

Motorboats as defined in this Act are hereby exempted from the provisions of Revised Statutes 4399, as amended (48 Stat. 125).

SEC. 19. This Act shall take effect upon its approval as to all of the sections hereof except sections 6, 7, and 8, which sections shall take effect one year from the date of said approval, and for a period of one year from the date of approval of this Act sections 5, 6, and 7 of the Motorboat Act of June 9, 1910 (Public, Numbered 201, Sixty-first Congress; 36 Stat. 462), shall continue in full force and effect, except that from and after the date of the approval of this Act the Secretary of Commerce shall have authority to remit or mitigate all fines or penalties heretofore or hereafter incurred or imposed under sections 5 and 6 of the Motorboat Act of June 9, 1910. Except as hereinabove expressly provided, the Motorboat Act of June 9, 1910, above referred to, is repealed upon the approval of this Act and as to sections 5, 6, and 7 of said Act hereinabove continued the said sections are hereby repealed effective one year from the date of approval of this Act. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to alter or amend section 4417a of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. IV, title 46, sec. 391a), the Act of August 26, 1935 (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. IV, ch. 7A, secs. 178 and 179), the Act of June 20, 1936 (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. IV, title 46, sec. 367), or repeal Acts of Congress or treaties embodying or revising international rules for preventing collisions at sea.

SEC. 20. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 21. The provisions of section 210 of title II of the Anti-Smuggling Act, approved August 5, 1935 (49 Stat. 526; U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. IV, title 46, sec. 288), requiring a certificate of award of a number to be kept at all times on board of the vessel to which the number has been awarded shall not apply to any vessel not exceeding seventeen feet in length measured from end to end over the deck, excluding sheer, or to any vessel whose design of fittings are such that the carrying of the certificate of award of the number on such vessel would render such certificate imperfect, illegible, or would otherwise tend to destroy its usefulness as a means of ready identification.

Approved, April 25, 1940.

[CHAPTER 156]

AN ACT

To amend the provisions of law relating to the use of private vehicles for official travel in order to effect economy and better administration.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of February 14, 1931 (46 Stat. 1103), as amended by section 9 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (47 Stat. 1516; U. S. C., title 5, sec. 73a), entitled "An Act to permit payments for the operation of motorcycles and automobiles used for necessary travel on official business, on a mileage basis in lieu of actual operating expenses", is further amended by striking out the words "his own" wherever they appear therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "a privately owned".

Approved, April 25, 1940.

Exemption from certain inspection.
46 U. S. C. § 361.

Effective dates.

36 Stat. 463.
46 U. S. C. §§ 515-517.
Continuance of certain provisions.
Authority to remit fines, etc.

Repeal of Act of 1910; exceptions.

Designated Acts or treaties not affected.
49 Stat. 868.
46 U. S. C., Supp. V, §§ 178, 179.
49 Stat. 1544.

Appropriation authorized.

Undocumented vessels, certificates of award, etc.

April 25, 1940
[H. R. 6693]

[Public, No. 435]

Private vehicles for official travel.
Provisions relating to use of, amended.

[CHAPTER 157]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the quartering, in certain public buildings in the District of Columbia, of troops participating in the inaugural ceremonies.

April 25, 1940
[S. J. Res. 218]
[Pub. Res., No. 65]

Inaugural ceremonies, 1941.
Temporary quartering of troops in public buildings during, authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of the Federal Works Agency or head of any executive department or establishment is authorized to allocate such space in any public building under his care and supervision as he deems necessary for the purposes of quartering troops participating in the inaugural ceremonies to be held on January 20, 1941, but such use shall not continue after January 22, 1941. Authority granted by this joint resolution may be exercised notwithstanding the provisions of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Act for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, approved April 28, 1902, prohibiting the use of public buildings in connection with inaugural ceremonies.

32 Stat. 152.
40 U. S. C. §§ 19, 31.

Approved, April 25, 1940.

[CHAPTER 158]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend section 5 of Public Law Numbered 360, Sixty-sixth Congress.

April 25, 1940
[H. J. Res. 289]
[Pub. Res., No. 66]

Osage Act, amendment.

State tax upon oil and gas produced in Osage County, Okla.; exception.

To be in lieu of other State taxes.

Rate, on royalty interests.

Conditional provision.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Osage Act (S. 4039, Public, Numbered 360, Sixty-sixth Congress; 41 Stat. 1249) be amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. That the State of Oklahoma is authorized from and after the passage of this Act to levy and collect a gross-production tax, not to exceed the existing rate, upon all oil and gas produced in Osage County, Oklahoma, except as herein otherwise provided, and all taxes so collected shall be paid and distributed, and shall be in lieu of all other State and county taxes levied upon the production of oil and gas as provided by the laws of Oklahoma. The gross-production tax on the royalty interests of the Osage Indians shall be at the rate levied by said State but in no event to exceed 5 per centum and said tax shall be paid by the Secretary of the Interior, through the proper officers of the Osage Agency, to the State of Oklahoma from the amount received by the Osage Indians from the production of oil and gas to be distributed in like manner as gross-production tax under the laws of said State and the Secretary shall pay the tax herein authorized upon the condition and not otherwise that an additional one-fifth of said sum or sums paid by the Secretary in pursuance of this Act shall be delivered over to Osage County, Oklahoma, at the same time or times as the other payment or payments herein provided for are made to said county, one-half thereof to be apportioned to a fund to be used by said county only for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges therein, the other one-half thereof to be used for the maintenance of common schools of said county as provided by law."

Approved, April 25, 1940.

[CHAPTER 159]

AN ACT

For forest protection against the white-pine blister rust, and for other purposes.

April 26, 1940
[H. R. 3406]
[Public, No. 486]

White-pine blister rust.
Cooperative forest protection measures against, authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to promote the stability of white-pine forest-using industries, employment, and communities through the continuous supply of white- and sugar-pine timber, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized in cooperation