

[CHAPTER 394]

AN ACT

To permit the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of War to supply utilities and related services to welfare activities, and persons whose businesses or residences are in the immediate vicinity of naval or military activities and require utilities or related services not otherwise obtainable locally, and for other purposes.

July 30, 1947  
[H. R. 3055]  
[Public Law 284]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of War, or their designees within their respective establishments, are authorized to sell, under such regulations and at such prices as the Secretary concerned may prescribe, to welfare activities and private persons in the immediate vicinity of naval or military activities such utilities and related services as are not otherwise available from local, private, or public sources.

Navy and War  
Departments.  
Sale of utilities.

SEC. 2. The utilities and related services authorized to be sold under this Act are (1) electric power, (2) steam, (3) compressed air, (4) water, (5) sewage and garbage disposal service, (6) gas (natural, manufactured, or mixed), (7) ice, and (8) mechanical refrigeration: *Provided*, That any utility or related service provided and sold under the authority of this Act shall not be so provided unless it is determined by the Secretary concerned that the utility or related service is not available from a private or other public source, and that the furnishing thereof is in the public interest.

Restriction.

SEC. 3. As may be required by the local needs, the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of War, in carrying out the purposes of this Act, are authorized to effect minor expansions and extensions of the necessary distributing systems or facilities within the naval or military activity for those activities which it is determined may supply local services and utilities as described by section 2 herein.

Expansion, etc., of  
facilities.

SEC. 4. The Act of June 13, 1940 (54 Stat. 383, 34 U. S. C. 553), is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SEC. 5. The authority granted in sections 1, 2, and 3 of this Act shall terminate at midnight on December 31, 1952.

Termination of au-  
thority.

Approved July 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 395]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to Pennsylvania Power & Light Company to construct, maintain, and operate a dam in the Susquehanna River.

July 30, 1947  
[H. R. 3334]  
[Public Law 285]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to Pennsylvania Power & Light Company, its successors or assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a dam in the Susquehanna River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, approximately one and one-half miles below the Sunbury Bridge Company toll bridge, in Upper Augusta Township, Northumberland County and Monroe Township, Snyder County, Pennsylvania: *Provided*, That the work shall not be commenced until the plans therefor have been submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers of the United States Army, and by the Secretary of War: *Provided further*, That this Act shall not be construed to authorize the use of such dam to develop water power or generate hydroelectric energy.

Susquehanna River.  
Construction, etc.,  
of dam.

Approval of plans.

Restriction.

Time limitation.

SEC. 2. The authority granted by this Act shall cease and be null and void, unless actual construction of the dam hereby authorized is commenced within two years and completed within five years from

Removal of interference.

the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided*, That from and after thirty days' notice from the Federal Power Commission, or other authorized agency of the United States, to said Pennsylvania Power & Light Company, its successors or assigns, that desirable water-power development will be interfered with by the existence of said dam, the said company, or its successors or assigns, shall alter the dam, without expense to the United States, so as to remove said interference and, upon failure to do so within a reasonable time, the authority hereby granted to construct, maintain, and operate said dam shall terminate and be at an end; and any grantee or licensee of the United States, proposing to develop a power project at or near said dam, shall have authority to remove, submerge, or utilize said dam, under such conditions as said Commission or other agency may determine, but such conditions shall not include compensation for the removal, submergence, or utilization of said dam: *And provided further*, That the Pennsylvania Power & Light Company, its successors or assigns, shall hold and save the United States free from all claims for damage which may be sustained by the dam herein authorized, or damage sustained by the appurtenances of the said dam by reason of operations by the United States for flood control, the preservation or improvement of navigation, or for other purposes.

Claims for damage.

SEC. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved July 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 396]

AN ACT

To ratify and confirm Act 10 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1947, extending the time within which revenue bonds may be issued and delivered under chapter 118, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That Act 10 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1947, amending section 6095 of chapter 118, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945, as amended, so as to extend the time within which revenue bonds may be issued and delivered under said chapter 118, is hereby ratified and confirmed and revenue bonds may be issued under and pursuant to the provisions of said chapter 118, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945, as amended, and as further amended by said Act 10, without the approval of the President of the United States and without the incurring of an indebtedness within the meaning of the Hawaiian Organic Act, and said chapter 118, as amended, shall constitute full authority for the issuance of said bonds without reference to and independent of the Hawaiian Organic Act.

Approved July 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 397]

AN ACT

To provide for the establishment of a temporary Congressional Aviation Policy Board.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That it is the purpose of this Act to provide for the development of a national aviation policy adequate to meet the needs of the national defense, of the commerce of the United States, both interstate and foreign, and of the postal service, and to provide for the formulation and clarification of national policies relating to or affecting aviation, including policies relating to the maintenance of an adequate aeronautical manufacturing industry.

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Hawaii.  
Issuance of revenue bonds.

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48 U. S. C. § 493  
note.

July 30, 1947

[H. R. 3587]

[Public Law 287]

National aviation policy.