Sec. 3. a. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with any provisions of this amendatory Act are hereby repealed.

b. If any provision of this amendatory Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this amendatory Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this amendatory Act are declared to be severable.

Sec. 4. Effect of this Amendatory Act.—a. Nothing herein contained shall have the effect to release or extinguish any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred under any Act or Acts of which this Act is amendatory.

b. The provisions of this amendatory Act shall govern proceedings so far as practicable and applicable in cases pending when it takes effect; but proceedings in cases then pending to which the provisions of this amendatory Act are not applicable shall be disposed of conformably to the provisions of said Act approved July 1, 1898, and the Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Approved March 18, 1950.

[CHAPTER 71]

AN ACT

To extend the benefits of the Vocational Education Act of 1946 to the Virgin Islands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Virgin Islands shall be entitled to share in the benefits of the Vocational Education Act of 1946, approved August 1, 1946, and any Act amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, upon the same terms and conditions as any of the several States. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950, and annually thereafter, the sum of $40,000, to be available for allotment to the Virgin Islands under such Act and the modifications hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Sums appropriated under authority of section 1 of this Act shall be allocated for vocational education in (1) agriculture, (2) home economics, (3) trades and industries, and (4) distributive occupations, in the proportions specified by the Vocational Education Act of 1946, except insofar as the Commissioner of Education, with the approval of the Federal Security Administrator, deems it necessary to modify said proportion to meet special conditions existing in the Virgin Islands.

Sec. 3. The provisions of sections 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the Vocational Education Act of 1946, relating to the use and payment of sums under said Act, shall apply to sums appropriated under this Act with such modifications as the Commissioner of Education, with the approval of the Federal Security Administrator, shall deem necessary to meet the special conditions existing in the Virgin Islands.

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[CHAPTER 72]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire, construct, operate, and maintain public airports in, or in close proximity to, national parks, monuments, and recreation areas, 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 Secretary

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of the Interior (hereinafter called the "Secretary") is hereby authorized to plan, acquire, establish, construct, enlarge, improve, maintain, equip, operate, regulate, and protect airports in the continental United States in, or in close proximity to, national parks, national monuments, and national recreation areas, when such airports are determined by him to be necessary to the proper performance of the functions of the Department of the Interior: Provided, That no such airport shall be acquired, established, or constructed by the Secretary unless such airport is included in the then current revision of the national airport plan formulated by the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Airport Act: Provided further, That the operation and maintenance of such airports shall be in accordance with the standards, rules, or regulations prescribed by the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics.

SEC. 2. In order to carry out the purposes of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to acquire necessary lands and interests in or over lands; to contract for the construction, improvement, operation, and maintenance of airports and incidental facilities; to enter into agreements with other public agencies providing for the construction, operation, or maintenance of airports by such other public agencies or jointly by the Secretary and such other public agencies upon mutually satisfactory terms; and to enter into such other agreements and take such other action with respect to such airports as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act: Provided, That nothing in this Act shall be held to authorize the Secretary to acquire any land, or interest in or over land, by purchase, condemnation, grant, or lease without first obtaining the consent of the Governor of the State, and the consent of the State political subdivision in which such land is located: And provided further, That the authorization herein granted shall not exceed $2,000,000.

SEC. 3. In order to carry out the purposes of this Act the Secretary is hereby authorized to sponsor projects under the Federal Airport Act either independently or jointly with other public agencies, and to use, for payment of the sponsor's share of the project costs of such projects, any funds that may be contributed or otherwise made available to him for such purpose (receipt of which funds and their use for such purposes is hereby authorized) or may be appropriated or otherwise specifically authorized therefor.

SEC. 4. All airports under the jurisdiction of the Secretary, unless otherwise specifically provided by law, shall be operated as public airports, available for public use on fair and reasonable terms and without unjust discrimination.

SEC. 5. The terms "airport", "project", "project costs", "public agency", and "sponsor", as used in this Act, shall have the respective meanings prescribed in the Federal Airport Act.

SEC. 6. Section 9 (c) of the Federal Airport Act, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) Nothing in this Act shall authorize the submission of a project application by the United States or any agency thereof, except in the case of a project in the Territory of Alaska, the Territory of Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, or in, or in close proximity to, a national park, national recreation area, or national monument, or in a national forest."

SEC. 7. Section 3 of the Federal Airport Act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding a new subsection (c) to read as follows:

"(c) In making annual revisions of the national airport plan pursuant to the provisions of this Act, the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics shall consult with and consider the views and recommendations
of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the need for development of airports in, or in close proximity to, national parks, national monuments, and national recreation areas."

Approved March 18, 1950.

[CHAPTER 73]

AN ACT
Granting the consent and approval of Congress to a compact entered into by the States of Idaho and Wyoming relating to the waters of the Snake River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent and approval of Congress is hereby given to an interstate compact relating to the waters of the Snake River, signed (after negotiations in which a representative of the United States duly appointed by the President participated) by the Commissioners for the States of Idaho and Wyoming on October 10, 1949, at Cheyenne, Wyoming, and thereafter ratified by the legislatures of each of the States aforesaid as provided for by Public Law 580, Eightieth Congress, approved June 3, 1948 (62 Stat. 294), which compact reads as follows:

SNAKE RIVER COMPACT

The States of Idaho and Wyoming, parties signatory to this compact, have resolved to conclude a compact as authorized by the Act of June 3, 1948 (62 Stat. 294), and after negotiations participated in by the following named State commissioners:

FOR IDAHO

Mark R. Kulp, Boise
N. V. Sharp, Filer
Charles H. Welteroth, Jerome
Roy Marquess, Paul
Ival V. Goslin, Aberdeen
R. Willis Walker, Rexburg
Alex O. Coleman, St. Anthony
Leonard E. Graham, Rigby
Charles E. Anderson, Idaho Falls
A. K. Van Orden, Blackfoot

FOR WYOMING

L. C. Bishop, Cheyenne
E. B. Hitchcock, Rock Springs
J. G. Ineson, Jackson
David P. Miller, Rock Springs
Carl Robinson, Afton
Ciril D. Cranney, Afton
Clifford P. Hansen, Jackson
Clifford S. Wilson, Driggs, Idaho
Lloyd Van Deburg, Jackson

and by R. J. Newell, representative of the United States of America, have agreed upon the following articles, to-wit:

ARTICLE I

A. The major purposes of this compact are to provide for the most efficient use of the waters of the Snake River for multiple purposes;