

Result of failure.

to be interpreted as evidence of competency or ability unless applicant applies for and is granted a certificate of registration. Failure to record within such period the prior use of such title shall bar the said person from thereafter claiming registration under the provisions of section 20 of this Act.

Unauthorized use of title, etc., a misdemeanor.

SEC. 30. That on and after the passage of this Act the use of the title architect or registered architect, or the use of any other word, any letters or figures indicated or intended to imply that the person using the same is an architect or registered architect, without compliance with the provisions of this Act, the making of any willfully false oath or affirmation in any matter or proceeding where an oath or affirmation is required by this Act, shall be deemed a misdemeanor punishable with a fine of not more than \$200 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

Punishment for.

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 31. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

In effect immediately.

SEC. 32. That this Act shall become effective immediately on its becoming a law.

Approved, December 13, 1924.

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[S. 1343.]

[Public, No. 298.]

CHAP. 10.—An Act To authorize the widening of Fourth Street, south of Cedar Street northwest, in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia.
Fourth Street N.W.
Condemning land to widen.
Vol. 34, p. 151.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That under and in accordance with the provisions of subchapter 1 of chapter 15 of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia, within six months after the passage of this Act, the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to institute in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia a proceeding in rem to condemn the land that may be necessary for the widening of Fourth Street immediately south of Cedar Street northwest to its full width of ninety feet, upon such lines as the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may deem best for the public interest: *Provided, however,* That of the entire amount found to be due and awarded by the jury in said proceedings as damages for and in respect of the land to be condemned for said widening plus the costs and expenses of the proceedings hereunder, not more than one-half thereof shall be assessed by the jury as benefits.

Proviso.
Damages assessed as benefits.

Limit.

Amount authorized for expenses and award.

Repayment.

SEC. 2. That there is hereby appropriated out of the revenues of the District of Columbia an amount sufficient to pay the necessary costs and expenses of the condemnation proceedings taken pursuant hereto and for the amounts awarded as damages. The amounts assessed as benefits when collected shall be repaid to the District of Columbia and covered into the Treasury to the credit of the revenues of the District of Columbia.

Approved, December 13, 1924.

December 17, 1924.

[H. J. Res. 310.]

[Pub. Res., No. 39.]

CHAP. 12.—Joint Resolution Authorizing payment of salaries of the officers and employees of Congress for December, 1924, on the 20th day of that month.

Congressional employees, etc., to be paid December salaries December 20, 1924.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives are authorized and directed to pay to the officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, including the Capitol

police, the Legislative Drafting Service, and employees paid on vouchers under authority of resolutions, their respective salaries for the month of December, 1924, on the 20th day of that month.

Approved, December 17, 1924.

CHAP. 13.—An Act To authorize alterations to certain naval vessels and to provide for the construction of additional vessels.

December 18, 1924.
[H. R. 8687.]
[Public, No. 297.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That alterations are hereby authorized for the United States ships New York, Texas, Florida, Utah, Arkansas, and Wyoming, to consist of the installation of additional protection against submarine attack, of the installation of anti-air attack deck protection, of the conversion of such vessels to oil burning, and, in addition, for the New York and Texas, the purchase, manufacture, and installation of new fire-control systems, at a total cost not to exceed \$18,360,000 in all.

Navy.
Alterations authorized of designated ships.
Post, p. 1335.

Fire-control systems.

Construction of eight scout cruisers.
Post, p. 1336.

SEC. 2. That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to undertake prior to July 1, 1927, the construction of the vessels enumerated below: Eight scout cruisers, carrying protection and armament suited to their size and type, to have the highest practicable speed and the greatest desirable radius of action, and to cost, exclusive of armor and armament, not to exceed \$11,100,000 each; six river gunboats, to cost, exclusive of armament, not to exceed \$700,000 each: *Provided*, That in the construction of the vessels herein enumerated the President is authorized, in his discretion, to make use of the naval ordnance plant at South Charleston, West Virginia, for the manufacture of armor and armament needed for such vessels.

Six river boats.
Proviso.
Armor and armament from plant at South Charleston, W. Va.

Vessels to be constructed or reconditioned by this Act shall be constructed or reconditioned in the Government navy yards of the United States, when time and facilities permit and when in the judgment of the Secretary of the Navy such construction or reconditioning would not involve an appreciable increase in the cost to the Government.

Work at navy yards if cost not increased thereby.

SEC. 3. That the alterations to capital ships and the construction of new vessels under the authorization contained in this Act shall be subject to the limitations prescribed by the treaty limiting naval armament, ratified August 17, 1923.

Authorizations subject to treaty limitations.
Post, p. 1655.

SEC. 4. That in the event of an international conference for the limitation of naval armaments the President is hereby empowered, in his discretion, to suspend in whole or in part any or all alterations or construction authorized in this Act.

Suspension authorized if international conference for naval limitation held.

Approved, December 18, 1924.

CHAP. 14.—An Act To authorize the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Lithuania to the United States of America.

December 22, 1924.
[H. R. 10650.]
[Public, No. 298.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Lithuania to the United States of America made by the World War Foreign Debt Commission and approved by the President upon the terms and conditions as set forth in Senate Document Numbered 168, Sixty-eighth Congress, second session, is hereby approved in general terms as follows:

Lithuania.
Settlement of its World War indebtedness approved.
Vol. 42, p. 363.

The amount of the indebtedness to be funded, after allowing for cash payments made by Lithuania, is \$6,030,000, which has been computed as follows:

Amount to be funded.