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**CHAP. 11.**—Joint Resolution To provide funds for the repair of the elevator in the Washington Monument.

Washington Monument, D. C.  
Sum immediately available.  
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Appropriation for elevator repairs, etc.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the sum of \$900 of the appropriation for the fiscal year 1922 for care and maintenance of the Washington Monument is hereby made immediately available, and for special repairs to the elevator and other mechanical equipment of the Monument, there is appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,500, to continue available until June 30, 1922.

Approved, May 25, 1921.

May 27, 1921.  
[S. 535.]  
[Public, No. 8.]

**CHAP. 12.**—An Act Relating to the landing and operation of submarine cables in the United States.

Submarine cables.  
Landing or operating, connecting with a foreign country forbidden, unless licensed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That no person shall land or operate in the United States any submarine cable directly or indirectly connecting the United States with any foreign country, or connecting one portion of the United States with any other portion thereof, unless a written license to land or operate such cable has been issued by the President of the United States: *Provided,* That any such cable now laid within the United States without a license granted by the President may continue to operate without such license for a period of ninety days from the date this Act takes effect: *And provided further,* That the conditions of this Act shall not apply to cables, all of which, including both terminals, lie wholly within the continental United States.

*Proviso.*  
Present unlicensed cables may continue for 90 days.

Wholly within continental United States not affected.

Withholding or revoking licenses authorized.  
Conditions.

**SEC. 2.** That the President may withhold or revoke such license when he shall be satisfied after due notice and hearing that such action will assist in securing rights for the landing or operation of cables in foreign countries, or in maintaining the rights or interests of the United States or of its citizens in foreign countries, or will promote the security of the United States, or may grant such license upon such terms as shall be necessary to assure just and reasonable rates and service in the operation and use of cables so licensed: *Provided,* That the license shall not contain terms or conditions granting to the licensee exclusive rights of landing or of operation in the United States: *And provided further,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to limit the power and jurisdiction heretofore granted the Interstate Commerce Commission with respect to the transmission of messages.

*Proviso.*  
No exclusive rights to licensees.

Control of Interstate Commerce Commission over messages not impaired.  
Vol. 41, p. 474.

Prevention of illegal landing.  
Jurisdiction of Federal courts to enjoin.

**SEC. 3.** That the President is empowered to prevent the landing of any cable about to be landed in violation of this Act. When any such cable is about to be or is landed or is being operated, without a license, any district court of the United States exercising jurisdiction in the district in which such cable is about to be or is landed, or any district court of the United States having jurisdiction of the parties, shall have jurisdiction, at the suit of the United States, to enjoin the landing or operation of such cable or to compel, by injunction, the removal thereof.

Punishment for violations.

**SEC. 4.** That whoever knowingly commits, instigates, or assists in any act forbidden by section 1 of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

"United States."  
Comprehensive meaning of term.

**SEC. 5.** That the term "United States" as used in this Act includes the Canal Zone, the Philippine Islands, and all territory, continental or insular, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States of America.