March 4, 1915.  
[H. R. 4291.]
[Public, No. 305.]

CHAP. 156.—An Act To extend the time for constructing a bridge across the Missouri River near Kansas City, Missouri, authorized by an Act approved June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge authorized by the Act of Congress approved June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and fourteen, to be built across the Missouri River near Kansas City, is hereby extended to one year and three years, respectively, from the seventeenth day of June, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 4, 1915.

March 4, 1915.  
[H. R. 5000.]
[Public, No. 306.]

CHAP. 157.—An Act To extend the privileges of the seventh section of immediate-transportation Act to Bay City, Michigan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the privileges of the seventh section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, governing the immediate transporting of dutiable merchandise without appraisement, be, and they are hereby, extended to Bay City, Michigan.

Approved, March 4, 1915.

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[H. R. 4899.]
[Public, No. 307.]

CHAP. 158.—An Act To fix the standard barrel for fruits, vegetables, and other dry commodities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the standard barrel for fruits, vegetables, and other dry commodities other than cranberries shall be of the following dimensions when measured without distention of its parts: Length of stave, twenty-eight and one-half inches; diameter of heads, seventeen and one-eighth inches; distance between heads, twenty-six inches; circumference of bulge, sixty-four inches, outside measurement; and the thickness of staves not greater than four-tenths of an inch: Provided, That any barrel of a different form having a capacity of seven thousand and fifty-six cubic inches shall be a standard barrel. The standard barrel for cranberries shall be of the following dimensions when measured without distention of its parts: Length of staves, twenty-eight and one-half inches; diameter of head, sixteen and one-fourth inches; distance between heads, twenty-five and one-fourth inches; circumference of bulge, fifty-eight and one-half inches, outside measurement; and the thickness of staves not greater than four-tenths of an inch.

SEC. 2. That it shall be unlawful to sell, offer, or expose for sale in any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, or to ship from any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia to any other State, Territory, or the District of Columbia or to a foreign country, a barrel containing fruits or vegetables or any other dry commodity of less capacity than the standard barrels defined in the first section of this Act, or subdivisions thereof known as the third, half, and three-quarters barrel, and any person guilty of a willful violation of any of the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and be liable to a fine not to exceed $500, or imprisonment not to exceed six months, in the court of the United States having jurisdiction: Provided, however, That no barrel shall be deemed below standard within the meaning of this Act when shipped to any foreign country.
country and constructed according to the specifications or directions of the foreign purchaser if not constructed in conflict with the laws of the foreign country to which the same is intended to be shipped.

SEC. 3. That reasonable variations shall be permitted and tolerance shall be established by rules and regulations made by the Director of the Bureau of Standards and approved by the Secretary of Commerce. Prosecutions for offenses under this Act may be begun upon complaint of local sealers of weights and measures or other officers of the several States and Territories appointed to enforce the laws of the said States or Territories, respectively, relating to weights and measures: Provided, however, That nothing in this Act shall apply to barrels used in packing or shipping commodities sold exclusively by weight or numerical count.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall be in force and effect from and after the first day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Approved, March 4, 1915.