[CHAPTER 557.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the President to invite foreign countries to participate in the San Francisco Bay Exposition in 1939 at San Francisco, California.

Whereas there is to be held at San Francisco, California, during the year 1939 an international exposition which has for its purpose the celebration of the completion of the San Francisco-Oakland Bridge and the Golden Gate Bridge, and which is designed to depict and exhibit the progress and accomplishments of the Pacific area of the United States in science, industry, business, transportation, and culture, and which, because of its world character, will contribute to cordial relations among the nations of the world; and

Whereas, because of its location and purpose, its scope and aims, said exposition is deserving of the support and encouragement of the Government of the United States of America: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and respectfully requested by proclamation, or in such manner as he may deem proper, to invite foreign countries and nations to such proposed exposition with a request that they participate therein.

Approved, June 15, 1936.

[CHAPTER 581.]

AN ACT

Amending the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 16 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, title 46, section 815), is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 16. That it shall be unlawful for any shipper, consignor, consignee, forwarder, broker, or other person, or any officer, agent, or employee thereof, knowingly and willfully, directly or indirectly, by means of false billing, false classification, false weighing, false report of weight, or by any other unjust or unfair device or means to obtain or attempt to obtain transportation by water for property at less than the rates or charges which would otherwise be applicable.

"That it shall be unlawful for any common carrier by water, or other person subject to this Act, either alone or in conjunction with any other person, directly or indirectly—

"First. To make or give any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any particular person, locality, or description of traffic in any respect whatsoever, or to subject any particular person, locality, or description of traffic to any undue or unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage in any respect whatsoever.

"Second. To allow any person to obtain transportation for property at less than the regular rates or charges then established and enforced on the line of such carrier by means of false billing, false classification, false weighing, false report of weight, or by any other unjust or unfair device or means.

"Third. To induce, persuade, or otherwise influence any marine insurance company or underwriter, or agent thereof, not to give a competing carrier by water as favorable a rate of insurance on vessel