

[CHAPTER 178]

AN ACT

June 8, 1945
[S. 633]

[Public Law 79]

To amend the Criminal Code so as to punish anyone injuring a party, witness, or juror on account of his having acted as such.

Criminal Code,
amendments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 135 of the Criminal Code (35 Stat. 1113; 18 U. S. C. 241) be, and it hereby is, amended to read as follows:

U. S. courts, etc.
Attempt to influence, etc., party, witness, juror, or officer.

"SEC. 135. Whoever corruptly, or by threats or force, or by any threatening letter or communication, shall endeavor to influence, intimidate, or impede any party or witness, in any court of the United States or before any United States commissioner or officer acting as such commissioner, or any grand or petit juror, or officer in or of any court of the United States, or officer who may be serving at any examination or other proceeding before any United States commissioner or officer acting as such commissioner, or who shall injure any party or witness in his person or property on account of his attending or having attended such court or examination before such commissioner or officer, or on account of his testifying or having testified to any matter pending therein, or who shall injure any such grand or petit juror in his person or property on account of any verdict, presentment, or indictment assented to by him, or on account of his being or having been such juror, or who shall injure any such commissioner or officer in his person or property on account of the performance of his official duties, or who corruptly or by threats or force, or by any threatening letter or communication, shall influence, obstruct, or impede, or endeavor to influence, obstruct, or impede, the due administration of justice therein, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than five years, or both."

Injury to party or witness.

Juror.

Commissioner or officer.

Penalty.

SEC. 2. Section 135a of the Criminal Code (54 Stat. 13; 18 U. S. C. 241a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Departments or other U. S. agencies.
Attempts to influence, etc., party or witness.

"SEC. 135a. Whoever corruptly, or by threats or force, or by any threatening letter or communication, shall endeavor to influence, intimidate, or impede any party or witness in any proceeding pending before any department, independent establishment, board, commission, or other agency of the United States, or in connection with any inquiry or investigation being had by either House, or any committee of either House, or any joint committee of the Congress of the United States, or who shall injure any party or witness in his person or property on account of his attending or having attended such proceeding, inquiry, or investigation, or on account of his testifying or having testified to any matter pending therein, or who corruptly or by threats or force, or by any threatening letter or communication shall influence, obstruct, or impede, or endeavor to influence, obstruct, or impede the due and proper administration of the law under which such proceeding is being had before such department, independent establishment, board, commission, or other agency of the United States, or the due and proper exercise of the power of inquiry under which such inquiry or investigation is being had by either House, or any committee of either House or any joint committee of the Congress of the United States shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than five years or both."

Injury to party or witness.

Penalty.

SEC. 3. Section 136 of the Criminal Code (35 Stat. 1113; 18 U. S. C. 242) is amended to read as follows:

Conspiring to violate foregoing provisions.

"SEC. 136. If two or more persons conspire to violate any provision of section 135 or 135a of the Criminal Code, as amended, and one or more of such persons does any act to effect the object of the con-

spiracy, each of the parties to such conspiracy shall be punished in like manner as provided by sections 135 and 135a of the Criminal Code, as amended."

Approved June 8, 1945.

[CHAPTER 180]

AN ACT

To exempt the members of the Advisory Board appointed under the War Mobilization and Reconversion Act of 1944 from certain provisions of the Criminal Code.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That nothing contained in sections 109 and 113 of the Criminal Code (U. S. C., title 18, secs. 198 and 203) shall be deemed to apply to any person because he has heretofore been or may hereafter be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to the Advisory Board provided for by section 102 of the War Mobilization and Reconversion Act of 1944 (Public Law 458, Seventy-eighth Congress).

Approved June 9, 1945.

Punishment.

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[Public Law 80]

War Mobilization,
etc.
Advisory Board.
35 Stat. 1107, 1109.

58 Stat. 786.
50 U. S. C., Supp.
IV, app. § 1652.

[CHAPTER 181]

AN ACT

To amend section 47c of the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916, as amended, so as to authorize credit to students now or hereafter enrolled in the senior division of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps for military training received while on active duty in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, or while pursuing a course of instruction in the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 47c of the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916, as amended, be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following additional proviso: "Provided further, That under such regulations as the Secretary of War may prescribe any student now or hereafter enrolled in the senior division of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps may receive credit toward completion of the two academic years of service in that division required for admission to the advanced course and for entitlement to commutation of subsistence, as provided above, for military training which he has received while on active duty in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, or while pursuing a course of instruction in the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps, when such military training is substantially equivalent to that prescribed by regulations for admission to the advanced course."

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41 Stat. 778.
10 U. S. C. §§ 386a,
387, 387a; Supp. IV,
§ 387a.

Senior division of
R. O. T. C.
Credit for design-
ated military train-
ing.

[CHAPTER 184]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making an appropriation for emergency flood-control work and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of \$12,000,000 is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, as an emergency fund to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers for the repair, restoration, and strengthening of levees and other flood-control works which have been threatened or destroyed by the recent floods, or which may be threatened or

June 12, 1945
[H. J. Res. 208]

[Public Law 82]

Emergency flood-
control work, appro-
priations.
Ante, p. 231