

or area; for the allocation of production and the sharing of proceeds from the whole or any specified part thereof regardless of the particular tract from which production is obtained or proceeds are derived; and, with the consent of the State, for the modification of the terms and provisions of State leases for lands operated and developed thereunder, including the term of years for which said leases were originally granted, to conform said leases to the terms and provisions of such agreements: *Provided*, That nothing in this Act contained, nor the effectuation of it, shall be construed as in any respect waiving, determining or affecting any right, title, or interest, which otherwise may exist in the United States, and that the making of any agreement, as provided in this Act, shall not be construed as an admission as to the title or ownership of the lands included.

Approved, January 26, 1940.

Proviso.
Title or ownership
of lands; construction
of Act.

[CHAPTER 16]

AN ACT

January 29, 1940
[S. 1919]
[Public, No. 408]

To provide for the acquisition by the United States of the estate of Patrick Henry in Charlotte County, Virginia, known as Red Hill.

Estate of Patrick
Henry, acquisition of;
cost.

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 hereby authorized and directed to acquire by purchase, or otherwise, on behalf of the United States, at a cost not to exceed \$100,000, the estate of Patrick Henry in Charlotte County, Virginia, known as Red Hill.

Use; administra-
tion.

SEC. 2. The property acquired under the provisions of this Act shall be a permanent public memorial to Patrick Henry, and shall be administered as the Patrick Henry National Monument, as provided in the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of a national monument on the site of Red Hill, estate of Patrick Henry", approved August 15, 1935.

49 Stat. 652.
16 U. S. C., Supp. V,
§§ 450f-450k.
Appropriation au-
thorized.
Post, p. 448.

SEC. 3. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved, January 29, 1940.

[CHAPTER 17]

JOINT RESOLUTION

January 31, 1940
[H. J. Res. 419]
[Pub. Res., No. 55]

To extend, for three additional months, the time during which articles imported free of duty for exhibition at the Golden Gate International Exposition or the New York World's Fair, may be sold or abandoned.

Golden Gate Inter-
national Exposition.
Imported exhibits,
time extension for sale,
abandonment, etc.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution providing for the importation of articles free from tariff or customs duty for the purpose of exhibition at the Golden Gate International Exposition to be held at San Francisco, California, in 1939, and for other purposes", approved May 18, 1937, as amended, is amended by striking out the words "within three months" wherever appearing therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "within six months".

50 Stat. 187; 53 Stat.
626.

New York World's
Fair 1939.
Imported exhibits,
time extension for sale,
abandonment, etc.

SEC. 2. That the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to permit articles imported from foreign countries for the purpose of exhibition at the New York World's Fair 1939, New York City, New York, to be admitted without payment of tariff, and for other purposes", approved August 16, 1937, as amended, is amended by striking out the words "within three months" wherever appearing therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "within six months".

50 Stat. 668; 53 Stat.
625.

Approved, January 31, 1940.

[CHAPTER 18]

AN ACT

To amend section 355 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, to make permissive the acquisition of legislative jurisdiction over land or interests in land acquired by the United States.

February 1, 1940
[H. R. 7293]
[Public, No. 409]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 355 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (U. S. C., title 33, sec. 733; title 34, sec. 520; title 40, sec. 255; and title 50, sec. 175) be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 355. No public money shall be expended upon any site or land purchased by the United States for the purposes of erecting thereon any armory, arsenal, fort, fortification, navy yard, custom-house, lighthouse, or other public building of any kind whatever, until the written opinion of the Attorney General shall be had in favor of the validity of the title. The district attorneys of the United States, upon the application of the Attorney General, shall furnish any assistance or information in their power in relation to the titles of the public property lying within their respective districts. And the secretaries of the departments, upon the application of the Attorney General, shall procure any additional evidence of title which he may deem necessary, and which may not be in the possession of the officers of the Government, and the expense of procuring it shall be paid out of the appropriations made for the contingencies of the departments, respectively: *Provided, however,* That in all cases of the acquisition of land or any interest therein by the United States for the purposes herein specified or for other purposes, wherein the written opinion of the Attorney General in favor of the validity of the title of such land is or may be required or authorized by law, the Attorney General may, in his discretion, base such opinion upon a certificate of title of a title company. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the obtaining of exclusive jurisdiction in the United States over lands or interests therein which have been or shall hereafter be acquired by it shall not be required; but the head or other authorized officer of any department or independent establishment or agency of the Government may, in such cases and at such times as he may deem desirable, accept or secure from the State in which any lands or interests therein under his immediate jurisdiction, custody, or control are situated, consent to or cession of such jurisdiction, exclusive or partial, not theretofore obtained, over any such lands or interests as he may deem desirable and indicate acceptance of such jurisdiction on behalf of the United States by filing a notice of such acceptance with the Governor of such State or in such other manner as may be prescribed by the laws of the State where such lands are situated. Unless and until the United States has accepted jurisdiction over lands hereafter to be acquired as aforesaid, it shall be conclusively presumed that no such jurisdiction has been accepted.

Lands, etc., purchased by United States for public buildings.
Validity of title to requirements.
Post, p. 1083.

Proviso.
Certificate of title company.

Exclusive jurisdiction not required.

Acceptance of jurisdiction from State.

Approved, February 1, 1940.

[CHAPTER 19]

AN ACT

To amend the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, as amended.

February 1, 1940
[H. R. 7342]
[Public, No. 410]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the tenth sentence of section 32 of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, as amended (U. S. C., title 12, sec. 1016), is further amended by striking out “February 1, 1940” in the two places in which it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “June 1, 1942”.

Emergency Farm Mortgage Act, amendment.
49 Stat. 314.
12 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 1016 (g).
Time extension for making loans.

Approved, February 1, 1940.