strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law: Provided further, That nothing in this section shall be construed to require an affidavit from any person employed for less than sixty days for sudden emergency work involving the loss of human life or destruction of property, the payment of salary or wages may be made to such persons from applicable appropriations for services rendered in such emergency without execution of the affidavit contemplated by this section.

Sec. 306. Limitations on amounts to be expended for personal services under appropriations in this Act shall not apply to lump-sum leave payments pursuant to the Act of December 21, 1944 (5 U. S. C. 61b-e).

Sec. 307. Funds available to the Department of Agriculture may be used for printing and binding.

Sec. 308. This Act may be cited as the “Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1950”.

Approved June 29, 1949.

[CHAPTER 281]  
JOINT RESOLUTION

To continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the joint resolution entitled “Joint resolution to continue until June 30, 1949, the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, and for other purposes”, approved February 28, 1949 (Public Law 12, Eighty-first Congress), is amended by striking out the date “June 30, 1949” wherever it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof the date “June 30, 1950”: Provided, That hereafter no sale of a vessel by the Maritime Commission shall be completed until its ballast and equipment shall have been inventoried and their value taken into consideration by the Commission in determining the selling price.

Sec. 2. Any charter (except one in respect of a passenger vessel) in effect at the time of the enactment of this joint resolution shall be terminated by the Commission at the earliest date permitted under the terms thereof after June 30, 1949, unless the charterer enters into an agreement with the Commission that each vessel delivered or retained under such charter shall not be redelivered to the Commission, at the option of the charterer, within less than six months for liner services, except United States continental coastwise and intercoastal services and services between continental United States ports and Alaska, or four months for bulk services and United States continental coastwise and intercoastal services and services between continental United States ports and Alaska, or for the remainder of the period ending June 30, 1950, if such period is less than said periods of six or four months, respectively. No charter (except one in respect of a passenger vessel) shall be made by the Commission under authority of this joint resolution or after the date of enactment thereof unless the charterer enters into an agreement with the Commission that each vessel delivered or retained under the terms of such charter shall not be redelivered to the Commission, at the option of the charterer, within
less than six months for liner services, except United States continental coastwise and intercoastal services and services between continental United States ports and Alaska, or four months for bulk services and United States continental coastwise and intercoastal services and services between continental United States ports and Alaska, or for the remainder of the period ending June 30, 1950, if such period is less than said periods of said six and four months, respectively: Provided, however, That no vessel (except a passenger vessel) so chartered may begin a new voyage after June 30, 1950.

Approved June 29, 1949.

[CHAPTER 284]

AN ACT

Amending Public Law 125, Eightieth Congress, approved June 28, 1947, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 125, Eightieth Congress, approved June 28, 1947, as amended, is hereby further amended by changing “Sec. 3” to “Sec. 4” and inserting a new Sec. 3 reading as follows:

“Sec. 3. In order to promote the conservation of the tin ore reserves of the Western Hemisphere and to increase their availability for the tin requirements of the United States through diversification of tin-recovery facilities in the United States, the powers exercised by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or its successor and continued in effect by the provisions of section 2 hereof shall include authority to offer for sale from time to time and to sell to the highest bidder for the recovery in the United States of grade A pig tin, any tin concentrates or other tin-bearing materials heretofore or hereafter acquired by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and containing not more than 25 per centum of tin; and to contract to buy up to an equivalent amount of such pig tin for future delivery, not to exceed four months from date of delivery of such concentrates or tin-bearing material to the processor, at the Reconstruction Finance Corporation’s selling price for such grade on the date of such contract: Provided, That the minimum price at which any such concentrates or tin-bearing materials are so sold shall represent no less return to the Government, as determined or estimated by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation (which determination or estimate shall be deemed conclusive), than would result through the Government itself transporting and treating such concentrates or tin-bearing materials in any Government-owned or controlled facility and transporting and selling the pig tin recovered therefrom.”

Approved June 30, 1949.

[CHAPTER 285]

AN ACT

To incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to promote the general welfare of the inhabitants of the Virgin Islands of the United States through the economic development of the Virgin Islands, there is hereby created a body corporate to be known as the Virgin Islands Corporation, hereinafter referred to as the “Corporation”. The Corporation shall be subject to the general direction of the President of the United States, or the head of such agency as he may designate as his representative.