

[CHAPTER 226]

AN ACT

May 18, 1937

[H. R. 4728]

[Public, No. 95]

To authorize cooperation in the development of farm forestry in the States and Territories, and for other purposes.

Cooperative Farm Forestry Act.
Federal cooperation in developing farm forestry in the States and Territories.

Investigations and advice.

Cooperative agreements.

Nursery sites, etc.

Land to be planted to be made available without charge.

Annual appropriation authorized.

Title of Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to aid agriculture, increase farm-forest income, conserve water resources, increase employment, and in other ways advance the general welfare and improve living conditions on farms through reforestation and afforestation in the various States and Territories, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized in cooperation with the land-grant colleges and universities and State forestry agencies, each within its respective field of activities, according to the statutes, if any, of the respective States, wherever such agencies can and will cooperate, or in default of such cooperation to act directly, to produce or procure and distribute forest trees and shrub planting stock; to make necessary investigations; to advise farmers regarding the establishment, protection, and management of farm forests and forest and shrub plantations and the harvesting, utilization, and marketing of the products thereof; and to enter into cooperative agreements for the establishment, protection, and care of farm- or other forest-land tree and shrub plantings within such States and Territories; and, whenever suitable Government-owned lands are not available, to lease, purchase, or accept donations of land and develop nursery sites for the production of such forest planting stock as is needed to effectuate the purposes of this Act, but not including ornamental or other stock for landscape plantings commonly grown by established commercial nurserymen, and no stock grown in Government and cooperating nurseries shall be allowed to enter regular trade channels. No cooperative reforestation or afforestation shall be undertaken pursuant to this Act unless the cooperator makes available without charge the land to be planted. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated annually not to exceed \$2,500,000 for carrying out the purposes of this Act. This Act shall be known as the Cooperative Farm Forestry Act.

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[CHAPTER 227]

AN ACT

May 19, 1937

[S. 150]

[Public, No. 96]

Amending section 2 of Public Law Numbered 716 of the Seventy-fourth Congress, being an Act entitled "An Act to relieve restricted Indians whose lands have been taxed or have been lost by failure to pay taxes, and for other purposes."

Indian lands.
49 Stat. 1542.
25 U. S. C., Supp.
II, § 412a.

Homesteads purchased from trust, etc., funds to be non-taxable.

Provisos.
Restrictions against alienation, etc.

Optional selection of lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of Public Law Numbered 716 of the Seventy-fourth Congress, being an Act entitled "An Act to relieve restricted Indians whose lands have been taxed or have been lost by failure to pay taxes, and for other purposes", is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 2. All homesteads, heretofore purchased out of the trust or restricted funds of individual Indians, are hereby declared to be instrumentalities of the Federal Government and shall be nontaxable until otherwise directed by Congress: *Provided*, That the title to such homesteads shall be held subject to restrictions against alienation or encumbrance except with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior: *And provided further*, That the Indian owner or owners shall select, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, either the agricultural and grazing lands, not exceeding a total of one hundred and sixty acres, or the village, town, or city property, not exceeding in cost \$5,000, to be designated as a homestead.

Approved, May 19, 1937.

[CHAPTER 229]

AN ACT

To amend the Communications Act of 1934, approved June 19, 1934, for the purpose of promoting safety of life and property at sea through the use of wire and radio communications, to make more effective the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1929, and for other purposes.

May 20, 1937
[S. 535]
[Public, No. 97]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Communications Act of 1934 is hereby amended by inserting after the words "for the purpose of the national defense" a comma and the words "for the purpose of promoting safety of life and property through the use of wire and radio communication".

Communications Act of 1934, amendments.
48 Stat. 1064.
47 U. S. C. § 151.
Purposes extended.

SEC. 2. Section 3 of the Communications Act of 1934 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof five new subsections to read as follows:

48 Stat. 1065.
47 U. S. C. § 153.
Definitions.

"(w) (1) 'Ship' or 'vessel' includes every description of watercraft or other artificial contrivance, except aircraft, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water, whether or not it is actually afloat.

"Ship" or "vessel."

"(2) A ship shall be considered a passenger ship if it carries or is licensed or certificated to carry more than twelve passengers.

Passenger ship.

"(3) A cargo ship means any ship not a passenger ship.

Cargo ship.

"(4) A passenger is any person carried on board a ship or vessel except (1) the officers and crew actually employed to man and operate the ship, (2) persons employed to carry on the business of the ship, and (3) persons on board a ship when they are carried, either because of the obligation laid upon the master to carry shipwrecked, distressed, or other persons in like or similar situations or by reason of any circumstance over which neither the master, the owner, nor the charterer (if any) has control.

Passenger.

"(x) 'Auto-alarm' on a foreign ship means an automatic alarm receiver which has been approved by the country to which the ship belongs, provided the United States and the country to which the ship belongs are both parties to the same treaty, convention, or agreement prescribing the requirements for such apparatus. 'Auto-alarm' on a ship of the United States subject to the provisions of part II of title III of this Act means an automatic alarm receiver complying with law and approved by the Commission. Nothing in this Act or in any other provision of law shall be construed to require the recognition of an auto-alarm as complying with part II of title III of this Act, on a foreign ship subject to such part, whose country of origin is not a party to a treaty, convention, or agreement with the United States in regard to such apparatus.

"Auto-alarm", foreign ships.

Ships of the United States.
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Ships of country not a party to safety convention, etc.
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"(y) (1) For the purpose of part II of title III, a 'qualified operator' or 'operator' on a foreign ship means a person holding a certificate as such complying with the provisions of the General Radio Regulations annexed to the International Telecommunication Convention in force, or complying with an agreement or treaty between the United States and the country to which the ship belongs.

"Qualified operator" or "operator", foreign ships.

49 Stat. 2445.

"(2) For the purpose of part II of title III, a 'qualified operator' or 'operator' on a ship of the United States means a person holding a radio operator's license of the proper class, as prescribed and issued by the Commission.

Ships of the United States.

"(z) 'Harbor' or 'port' means any place to which ships may resort for shelter or to load or unload passengers or goods, or to obtain fuel, water, or supplies. This term shall apply to such places whether proclaimed public or not and whether natural or artificial.

"Harbor" or "port."