cremated remains of deceased members of the armed forces or an urn which is a colorable imitation of the approved design, except when authorized under regulation made pursuant to law, shall be fined not more than $250 or imprisoned for not more than six months, or both."

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[CHAPTER 1093]

AN ACT

To aid the development and maintenance of American-flag shipping on the Great Lakes, and for other purposes.

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 12 (a) of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, as amended, is amended by inserting after "in commercial services", in the first sentence thereof the words "and to convert for operation on the Great Lakes, including the Saint Lawrence River and Gulf, and their connecting waterways,"

Sec. 2. Section 12 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"(e) The Secretary of Commerce is authorized, without regard to the provisions of the last paragraph of section 3 (d) of this Act, to make the allowances provided for by this subsection to purchasers of not more than ten vessels sold pursuant to this Act for exclusive use on the Great Lakes, including the Saint Lawrence River and Gulf and their connecting waterways. The allowances authorized by this subsection shall be allowances for (1) the fair and reasonable installed value, based on the domestic war cost, as computed by the Secretary, of such equipment on said vessels as is not required for their operation on the Great Lakes, and the cost of the removal thereof, (2) the fair and reasonable cost, as determined by competitive bids from shipyards, of converting, altering, modifying, and equipping such vessels for use as package freight, passenger, and combination freight and passenger vessels, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the purchasers thereof and approved by the Secretary: Provided, however, That the total allowances on any vessel made by the Secretary pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed the amounts expended by the purchaser in altering, modifying, converting, and equipping such vessel, plus the allowances provided for in clause (1) of this subsection, and in no event shall such allowances exceed 90 per centum of the unadjusted statutory sales price: Provided further, That the purchaser shall be required to accept delivery of such vessel at the reserve fleet site or such other place as such vessel may be located at the time of purchase."

Sec. 3. Contracts for the sale of vessels for exclusive use on the Great Lakes, including the Saint Lawrence River and Gulf and their connecting waterways, may be made until December 31, 1950. Such contracts shall require that transfer to the Great Lakes of such vessels by the buyers shall be completed by December 31, 1951.

Sec. 4. (a) Section 1104 (a) (2) of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, is amended by inserting after the word "advance" a comma and the following: "or, in the case of vessels purchased pursuant to the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, as amended, for exclusive use on the Great Lakes, involve an obligation in a principal amount which does not exceed 75 per centum of the net purchase price of such vessels plus the amounts expended for altering, modifying, converting, and equipping such vessels in excess of that purchase price."

(b) Section 1104 (a) (7) of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, is amended by inserting after "maintenance," the fol-
lowing: “purchase of a vessel for use on the Great Lakes pursuant to the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, as amended.”.

(c) Section 1104 (a) (8) of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, is amended by inserting after the word “financing” the following: “the purchase by citizens of the United States of vessels for use on the Great Lakes pursuant to the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, as amended, or”.

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[CHAPTER 1094]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the President, or such officer or agency as he may designate, to conclude and give effect to agreements for the settlement of intercustodial conflicts involving enemy property.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President, or such officer or agency as he may designate, is authorized to conclude and give effect to agreements to further the amicable and expeditious settlement of intercustodial conflicts involving enemy property, subject to the following:

(1) The authority herein granted shall extend only to agreements with governments with which the United States was not at war in World War II.

(2) Such agreements shall be in accordance with the policy of protecting and making available for utilization the American and nonenemy interests in such property and further the elimination of enemy interests in such property and the efficient administration and liquidation of enemy property in the United States.

(3) For the purposes of this resolution, the United States as to any intergovernmental agreements hereafter negotiated shall seek treatment equal to that accorded United States nationals for persons who, although citizens or residents of an enemy country before or during World War II, were deprived of full rights of citizenship or substantially deprived of liberty by laws, decrees, or regulations of such enemy country discriminating against racial, religious, or political groups: Provided, That on the effective date of this resolution such persons were (1) permanent residents of the United States and (2) had declared their intention to become citizens of the United States in conformity with the provisions of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended; and that such persons shall have acquired citizenship of the United States prior to the effective date of any intergovernmental agreement hereafter negotiated.

(4) Reimbursement to the United States by other governments pursuant to such agreements shall be administered as vested property: Provided, That nothing contained in this Act shall hinder, restrict or limit the payment of claims from the War Claims Fund established by section 13 of the War Claims Act of 1948 (Public Law 896, 80th Congress, July 3, 1948; 62 Stat. 1240; 50 U. S. C. App. 2001–2013), as amended.

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[CHAPTER 1107]

AN ACT

To amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, by providing for the delegation of certain authority of the Secretary of Commerce and of the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, and for other purposes.

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