[CHAPTER 515]  AN ACT  

To limit the importation of products made, produced, processed, or mined under process covered by unexpired valid United States patents, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the importation hereafter for use, sale, or exchange of a product made, produced, processed, or mined under or by means of a process covered by the claims of any unexpired valid United States letters patent, whether issued heretofore or hereafter, shall have the same status for the purposes of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 as the importation of any product or article covered by the claims of any unexpired valid United States letters patent.

Approved, July 2, 1940.

[CHAPTER 516]  AN ACT  

To authorize the setting aside of an area within the Canal Zone to preserve and conserve its natural features for scientific study, for providing and maintaining facilities for such study, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized and directed to set aside within the Canal Zone an area in Gatun Lake known as Barro Colorado Island in which the natural features shall, except in event of declared national emergency, be left in their natural state for scientific observation and investigation.

Sec. 2. The purpose of setting aside such an area is to preserve and conserve its natural features, including existing flora and fauna, in as nearly a natural condition as possible, thus providing a place where duly qualified students can make observations and scientific investigations for increase of knowledge, under such conditions and regulations as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors of the Canal Zone Biological Area.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of War, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the President of the National Academy of Sciences and three distinguished biologists of the United States of America, appointed by the President of the National Academy of Sciences with the approval of the Secretaries of War, Agriculture, Interior, and the Smithsonian Institution, shall constitute the Board of Directors of the Canal Zone Biological Area. The President of the National Academy of Sciences shall be the chairman of the Board and the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution the vice chairman. The biologists of distinction appointed by the President of the National Academy of Sciences shall each serve for a term of three years: Provided, That of the three first appointed, one shall be designated to serve for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. Vacancies in appointed membership occurring from any cause shall be filled in the same manner as the appointment and for the same period. The members of the Board of Directors of the Canal Zone Biological Area shall serve without compensation but subsistence and travel expenses incident to attendance of called meetings of the Board may, on appropriate action of the Board, be paid from funds available to it.

Sec. 4. The Board of Directors of the Canal Zone Biological Area shall (a) meet in Washington, District of Columbia, at least once in each calendar year to consider policies and procedures for carrying out the purpose of this Act; (b) determine the policy, prescribe conditions under which studies may be pursued within