

# PUBLIC ACTS OF THE SIXTY-SECOND CONGRESS

OF THE

## UNITED STATES

*Passed at the third session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the second day of December, 1912, and was adjourned without day on Tuesday, the fourth day of March, 1913.*

WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, President; AUGUSTUS O. BACON, President of the Senate *pro tempore*, December 2 to 15, 1912, January 5 to 18, and February 2 to 15, 1913; JACOB H. GALLINGER, President of the Senate *pro tempore*, December 16, 1912, to January 4, 1913, January 19 to February 1, and February 16 to March 4, 1913; CHAMP CLARK, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. 1.—An Act To amend section five of the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the American Red Cross," approved January fifth, nineteen hundred and five.

December 10, 1912.  
[H. R. 20287.]

[Public, No. 341.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section five of the Act for the incorporation of the American National Red Cross, approved January fifth, nineteen hundred and five, be, and the same hereby is, amended so that the annual meeting of the said organization shall hereafter be held on Wednesday preceding the second Thursday in the month of December in each and every year.

American National Red Cross.  
Time of annual meeting changed.  
Vol. 33, p. 601, amended.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect immediately.

In effect.

Approved, December 10, 1912.

CHAP. 2.—An Act Granting to Phillips County, Arkansas, certain lots in the city of Helena for a site for a county courthouse.

December 19, 1912.  
[S. 3436.]

[Public, No. 342.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby granted to the county of Phillips, in the State of Arkansas, lots numbered one hundred and thirty-six and one hundred and thirty-seven and the north half of lot numbered one hundred and thirty-eight, in that part of the city of Helena known as "Old Helena," as a site upon which to erect a building to be used as a county courthouse and for other similar public purposes. This grant is made on condition that the construction of such building shall be commenced within one year from the date of the passage of this Act and be completed within two years thereafter and shall cost not less than seventy-five thousand dollars.

Phillips County, Ark.  
Lots in Helena, granted to, for public uses.

Condition.

Approved, December 19, 1912.

CHAP. 3.—An Act To increase the limit of cost of the United States public building at Denver, Colorado.

December 19, 1912.  
[S. 3974.]

[Public, No. 343.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the limit of cost fixed by the Act of Congress approved May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight (Thirty-fifth Statutes, page five hundred and forty-five), for the new public building at Denver, Colorado, for the accommoda-

Denver, Colo.  
Limit of cost increased for public building at.  
Vol. 35, p. 545, amended.

tion of the post office, United States courts, and other governmental offices, be, and the same is hereby, increased four hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, December 19, 12.

December 19, 1912.  
[S. 6283.]

[Public, No. 344.]

Olympia, Wash.  
Limit of cost in-  
creased for public  
building at.  
Vol. 36, p. 683,  
amended.

**CHAP. 4.**—An Act Increasing the cost of erecting a public building at Olympia, Washington.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the limit of cost heretofore fixed for the erection of a public building at Olympia, Washington, be, and the same is hereby, increased to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Approved, December 19, 1912.

December 19, 1912.  
[S. 6599.]

[Public, No. 345.]

Richford, Vt.  
Limit of cost in-  
creased for public  
building at.  
Vol. 35, p. 522,  
amended.

Appropriation.

**CHAP. 5.**—An Act Increasing the limit of cost for the erection and completion of a public building in the city of Richford, State of Vermont.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the limit of cost for a public building in the city of Richford, State of Vermont, authorized under section four of the Act of May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, be, and the same hereby is, increased from sixty thousand dollars to seventy-four thousand dollars, and that the sum of fourteen thousand dollars to provide for such increased cost be, and the same hereby is, appropriated.

Approved, December 19, 1912.

January 7, 1913.  
[H. R. 10169.]

[Public, No. 346.]

Porto Rico.  
Governor may design-  
ate justice of su-  
preme court to act in  
United States district  
court.  
Vol. 81, p. 84.

As temporary judge  
in absence, etc., of  
district judge.

**CHAP. 6.**—An Act To provide for holding the district court of the United States for Porto Rico during the absence from the island of the United States district judge and for the trial of cases in the event of the disqualification of or inability to act by the said judge.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That whenever the United States district judge of the district of Porto Rico shall be absent from the said district, and that fact shall be made to appear by the certificate in writing of the United States attorney or marshal of that district, filed in the office of the clerk of the United States district court for said district, or when for any reason the said judge shall or may be disqualified or unable to act as such in any cause pending in the district court of the United States for Porto Rico, and that fact shall be made to appear either by proper order entered in the record of said cause by the regular district judge, or by the certificate in writing of the United States attorney or marshal of that district filed in the office of the clerk of the United States district court for said district, the governor of Porto Rico may, by writing filed in the said clerk's office, designate a justice of the supreme court of Porto Rico either as temporary judge of said district court or as special judge thereof; and the temporary judge so designated as afore-said shall have and may exercise within said district, during the absence of the regular district judge, all the power of every kind by law vested in said district judge, and after the return of said district judge to said district, shall continue to have and exercise said powers with respect to any cause, the trial of which shall have been commenced before him or which shall have been submitted to him for