

on page 247 of volume 45 of the United States Statutes at Large, after the word "employees" the following: "officers and employees of other civilian agencies of the United States and bonded officers and enlisted men of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard."

Approved March 31, 1944.

[CHAPTER 149]

JOINT RESOLUTION

March 31, 1944
[H. J. Res. 234]
[Public Law 276]

To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, for the purpose of further regulating interstate and foreign commerce in tobacco, and for other purposes.

Whereas the increased demand for cigarettes and other tobacco products has resulted in record usages during recent years of burley tobacco; and

Whereas, due to a shortage of labor and equipment and the need for the production of essential food and fiber crops, the production of burley tobacco has not kept pace with this increased usage; and

Whereas small growers of burley tobacco could, if their acreage allotments were increased, produce additional burley tobacco without adversely affecting their production of essential food and fiber crops: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 313 (a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, the burley tobacco acreage allotment which would otherwise be established for any farm having a burley acreage allotment in 1943 shall not be less than one acre, or 25 per centum of the cropland, whichever is the smaller, and the acreage required for apportionment under this joint resolution shall be in addition to the National and State acreage allotments.

Resolved, That Public Law 118, Seventy-eighth Congress, approved July 7, 1943, is amended by striking out the words "marketing year 1944-45" and inserting in lieu thereof "marketing years 1944-45, 1945-46, and 1946-47".

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[CHAPTER 150]

AN ACT

April 1, 1944
[S. 1285]
[Public Law 277]

To facilitate voting, in time of war, by members of the land and naval forces, members of the merchant marine, and others, absent from the place of their residence, and to amend the Act of September 16, 1942, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 712, Seventy-seventh Congress, be amended by inserting after the enacting clause the words "TITLE I" and by striking out sections 3 to 15, inclusive, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"SEC. 3. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to restrict the right of any member of the armed forces of the United States or of any other person to vote in accordance with the law of the State of his residence.

"TITLE II

"USE OF STATE BALLOTS

"SEC. 201. The Congress hereby expresses itself as favoring, and recommends to the several States the immediate enactment of,

Burley tobacco acreage allotment.
52 Stat. 47.
7 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 1313 (a).

Marketing quotas.
57 Stat. 387.
7 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 1313 note.

Absentee voting in time of war.
56 Stat. 753.
50 U. S. C., Supp. III, §§ 301-315.

Right to vote.

Recommendations to States.
Enactment of appropriate legislation.