

Saint Stephens meridian, Alabama, whether or not patents issued therefor by the United States would be construed to include all the lands included within the boundaries of said sections.

All rights, etc., of United States, abandoned.

The true intent of this Act is hereby declared to be to concede and abandon all right, title, and interest of the United States to those persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the true and lawful owners of said lands under the laws of Alabama, including the laws of prescription, in the absence of said interest, title, and estate of the said United States.

Approved, February 13, 1922.

February 13, 1922.

[S. 2468.]

[Public, No. 141.]

CHAP. 49.—An Act Providing for the sale and disposal of public lands within the area heretofore surveyed as Tenderfoot Lake, State of Wisconsin.

Public lands. Sale of Tenderfoot Lake, Wis., lands.

Preference to adjacent owners.

Provisos. State grant not affected. Vol. 9, p. 519.

Prior rights not disturbed.

Regulations, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on the survey of any public lands found to exist within the area heretofore surveyed as Tenderfoot Lake, in sections seven, eight, seventeen, and eighteen, township forty-three north, range eight east, fourth principal meridian, in the State of Wisconsin, the owners of adjacent lands shall have a preference right to purchase such lands so surveyed for a period of sixty days after the filing of the official plats of such surveys, at \$1.25 per acre: *Provided,* That such privilege shall not extend to any lands so surveyed inuring to the State of Wisconsin under the Act of September 28, 1850 (Ninth Statutes, page 519): *Provided further,* That nothing herein contained shall have the effect of defeating the rights of any other person or persons which may have attached to such lands or any part thereof.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make all necessary rules and regulations to carry this Act into effect.

Approved, February 13, 1922.

February 13, 1922.

[S. J. Res. 140.]

[Pub. Res., No. 38.]

CHAP. 50.—Joint Resolution Relative to payment of tuition for Indian children enrolled in Montana State public schools.

Montana. Payment allowed for tuition of Indian pupils in State public schools. Vol. 41, pp. 421, 1237.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That nothing contained in the provisions of section 10 of the Act of February 14, 1920 (Forty-first Statutes at Large, page 421), and of section 10 of the Act of March 3, 1921 (Forty-first Statutes at Large, page 1237), shall be construed to preclude the payment of tuition for Indian children enrolled and educated in Montana State public schools, pursuant to annual or existing appropriations of public money for payment of such tuition.

Approved, February 13, 1922.

February 14, 1922.

[S. 2802.]

[Public, No. 142.]

CHAP. 51.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of employees in the classified civil service, and for other purposes," approved May 22, 1920.

Civil service retirement.

Vol. 41, p. 619, amended.

New matter.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 11 of the Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of employees in the classified civil service, and for other purposes," approved May 22, 1920, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof three new paragraphs to read as follows: