

house purposes; lot 7 of section 12, except strip two hundred and fifty feet in width reserved for Coast Guard purposes; lots 8, 10, 11, and southwest quarter of southeast quarter section 12; lots 2 and 6 of section 13; lot 1 of section 14, all in township 33 north, range 15 west, of Willamette meridian, in Washington, containing eight hundred and sixty-five and twenty-eight one-hundredths acres.

Approved, May 21, 1926.

**CHAP. 362.**—An Act To amend an Act entitled “An Act to provide for the equitable distribution of captured war devices and trophies to the States and Territories of the United States and to the District of Columbia,” approved June 7, 1924.

May 22, 1926.

[S. 2475.]

[Public, No. 257.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 2 and section 3 of an Act entitled “An Act to provide for the equitable distribution of captured war devices and trophies to the States and Territories of the United States and to the District of Columbia,” approved June 7, 1924, be amended to read as follows:

World War trophies.  
Distribution of.  
Vol. 43, p. 597.  
Post, p. 578.

“**SEC. 2.** That for the purposes of this Act the reports heretofore compiled under the direction of the Secretary of War showing the number of men in the armed forces of the United States accredited to each State, Territory, and possession of the United States, and to the District of Columbia, either by enlistment or by the process of the Selective Service Act, or otherwise drawn into and becoming an integral part of the armed forces of the United States during the period April 7, 1917, to November 11, 1918, and the allotment of war trophies suitable for distribution among the several States, Territories, and possessions, and the District of Columbia, shall serve as the basis of distribution. As soon as practicable after the date upon which this Act shall become effective the Secretary of War shall cause the chief executive of each of the several States, Territories, and possessions, and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to be informed of the character and quantity of war devices and trophies apportioned thereto, and shall invite each such chief executive and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to designate such material as will be accepted free on board common carrier at the point of storage and to designate the point or points to which the accepted material is to be shipped without expense to the United States other than that of packing and loading at the point of storage: *Provided,* That the Secretary of War is authorized to apportion and distribute such war devices and trophies, formerly contemplated by the said reports heretofore compiled as unsuitable for distribution as trophies, as he deems suitable for distribution and to include the Canal Zone in such apportionment and distribution.

Compilation made of  
armed forces from  
States, during World  
War, to serve as basis of  
distribution.

Prompt detailed notice to executives of States, etc., of apportionment.

*Proviso.*  
Distribution of devices heretofore considered unsuitable.

Vol. 43, p. 598, amended.

Shipment on notice of acceptance, etc.

“**SEC. 3.** Shipment of the apportionment of each State, Territory, and possession, and the District of Columbia accepted shall be made as soon as practicable after the chief executive or the commissioners thereof, as the case may require, shall have informed the Secretary of War that such State, Territory, possession, or District will accept and take possession thereof as hereinbefore provided for and will relieve the United States of all responsibility for the safe delivery of the material and of all charges, costs, and expenses whatsoever connected with the transportation thereof: *Provided,* That if the chief executive or the commissioners of any State, Territory, possession, or District shall not, on or before July 1, 1927, file with the Secretary of War such acceptance and agreement, such apportionment, or any part thereof, shall be reapportioned and redistributed to the several States, Territories, and possessions of the United

*Proviso.*  
Reapportionment, etc., if acceptance not filed before July 1, 1927.

Vol. 43, p. 598, amended.

Disposal of residue.

States, the District of Columbia, and the Canal Zone as the Secretary of War shall determine, and any residue not accepted or rejected on or before July 1, 1928, shall be sold as surplus property as it then is and where it then is, or shall be destroyed, all as the Secretary of War, in his discretion, shall determine; war devices and trophies considered by the Secretary of War as unsuitable for distribution under this Act, may be sold, or otherwise disposed of."

Approved, May 22, 1926.

May 22, 1926.  
[S. 4073.]

[Public, No. 268.]

**CHAP. 363.**—An Act To provide for the establishment of the Shenandoah National Park in the State of Virginia and the Great Smoky Mountain National Park in the States of North Carolina and Tennessee, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That when title to lands within the areas hereinafter referred to shall have been vested in the United States in fee simple there shall be, and are hereby, established, dedicated, and set apart as public parks for the benefit and enjoyment of the people, the tract of land in the Blue Ridge, in the State of Virginia, being approximately five hundred and twenty-one thousand acres recommended by the Secretary of the Interior in his report of April 14, 1926, which area, or any part or parts thereof as may be accepted on behalf of the United States in accordance with the provisions hereof, shall be known as the Shenandoah National Park; and the tract of land in the Great Smoky Mountains in the States of North Carolina and Tennessee being approximately seven hundred and four thousand acres, recommended by the Secretary of the Interior in his report of April 14, 1926, which area, or any part or parts thereof as may be accepted on behalf of the United States in accordance with the provisions hereof, shall be known as the Great Smoky Mountains National Park: *Provided*, That the United States shall not purchase by appropriation of public moneys any land within the aforesaid areas, but that such lands shall be secured by the United States only by public or private donation.

**SEC. 2.** The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to accept as hereinafter provided on behalf of the United States title to the lands referred to in the previous section hereof and to be purchased with the \$1,200,000 which has been subscribed by the State of Virginia and the Shenandoah National Park Association of Virginia and with other contributions for the purchase of lands in the Shenandoah National Park area, and with the \$1,066,693 which has been subscribed by the State of Tennessee and the Great Smoky Mountains Conservation Association and by the Great Smoky Mountains (Incorporated) (North Carolina) and with other contributions for the purchase of lands in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park area.

**SEC. 3.** That the administration, protection, and development of the aforesaid parks shall be exercised under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior by the National Park Service, subject to the provisions of the Act of August 25, 1916, entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes," as amended: *Provided*, That the provisions of the Act approved June 10, 1920, known as the Federal Water Power Act, shall not apply to these parks: *And provided further*, That the minimum area to be administered and protected by the National Park Service shall be for the Shenandoah National Park area two hundred and fifty thousand acres and for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park

National parks.  
Shenandoah, Va., and  
Great Smoky Mountains,  
N. C. and Tenn.,  
set apart as, when lands  
thereof vested in  
United States.

Tract in the Blue  
Ridge, Va.

In the Great Smoky  
Mountains, N. C. and  
Tenn.

*Proviso.*  
Lands to be secured  
only by donation.  
*Post*, p. 966.

Acceptance of title of  
lands in Shenandoah  
Park area in Virginia.

In Smoky Mountain  
Park area in Tennessee  
and North Carolina.

National Park Service  
to administer, etc.

Vol. 29, p. 535.

*Proviso.*  
Water power Act not  
applicable.  
Vol. 41, p. 1063.  
Minimum area specified.