

application for a new permit, and pays the fee required by law, shall be issued such new permit without examination. If any permit is lost, misplaced, or stolen, a duplicate shall be furnished by the Director of Vehicles and Traffic free of charge upon application and presentation of conclusive evidence that applicant is a member of one of the services enumerated herein."

SEC. 2. This Act shall cease to be in effect six months after the date of the termination of hostilities in the present war as determined by the President or upon such earlier date as the Congress, by concurrent resolution, may designate.

Approved December 15, 1944.

Duplicates.

Duration of Act.

[CHAPTER 590]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands in Powell townsite, Wyoming, Shoshone reclamation project, Wyoming, to the University of Wyoming.

December 15, 1944
[H. R. 4665]
[Public Law 487]

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause a patent to issue conveying that unplatted portion of the townsite of Powell, Wyoming, on the Shoshone reclamation project, located in the northwest corner of the townsite, containing approximately twenty-four acres, to the University of Wyoming, in trust for use as an agricultural experiment substation; but in said patent there shall be reserved to the United States all oil, coal, and other mineral deposits within said lands and the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same.

University of Wyoming.
Conveyance of lands.

Use.

SEC. 2. The conveyance herein authorized shall be made upon the express condition that any use to which the area is put shall comply with all town ordinances and that within thirty days of the receipt of any request therefor from the Secretary of the Interior, the president of the University of Wyoming shall submit a report as to the use made of the land herein granted the university during the preceding period named in such request, showing compliance with the terms and conditions stated in this Act; and that in the event of his failure to so report, or in the event of a showing in such report to the Secretary of the Interior that the terms of the grant have not been complied with, the grant shall be held to be forfeited and the title shall revert to the United States, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and empowered to determine the facts and declare such forfeiture and such reversion and restore said land to the public domain, and such order of the Secretary shall be final and conclusive.

Condition.

Reversionary provision.

Approved December 15, 1944.

[CHAPTER 591]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the President to appoint an Under Secretary of War during national emergencies, fixing the compensation of the Under Secretary of War, and authorizing the Secretary of War to prescribe duties", approved December 16, 1940.

December 15, 1944
[H. R. 5494]
[Public Law 488]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the President to appoint an Under Secretary of War during national emergencies, fixing the compensation of the Under Secretary of War, and authorizing the Secretary of War to prescribe duties", approved December 16, 1940 (54 Stat. 1224), is amended by striking from the last paragraph thereof the sentence

Under Secretary of War.
Emergency appointment, continuation.

5 U. S. C. § 181a note.

which reads "The provisions of this Act shall cease to have effect on January 20, 1945, unless continued in force by an Act of Congress", and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "This Act shall remain in force during the continuance of the present war, and for six months after the termination thereof, or until such earlier time as the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President may designate."

Approved December 15, 1944.

[CHAPTER 592]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To extend the statute of limitation in certain cases.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That effective as of December 7, 1943, all statutes, resolutions, laws, articles, and regulations, affecting the possible prosecution of any person or persons, military or civil, connected with the Pearl Harbor catastrophe of December 7, 1941, or involved in any other possible or apparent dereliction of duty, or crime or offense against the United States, that operate to prevent the court martial, prosecution, trial, or punishment of any person or persons in military or civil capacity, involved in any matter in connection with the Pearl Harbor catastrophe of December 7, 1941, or involved in any other possible or apparent dereliction of duty, or crime or offense against the United States, are hereby extended for a further period of six months, in addition to the extensions provided for in Public Law 208, Seventy-eighth Congress, and Public Law 339, Seventy-eighth Congress.

Approved December 15, 1944.

[CHAPTER 595]

AN ACT

To amend the District of Columbia Motor Vehicle Parking Facility Act of 1942, approved February 16, 1942.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph lettered (b) of section 3 of the District of Columbia Motor Vehicle Parking Facility Act of 1942, approved February 16, 1942, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "The words 'such property' in this paragraph shall include, in addition to property acquired under this Act, any other property, heretofore or hereafter acquired by the District, until needed for the purpose for which it was acquired, or if no longer needed for the purpose for which it was acquired, or upon which parking facilities may be established without impairing its use for the purpose for which it was acquired: *Provided*, That in each case the agency shall have made a determination that parking facilities thereon are necessary or expedient. Before establishing any parking facilities upon the property not acquired under authority of this Act, the Commissioners shall request the National Capital Park and Planning Commission for its recommendations and it shall be the duty of said Commission to report thereon within thirty days of such request."

SEC. 2. Section 4 of said Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "The Commissioners are also authorized to delegate to the agency any or all of the powers vested in said Commissioners by sections 1 and 2 of the Act entitled 'An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to provide for the parking of automobiles in the Municipal Center', approved June 6, 1940."

December 15, 1944
[S. J. Res. 156]
[Public Law 489]

Pearl Harbor catastrophe.
Extension of statutes of limitation.

57 Stat. 605.
Ante, p. 276.

December 16, 1944
[H. R. 1951]
[Public Law 490]

District of Columbia Motor Vehicle Parking Facility Act of 1942, amendments.
56 Stat. 91.
D. C. Code, Supp. III, § 40-804 (b).

56 Stat. 92.
D. C. Code, Supp. III, § 40-805.

54 Stat. 241.