[CHAPTER 80]

AN ACT

To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, for the purpose of further regulating interstate and foreign commerce in tobacco, and for other

April 29, 1943 JH, R, 2020l Public Law 431

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 313 (a) of subtitle B of title III of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by striking out the period at the end of said subsection and inserting in lieu thereof a colon and the following new proviso: "And provided further, That the Burley tobacco acreage allotment which would otherwise be established for any farm having a Burley acreage allotment in 1942 shall not be less than one-half acre, and the acreage required for apportionment under this proviso shall be in addition to the National and State acreage allotments."

Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, amendment. 52 Stat. 47. 7 U.S. C. § 1313 (a). Post, p. 387.

Burley tobacco acreage allotment.

Approved April 29, 1943.

[CHAPTER 81]

AN ACT

To authorize the return to private ownership of certain vessels formerly used or suitable for use in the fisheries or industries related thereto.

April 29, 1943 [H. R. 2238] [Public Law 44]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That any vessel formerly used or suitable for use in the fisheries or industries related thereto the title to which has been or may hereafter be acquired by the United States through purchase or requisition may be returned to private ownership in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Return of certain shing vessels to

Sec. 2. Every such vessel shall, upon determination by the department or agency having possession thereof that the vessel is no longer needed or can be spared by such department or agency without detriment to its service, be made available to the Administrator of the War Shipping Administration (hereinafter referred to as the Administrator), who shall notify the owner from whom such vessel was purchased or requisitioned that the vessel may be returned to such owner upon repayment to the United States of the compensation paid therefor less such allowances as the Administrator may deem reasonable (1) to cover the cost of such reconditioning as the Administrator and the owner may find necessary to make the vessel suitable for use in the fisheries or industries related thereto (ordinary wear and tear excepted), and (2) to compensate such owner for the use of the vessel by the United States, and upon compliance with such other terms and conditions as the Administrator may prescribe. The determination of such allowances by the Administrator shall be final notwithstanding any other provision of law.

fishing owners.

Notification by War Shipping Adminis-trator.

Repayment to U.S.

notice (which time shall be specified in the notice but may be extended by the Administrator), to make arrangements satisfactory to the Administrator for such return of the vessel or shall expressly waive the right thereto, the Administrator may advertise the vessel for sale upon competitive sealed bids subject to such terms and conditions as the Administrator may prescribe, including a requirement of assurance that the vessel will not be used, for the period of one year from the date of sale, other than in the fisheries or industries related thereto, without the approval of the Administrator: Provided, however, That the Administrator may reject any bid which does not equal the purchase price or compensation paid or payable by the United States for such vessel less a reasonable allowance to cover the cost of

SEC. 3. If any such owner shall fail, within a reasonable time after

Disposition if owner fails to redeem.

reconditioning as hereinabove defined.