

herein authorized shall be available for disposition by the tribal council of said Indians, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation.

Approved, June 20, 1936.

[CHAPTER 650.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing distribution to the Gros Ventre Indians of the Fort Belknap Reservation, Montana, of the judgment rendered by the Court of Claims in their favor.

June 20, 1936.
[S. J. Res. 245.]
[Pub. Res., No. 116.]

Resolved 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 withdraw from the Treasury and to distribute per capita, as provided herein, to the Gros Ventre Indians of the Fort Belknap Reservation, Montana, the sum arising from a judgment rendered in their favor by the Court of Claims in the case docketed as E-427, credited or to be credited to said Indians on the books of the Treasury under the Act of March 13, 1924 (43 Stat. 21).

Fort Belknap Reservation, Mont.
Per capita distribution of court judgment to Gros Ventre Indians of, authorized.

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SEC. 2. That for the purpose of making the distribution herein authorized, the Secretary of the Interior shall cause a roll of said Indians to be prepared by a commission consisting of the Gros Ventre members of the Fort Belknap Community Council. In the preparation of said roll, those members of the Gros Ventre Tribe whose names appear on the allotment roll made pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1921 (41 Stat. 1355), and who are alive on the date of approval of this resolution shall first be enrolled, to which number shall be added the names of all children of one-fourth or more Gros Ventre Indian blood born to all allotted Indians of the Fort Belknap Reservation, regardless of place of residence of such children or their parents: *Provided*, That all such children so enrolled shall be alive and in being on the date of approval of this resolution: *Provided further*, That there shall be added to and included in the roll herein authorized the names of George Gambler and Josephine Gambler White, two Gros Ventre Indians omitted from the Fort Belknap allotment roll due to absence from the reservation: *Provided, however*, That said George Gambler and Josephine Gambler White have not been enrolled with or participated in the benefits of any other tribe.

Roll of Indians to be prepared.

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Provides.
Enrolling of children.

Names of George Gambler and Josephine Gambler White added.

Condition.

SEC. 3. When the roll herein provided for shall have been completed and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, he shall thereupon cause the per-capita share due each member of said Gros Ventre Tribe so enrolled to be credited to the individual Indian money account of such member for expenditure in accordance with the individual Indian money regulations.

Per capita share to be credited upon completion of roll.

Approved, June 20, 1936.

[CHAPTER 651.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Veterans' Administration to prepare and publish a compilation of all Federal laws relating to veterans of wars of the United States.

June 20, 1936.
[H. J. Res. 583.]
[Pub. Res., No. 117.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized to compile and publish all Federal laws relating to veterans' relief, including such laws as are administered by the Veterans' Administration as well as by other

Veterans' Administration.
Compilation of Federal laws relating to veterans' relief, authorized.

agencies of the Government, in such form as he may, in his discretion, deem advisable for the purpose of making currently available for the use of the Veterans' Administration and full-time representatives of the several service organizations an annotated, indexed, and cross-referenced statement of the laws providing veterans' relief in convenient form, and the Administrator is further authorized to maintain such compilation on a current basis either by the publication, from time to time, of supplementary documents or by complete revision of the compilation: *Provided*, That funds from the printing and binding appropriation for the Veterans' Administration may be used for this purpose and the distribution of the compilation to the representatives of the several service organizations shall be determined by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.

SEC. 2. Distribution of the supply remaining in the Veterans' Administration of Senate Document Numbered 131, Federal Laws Relating to Veterans of Wars of the United States, shall be made in the discretion of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Concurrent Resolution Numbered 29, Seventy-second Congress, first session.

Approved, June 20, 1936.

[CHAPTER 688.]

AN ACT

Authorizing the construction of certain public works on rivers and harbors for flood control, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

DECLARATION OF POLICY

Declaration of policy.

SECTION 1. It is hereby recognized that destructive floods upon the rivers of the United States, upsetting orderly processes and causing loss of life and property, including the erosion of lands, and impairing and obstructing navigation, highways, railroads, and other channels of commerce between the States, constitute a menace to national welfare; that it is the sense of Congress that flood control on navigable waters or their tributaries is a proper activity of the Federal Government in cooperation with States, their political subdivisions, and localities thereof; that investigations and improvements of rivers and other waterways, including watersheds thereof, for flood-control purposes are in the interest of the general welfare; that the Federal Government should improve or participate in the improvement of navigable waters or their tributaries, including watersheds thereof, for flood-control purposes if the benefits to whomsoever they may accrue are in excess of the estimated costs, and if the lives and social security of people are otherwise adversely affected.

SEC. 2. That, hereafter, Federal investigations and improvements of rivers and other waterways for flood control and allied purposes shall be under the jurisdiction of and shall be prosecuted by the War Department under the direction of the Secretary of War and supervision of the Chief of Engineers, and Federal investigations of watersheds and measures for run-off and waterflow retardation and soil erosion prevention on watersheds shall be under the jurisdiction of and shall be prosecuted by the Department of Agriculture under the direction of the Secretary of Agriculture, except as otherwise provided by Act of Congress; and that in their reports upon examinations and surveys, the Secretary of War and the Secretary of Agriculture shall be guided as to flood-control measures

Maintenance on current basis.

Proriso.
Funds for printing and binding.

Distribution of previous compilation.

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[H. R. 8455.]
[Public, No. 738.]

Flood Control Act of 1936.

Jurisdiction of Federal activities.

Reports upon examinations and surveys.