fort Peck and Blackfeet Indian Reservations, Mont.  
Mining leases authorized of reserved lands on.

Approved, September 20, 1922.

**CHAP. 348.**—An Act Validating and confirming a certain indemnity school-land selection of the State of Florida.

September 20, 1922.  
[H. R. 8763.]  
[Public, No 314.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following Florida indemnity school-land selection be, and the same is hereby, validated and confirmed, notwithstanding its inclusion within an abandoned military reservation, and the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to approve the same to the State of Florida, if the selection list is in all respects regular and accompanied by the necessary fees: Gainesville, naught sixteen thousand six hundred and forty-nine, filed May 1, 1920, covering the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section twenty-eight, township fifty-four south of range forty-two east, Tampa meridian, Florida, forty acres.

Florida.  
Indemnity school lands of, validated.

Approved, September 20, 1922.

**CHAP. 349.**—An Act For the protection of timber owned by the United States from fire, disease, or the ravages of beetles or other insects.

September 20, 1922.  
[H. R. 9495.]  
[Public, No. 315.]

*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 is hereby authorized to protect and preserve, from fire, disease, or the ravages of beetles, or other insects, timber owned by the United States upon the public lands, national parks, national monuments, Indian reservations, or other lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior owned by the United States, either directly or in cooperation with other departments of the Federal Government, with States, or with owners of timber; and appropriations are hereby authorized to be made for such purposes.

Timber.  
Protection of, on Government lands, from fire, insects, etc., authorized.

Appropriations authorized for.

Approved, September 20, 1922.

**CHAP. 350.**—An Act To repeal sections 2453 and 2454, and to amend sections 2450, 2451, and 2456, Revised Statutes of the United States.

September 20, 1922.  
[H. R. 10443.]  
[Public, No. 316.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That sections 2453 and 2454, Revised Statutes of the United States, be repealed and sections 2450, 2451, and 2456 be amended to read as follows:

Public lands.  
Classification of suspended entries repealed.  
R. S., sec. 2453, 2454, p. 449, repealed.

“SEC. 2450. That the Commissioner of the General Land Office is authorized to decide upon principles of equity and justice, as recognized in courts of equity, and in accordance with regulations to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, consistently with such principles, all cases of suspended entries of public lands and of suspended preemption land claims, and to adjudge in what cases patents shall issue upon the same.

Issue of patents upon suspended entries, etc.  
R. S., sec. 2450, p. 449, amended.