

if this amendatory Act had not been enacted, and that until the effective date of action of the Judicial Conference of Senior Circuit Judges to prescribe fees for miscellaneous services pursuant to section 8 of the Act of February 11, 1925, as amended by this Act, fees for miscellaneous services shall continue to be charged and collected as if this amendatory Act had not been enacted.

Ante, p. 744.

Approved September 27, 1944.

[CHAPTER 415]

AN ACT

To amend the Nationality Act of 1940 to permit the Commissioner to furnish copies of any part of the records or information therefrom to agencies or officials of a State without charge.

September 27, 1944
[H. R. 1690]
[Public Law 428]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 342 (b) (9) of the Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1161; U. S. C., title 8, sec. 742) is amended to read as follows:

Nationality Act of 1940, amendment.
Post, p. 755.

“(9) Reasonable fees, with the approval of the Attorney General, in cases where such fees have not been established by law, to cover the cost of furnishing copies, whether certified or uncertified, of any part of the records, or information from the records, of the Service. Such fees shall not exceed a maximum of 25 cents per folio, with a maximum fee of 50 cents for any one such service, in addition to a fee of \$1 for any official certification furnished under seal. No such fee shall be required from officers or agencies of the United States or of any State or any subdivision thereof, for such copies or information furnished for official use in connection with the official duties of such officers or agencies.”

Fees for furnishing copies of records.

Copies furnished without charge.

Approved September 27, 1944.

[CHAPTER 416]

AN ACT

To provide for the disposal of materials or resources on the public lands of the United States which are under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior.

September 27, 1944
[H. R. 2697]
[Public Law 429]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, under such rules as he may prescribe, may dispose of sand, stone, gravel, vegetation, and timber or other forest products, on public lands of the United States which are under his exclusive jurisdiction, if the disposal of such materials is not otherwise expressly authorized by law and if such disposal would not be detrimental to the public interest. Such materials may be disposed of only upon the payment of adequate compensation therefor, to be determined by the Secretary, and only after public notice of the disposal has been given prior thereto in such manner as may be prescribed by the Secretary. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to any national park or national monument or to any Indian lands or lands set aside or held for the use or benefit of Indians, including lands over which jurisdiction has been transferred to the Department of the Interior by executive order for the use of Indians.

Public lands. Disposal of certain materials.

Compensation and notice.

Lands excluded.

SEC. 2. All moneys received from the disposal of materials under this Act shall be disposed of in the same manner as moneys received from the sale of public lands.

Disposal of moneys received.

SEC. 3. Before disposing of any such materials referred to in section 1, the Secretary shall first give public notice, published in a newspaper published in the county where such materials are located

Publication of notice.

Materials in excess
of \$10,000.
Limitation of pow-
ers.

and if no newspaper is published in such county, then in the county nearest thereto, for at least thirty days, of his intention to dispose of such materials. No such materials in excess of \$10,000 shall be disposed of unless authorized by laws of the United States. The powers granted in this Act shall cease to exist at the cessation of hostilities in the present war as determined by the President by proclamation or the Congress by concurrent resolution and the provisions of this Act shall not apply where disposal of such materials have been expressly prohibited by laws of the United States.

Approved September 27, 1944.

[CHAPTER 417]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to accept property for the Moores Creek National Military Park, 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 Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to accept in behalf of the United States donations of lands, buildings, structures, and other property, or interests therein, which he may determine to be of historical interest in connection with the Moores Creek National Military Park, the title to such property or interests to be satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided,* That the area to be accepted pursuant to this Act shall not exceed one hundred acres. All such property and interests, upon acquisition by the Federal Government, shall be a part of the Moores Creek National Military Park and shall be subject to all laws and regulations applicable thereto.

Approved September 27, 1944.

[CHAPTER 418]

AN ACT

To expatriate or exclude certain persons for evading military and naval service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 401 of the Nationality Act of 1940, approved October 14, 1940 (54 Stat. 1168; U. S. C., title 8, sec. 801), be, and it hereby is, amended by substituting a semicolon and the word "or" in lieu of the period at the end of subsection (i) and by adding thereto a new subsection to be lettered subsection (j), reading as follows:

"(j) Departing from or remaining outside of the jurisdiction of the United States in time of war or during a period declared by the President to be a period of national emergency for the purpose of evading or avoiding training and service in the land or naval forces of the United States."

SEC. 2. Section 3 of the Act of February 5, 1917 (39 Stat. 875), as amended (U. S. C., title 8, sec. 136), is further amended by inserting the following clause before the clause "persons who have been convicted of or admit having committed a felony or other crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;": "persons who have departed from the jurisdiction of the United States for the purpose of evading or avoiding training or service in the armed forces of the United States during time of war or during a period declared by the President to be a period of national emergency".

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Moores Creek Na-
tional Military Park.

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[H. R. 4267]
[Public Law 431]

Nationality Act of
1940, amendment.

Ante, pp. 4, 677.

Expatriation for
evading military or
naval service.

Exclusion from ad-
mission to U. S.