[CHAPTER 44]

AN ACT
To suspend certain import taxes on copper.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the import tax imposed under section 3425 of the Internal Revenue Code shall not apply with respect to articles (other than copper sulfate and other than composition metal provided for in paragraph 1657 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, which is suitable both in its composition and shape, without further refining or alloying, for processing into castings, not including as castings ingots or similar cast forms) entered for consumption or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption during the period beginning April 1, 1949, and ending with the close of June 30, 1950.

Approved March 31, 1949.

[CHAPTER 45]

AN ACT
To extend for a temporary period the provisions of the District of Columbia Emergency Rent Act.

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

That section 1 (b) of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate rents in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved December 2, 1941, as amended (D. C. Code, 1940 edition, sec. 45-1601), is hereby amended by striking out "March 31, 1949" and inserting in lieu thereof "April 30, 1949".

Approved March 31, 1949.

[CHAPTER 46]

JOINT RESOLUTION
To maintain the status quo with respect to the exemption, from the tax on transportation of persons, of foreign travel via Newfoundland.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3469 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code (relating to the tax on transportation of persons) is hereby amended by inserting after the second sentence thereof a new sentence to read as follows: "A port or station within Newfoundland shall not, for the purposes of the preceding sentence, be considered as a port or station within Canada."

Sec. 2. The amendment made by this joint resolution shall apply to amounts paid for transportation on or after April 1, 1949.

Approved March 31, 1949.

[CHAPTER 47]

AN ACT
To amend the National Security Act of 1947 to provide for an Under Secretary of Defense.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 202 of the National Security Act of 1947 approved July 26, 1947 (61 Stat. 495; 5 U. S. C., sec. 171a), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(d) There shall be an Under Secretary of Defense, who shall be appointed from civilian life by the President, by and with the advice