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Black bass.
Sale of, unlawful.

Punishment for violations.

Effective immediately.

SEC. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to offer for sale or to sell within the District of Columbia, either large-mouth or small-mouth black bass.

SEC. 3. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall, upon conviction thereon, be punished by a fine not exceeding $100, or by imprisonment for a term of not more than three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 4. This Act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 344.—An Act To provide for one additional district judge for the eastern district of Michigan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one district judge for the eastern district of Michigan in addition to those now authorized by law. He shall be entitled to receive the same salary, payable in the same manner, as is now provided for district judges in said district. This additional district judge shall reside within said district and shall be subject to the general provisions of law relating to district judges of the United States.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 345.—An Act To amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide more effectively for the national defense by increasing the efficiency of Air Corps of the Army of the United States, and for other purposes," approved July 2, 1926.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second sentence of subdivision (r) of section 10 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide more effectively for the national defense by increasing the efficiency of the Air Corps of the Army of the United States, and for other purposes," approved July 2, 1926, is amended so as to compose three sentences to read as follows:

"Any individual, firm, or corporation may submit to the board for its action any design, whether patented or unpatented, for aircraft, aircraft parts, or aeronautical accessories. The board shall refer any design so submitted to the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics for its recommendation. If and when the committee makes a favorable recommendation to the board in respect of the design, the board shall then proceed to determine whether the use of the design by the Government is desirable or necessary and evaluate the design and fix its worth to the United States in an amount not to exceed $75,000."

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 346.—An Act To amend the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act for the retirement of employees in the classified civil service, and for other purposes,' approved May 22, 1920, and Acts in amendment thereof,' approved July 3, 1926, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act for the retirement of employees in the classified civil service, and for other purposes,'
approved May 22, 1920, and Acts in amendment thereof," approved July 3, 1926, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows:

In section 2 of said Act after the words "provided that if," in the first paragraph of said section, strike out the words "not less than thirty days before the arrival of an employee at the age of retirement."

Sec. 2. In all cases where an employee has heretofore been continued in service subsequent to having arrived at the age of retirement, such continuation shall for all purposes be deemed valid, notwithstanding the time at which the certifications by the head of the department and the Civil Service Commission provided in section 2 of the Act hereby amended were made.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 347.—An Act Authorizing an appropriation for the construction of a roadway and walk leading to and around the Chalmette Monument, Chalmette, Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of $15,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of constructing a roadway and walk on grounds owned by the United States to and around the Chalmette Monument, at Chalmette, Louisiana, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War: Provided, That the construction of the said roadway and walk shall not be commenced until the Secretary of War has received assurances satisfactory to him that the said roadway and walk will be extended by the State of Louisiana or the local authorities, and in a substantial manner, from the boundary of the Government lands to the Saint Bernard Avenue road.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 348.—An Act To create a Bureau of Customs and a Bureau of Prohibition in the Department of the Treasury.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be in the Department of the Treasury a bureau to be known as the Bureau of Customs, a bureau to be known as the Bureau of Prohibition, a Commissioner of Customs, and a Commissioner of Prohibition. The Commissioner of Customs shall be at the head of the Bureau of Customs, and the Commissioner of Prohibition shall be at the head of the Bureau of Prohibition. The Commissioner of Customs and the Commissioner of Prohibition shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, without regard to the civil service laws, and each shall receive a salary at the rate of $8,000 per annum.

Sec. 2. (a) The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to appoint, in each of the bureaus established by section 1, one assistant commissioner, two deputy commissioners, one chief clerk, and such attorneys and other officers and employees as he may deem necessary. One of the deputy commissioners of the Bureau of Customs shall have charge of investigations. Appointments under this subdivision shall be subject to the provisions of the civil service laws, and the salaries shall be fixed in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923.