

[CHAPTER 4]

AN ACT

Authorizing appropriations for additional shipbuilding and ordnance manufacturing facilities and equipment for the United States Navy, and for other purposes.

January 31, 1941
[H. R. 1437]
[Public Law 4]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in addition to the sums authorized to be appropriated by the Act of June 14, 1940 (Public, Numbered 629, Seventy-sixth Congress), and the Act of July 19, 1940 (Public, Numbered 757, Seventy-sixth Congress), there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$315,000,000 for essential equipment and facilities at either private or naval establishments for building or equipping any complete naval vessel or portion thereof heretofore or hereafter authorized, and \$194,000,000 for essential equipment and facilities for the manufacture or production of ordnance material, munitions, and armor at either private or naval establishments. The authority herein granted shall include the authority to acquire lands at such locations as the Secretary of the Navy, with the approval of the President, may deem best suited to the purpose, erect buildings, and acquire the necessary machinery and equipment.

Navy.
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ordnance manufactur-
ing facilities.
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authorized.
54 Stat. 394, 779.
Post, p. 41.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Navy is authorized to construct not to exceed four hundred small craft for patrol, local defense, escort, salvage, and towing services in addition to all such craft heretofore authorized and appropriated for, and he is hereby authorized to enter into contracts for this purpose to a total amount not exceeding \$400,000,000.

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small craft, contracts.
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Approved, January 31, 1941.

[CHAPTER 5]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making an appropriation to the United States Maritime Commission for emergency cargo ship construction, and for other purposes.

February 6, 1941
[H. J. Res. 77]
[Public Law 5]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of providing as rapidly as possible cargo ships essential to the commerce and defense of the United States there is hereby appropriated to the United States Maritime Commission, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$313,500,000, to remain available until expended, which amount shall be additional to the \$500,000 allocated from the Emergency Fund for the President in the Military Appropriation Act, 1941, and \$36,000,000 to be allocated during the fiscal year 1942 from funds available for the payment of obligations incurred for the purposes hereof under the contract authorizations under such emergency fund for the President, the total of such sums, aggregating \$350,000,000, to be known as the "Emergency Ship Construction Fund, United States Maritime Commission", which fund shall be available for the payment of said contract authorizations and for (1) the construction in the United States of ocean-going cargo vessels of such type, size, and speed as the Commission may determine to be useful in time of emergency for carrying on the commerce of the United States and to be capable of the most rapid construction; (2) the production and procurement of parts, equipment, material, and supplies for such ships; (3) the establishment, acquisition, construction, enlargement, or extension of plants or facilities, on land whether owned by the Government or otherwise owned (including the acquisition by purchase or condemnation of

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Commission.
Emergency cargo
ship construction.
Appropriation.
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54 Stat. 377.

Emergency Ship
Construction Fund.
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Construction of
ocean-going cargo
vessels.

Production and pro-
curement of parts.
Establishment, etc.,
of plants.