

trict of Columbia and its environs, to be known as the Suitland Parkway, and it shall be developed, administered, and maintained by the Secretary of the Interior, through the National Park Service, subject to the provisions of the Act of Congress approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), the provisions of which Act, as amended and supplemented, are hereby extended over and made applicable to said parkway, insofar as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

16 U. S. C. §§ 1-4,
22, 43; 5 U. S. C. § 485.

SEC. 2. The parkway shall be developed, operated, and administered as a limited access road primarily to provide a dignified, protected, safe, and suitable approach for passenger-vehicle traffic to the National Capital and for an uninterrupted means of access between the several Federal establishments adjacent thereto and the seat of government in the District of Columbia. To avoid impairment of this purpose, the Secretary of the Interior, with the concurrence of the Federal Works Agency, shall control the location, limit the number of access points, and regulate the use of said parkway by various classes or types of vehicles or traffic.

Administration, etc.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Interior in his administration of the Suitland Parkway is authorized, in his discretion, to accept from private owners, State and local governments, lands, rights-of-way over lands, or other interests in lands adjacent to such parkway, and also to accept the transfer of jurisdiction to the Department of the Interior of adjacent lands for park and recreational purposes from any Federal agency or department, without reimbursement to such Federal agency or department having jurisdiction thereof, when such transfer is mutually agreed upon by the Secretary and such department or agency; and such transfer of jurisdiction by any such department or agency of the Federal Government in possession of such lands is hereby authorized.

Acceptance of lands,
etc.

Transfer of jurisdic-
tion.

SEC. 4. That money appropriated for parkways administered by the National Park Service by the Department of the Interior Appropriation Act each fiscal year shall be available for expenditure for continuing the construction, development, maintenance, and policing of the Suitland Parkway.

Availability of
funds.

Approved August 17, 1949.

[CHAPTER 464]

AN ACT

To authorize the taxation of Indian land holdings in the town of Lodge Grass, Montana, to assist in financing a municipal water supply and sewerage system.

August 17, 1949
[H. R. 5034]
[Public Law 243]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all Indian land (whether restricted land or land purchased with restricted funds of Indians) within the corporate limits of the town of Lodge Grass, Montana, in the Crow Indian Reservation, hereafter acquired for individual Indians or tribes of Indians, shall be subject to taxation to assist in financing the construction and maintenance of a municipal water supply and sewerage system for such town.

Lodge Grass, Mont.

Approved August 17, 1949.

[CHAPTER 465]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the joint resolution creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, approved June 16, 1933.

August 17, 1949
[H. J. Res. 208]
[Public Law 244]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last sentence of the first section of the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution

Niagara Falls Bridge
Commission.
Reconstruction,
etc., of bridges.

52 Stat. 767.

34 Stat. 84,
33 U. S. C. §§ 491-498.

creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission and authorizing said Commission and its successors to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Niagara River at or near the city of Niagara Falls, New York", approved June 16, 1938, is hereby amended to read as follows: "For like purposes, and subject to all applicable conditions and limitations contained in this joint resolution the said Commission and its successors and assigns are hereby authorized (1), with the approval of the proper authorities in the Dominion of Canada, to purchase, and in accordance with the provisions of such Act of March 23, 1906, to reconstruct, repair, maintain, and operate, existing bridges across the Niagara River at or north of the city of Niagara Falls; and (2) to issue bonds to provide for the payment of the cost of acquiring any such bridge and its approaches and the necessary lands, easements, and appurtenances thereto, payable solely from the revenues of such bridge."

Approved August 17, 1949.

[CHAPTER 472]

AN ACT

August 18, 1949
[H. R. 1892]
[Public Law 245]

Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue to Lake County, Montana, a patent in fee to certain Indian lands.

Lake County, Mont.
Patent in fee.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed, with the consent and approval of the tribal council of the Consolidated Tribes of Flathead, Kootenai, and Salish Indians, to issue to Lake County, Montana, a patent in fee to the following-described lands on the Flathead Indian Reservation, Montana: The north half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 36, township 21 north, range 20 west, Montana principal meridian, containing five acres more or less.

Approved August 18, 1949.

[CHAPTER 473]

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 18, 1949
[H. J. Res. 339]
[Public Law 246]

Amending an Act making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, as amended, and for other purposes.

Ante, pp. 405, 485;
post, p. 696.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 154 (Eighty-first Congress), making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, and for other purposes, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out, in section (c) thereof, "or (3) August 15, 1949," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "or (3) with respect to paragraph (b) August 15, 1949, and with respect to paragraph (a) September 15, 1949".

Approved August 18, 1949.

[CHAPTER 476]

AN ACT

August 18, 1949
[H. R. 242]
[Public Law 247]

To provide for the conferring of the degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

48 Stat. 73.
10 U. S. C. § 486a;
14 U. S. C. § 15a; 34
U. S. C. § 1057a; 46
U. S. C. § 1126a.
Ante, p. 559.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of May 25, 1933, as amended, relating to the conferring of degrees upon graduates of the Naval Academy, Military Academy, Coast Guard