

agency or by any other person, firm, association, or corporation, and also irrespective of whether such establishments are operated for profit or otherwise.

SEC. 2. This Act shall not apply to the United States Senate and House of Representatives restaurants.

Approved December 20, 1944.

[CHAPTER 614]

AN ACT

To amend Public, Numbered 507, Seventy-seventh Congress, second session, an Act to further expedite the prosecution of the war, approved March 27, 1942, known as the Second War Powers Act, 1942.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title XV, section 1501, of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, approved March 27, 1942, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 1501. Titles I to VII, inclusive, and titles IX, XI, and XIV of this Act, and the amendments to existing law made by any such title, shall remain in force only until December 31, 1945, or until such earlier time as the two Houses of Congress by concurrent resolution, or the President, may designate, and after such amendments cease to be in force any provision of law amended thereby shall be in full force and effect as though this Act had not been enacted; but no court proceeding brought under any such title shall abate by reason of the termination hereunder of such title."

Title III of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"(9) The district courts of the United States are hereby given exclusive jurisdiction to enjoin or set aside, in whole or in part, any order suspending any priority or allocation, or denying a stay of any such suspension, that may have been issued by any person, officer, or agency, acting or purporting to act hereunder, or under any other law or authority.

"Any action to enjoin or set aside any such order shall be brought within five days after the service thereof.

"No suspension order shall take effect within five days after it has been served, or, if an application for a stay is made to the issuing authority within such five-day period, until the expiration of five days after service of an order denying the stay.

"The venue of any such suit shall be in the district court of the United States for the district in which the petitioner has his principal place of business; and the respondent shall be subject to the jurisdiction of such court after ten days before the return day of the writ, either when (1) process shall have been served on any district manager or other agent of the respondent of similar or superior status; or (2) notice by registered mail shall have been given to respondent, or to the office of the Attorney General of the United States."

Approved December 20, 1944.

[CHAPTER 615]

AN ACT

To assist in the internal development of the Virgin Islands by the undertaking of useful projects therein, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to assist in the internal development of the Virgin Islands, and for the benefit of the government, municipalities, and inhabitants thereof, the

Privately operated establishments.

Exceptions.

December 20, 1944
[H. R. 4963]
[Public Law 509]

Second War Powers Act, 1942, amendments.

56 Stat. 187.
50 U. S. C., Supp. III, app. § 645.

Time extensions of designated provisions.
55 Stat. 176-181, 183, 186.

50 U. S. C., Supp. III, app. §§ 631-637, 639, 641-644c, 644-644b.

56 Stat. 177.
50 U. S. C., Supp. III, app. § 633.

Priorities.
Jurisdiction to enjoin suspension orders, etc.

Time limitations.

Venue and jurisdiction.

December 20, 1944
[H. R. 5029]
[Public Law 510]

Virgin Islands.
Projects authorized for internal development.