

Assistance, expenses, etc., authorized.

Payment from contingent funds of both Houses.

Information, etc., to be offered by Government officials.

Records, etc., to be examined.

Post, p. 1641.

mittee is authorized to employ such assistance as it may require, at such compensation as the committee may determine to be just and reasonable, and to make such reasonable expenditures as may be necessary for the proper conduct of its work, such expenditures to be paid in equal parts from the contingent funds of the House of Representatives and the Senate, as from time to time may be duly authorized by resolutions of those bodies.

SEC. 4. That the officers and employees of all administrative services of the Government shall furnish to the committee such information regarding powers, duties, activities, organization, and methods of business as the committee may from time to time require, and the committee or any of its employees, when duly authorized by the committee, shall have access to and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, or records of any administrative service for the purpose of securing the information needed by the committee in the prosecution of its work.

Received by the President, December 17, 1920.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing joint resolution having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

December 31, 1920.

[S. 4565.]

[Public, No. 290.]

CHAP. 8.—An Act Extending the time for the doing of annual assessment work on mining claims for the year 1920 to and including July 1, 1921.

Public lands.
Mining claims assessments for 1920 extended to July 1, 1921.
R. S., sec. 2324, p. 426.

Proviso.
Work for 1921 not affected.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the period within which work may be performed or improvements made for the year 1920, upon mining claims as required under section 2324 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, is hereby extended to and including the first day of July, 1921; so that work done or improvements made upon any mining claim in the United States or Alaska on or before July 1, 1921, shall have the same effect as if the same had been performed within the calendar year of 1920: *Provided,* That this Act shall not in any way change or modify the requirements of existing law as to work to be done or improvements made upon mining claims for the year 1921.

Approved, December 31, 1920.

January 4, 1921.

[S. J. Res. 212.]

[Pub. Res., No. 55.]

CHAP. 9.—Joint Resolution Directing the War Finance Corporation to take certain action for the relief of the present depression in the agricultural sections of the country, and for other purposes.

War Finance Corporation.
Activities revived to finance exports of agricultural products, etc.
Vol. 40, p. 506.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury and the members of the War Finance Corporation are hereby directed to revive the activities of the War Finance Corporation, and that said corporation be at once rehabilitated with the view of assisting in the financing of the exportation of agricultural and other products to foreign markets.

F H GILLET

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES CURTIS

Acting President of the Senate Pro Tempore.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE UNITED STATES.

January 4, 1921.

The House having proceeded, in pursuance of the Constitution, to reconsider the joint resolution (S. J. Res. 212) entitled "Joint resolution directing the War Finance Corporation to take certain action for the relief of the present depression in the agricultural sections of the country, and for other purposes," returned to the Senate by the President of the United States, with his objections thereto, and sent by the Senate to the House of Representatives, with the message of the President returning the joint resolution:

Passage by the House of Representatives.

Resolved, That the joint resolution do pass, two-thirds of the House of Representatives agreeing to pass the same.

Attest:

WM TYLER PAGE
Clerk.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

January 3, 1921.

The President of the United States having returned to the Senate, in which it originated, the joint resolution (S. J. Res. 212) "Joint Resolution directing the War Finance Corporation to take certain action for the relief of the present depression in the agricultural sections of the country, and for other purposes," with his objections thereto, the Senate proceeded in conformity with the Constitution to reconsider the same and has

Passage by the Senate.

Resolved, That the joint resolution do pass, two-thirds of the Senate agreeing to pass the same.

Attest:

GEORGE A. SANDERSON
Secretary.

CHAP. 10.—An Act To amend section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902, and for other purposes," approved March 3, 1901 (Thirty-first Statutes at Large, page 1133).

January 6, 1921.
[S. 2188.]
[Public, No. 291.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1901 (Thirty-first Statutes at Large, page 1133), be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. That section 4 of the Act of August 18, 1894, entitled 'An Act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895, and for other purposes,' be, and the same is hereby, amended so that the ten-year period within which any State shall cause the lands applied for under said Act to be irrigated and reclaimed, as provided in said section, as amended by the Act of June 11, 1896, shall begin to run from the date of approval by the Secretary of the Interior of the State's application for the segregation of such lands; and if actual construction of reclamation works is not begun within three years after the segregation of the lands or within such further period, not exceeding three years, as shall be allowed by the Secretary of the Interior, the said Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, may restore such lands to the public domain; and if the State fails, within ten years from the date of such segregation, to cause the whole or any part of the lands so segregated to be so irrigated and reclaimed, the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, continue said segregation for a period not exceeding five years, or may, in his discretion, restore such lands not irrigated and reclaimed to the public domain upon the expiration of the ten-year period or of any extension thereof."

Public lands.
Carey Act segregation.
Vol. 31, p. 1188, amended.
Commencement of period for reclaiming, etc., lands.
Vol. 23, p. 422, amended.

Vol. 29, p. 434.

Actual construction required.

Discretionary restoration to public domain on failure.

Approved, January 6, 1921.