

Title.

exposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of not less than forty feet, including streets and alleys; and no money appropriated for this purpose shall be available until a valid title to the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Texas shall have ceded to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of civil process therein.

Approved, February 14, 1885.

February 16, 1885.

**CHAP. 123.**—An act to provide for the issue of duplicate checks.

Duplicate checks.  
R. S., sec. 3646, p. 717, amended.

Check lost, stolen, or destroyed may be duplicated, but for no sum exceeding \$2,500.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section thirty-six hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended to read as follows:

“Whenever any original check is lost, stolen, or destroyed, disbursing officers and agents of the United States are authorized, after the expiration of six months, and within three years from the date of such check, to issue a duplicate check; and the Treasurer, assistant treasurers, and designated depositaries of the United States are directed to pay such duplicate checks, upon notice and proof of the loss of the original checks, under such regulations in regard to their issue and payment, and upon the execution of such bonds, with sureties, to indemnify the United States, as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe. This section shall not apply to any check exceeding in amount the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars.”

Approved, February 16th, 1885.

February 17, 1885.

**CHAP. 124.**—An act to amend an act entitled “An act to provide a building for the use of the United States circuit and district courts of the United States, the post-office, internal-revenue offices, and other Government offices at Erie, Pennsylvania,” and making an additional appropriation therefor.

Erie, Pa.  
Public building.  
1882, vol. 22,  
chap. 239, p. 108,  
sec. 1, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the first section of the act entitled “An act to provide a building for the use of the United States circuit and district courts of the United States, the post-office, internal-revenue offices, and other Government offices at Erie, Pennsylvania,” approved July twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, be, and the same is hereby, amended by substituting the words “two hundred and fifty thousand dollars” in place of the words “one hundred and fifty thousand dollars;” so that the said first section of said act, as amended, shall read as follows: “Shall not exceed the cost of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.” And no plan shall be approved which will involve an expenditure for site and building complete greater than the amount hereby fixed as the limit of cost.

Appropriation.

**SEC. 2.** That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, to be expended and used under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the prosecution of the work of construction and furnishing materials therefor.

Approved, February 17th, 1885.