directly from the mains of the water supply system of the District of Columbia at the Dalecarlia Filtration Plant, or from other points on said water system, shall be made at such time and in such manner as the Secretary of War and said Board of Commissioners may prescribe; all such payments to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States as other water rents now collected in the District of Columbia are now deposited, but for water as may be supplied through the water mains of Arlington County, as hereinabove authorized, such payments shall be made by said Arlington County in the same manner as payments for water supplied for the use of said Arlington County: Provided further, That payment for water delivered to communities in said metropolitan area from or through the water mains of Arlington County shall be made to said county as may be mutually arranged on an equitable basis and as approved by the Secretary of War and said Board of Commissioners: And provided further, That the Secretary of War, directly or upon the request of the Board of Commissioners, may revoke at any time any permit for the use of said water that may have been granted.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of War, through the Chief of Engineers, shall have the right at all times to investigate the distribution systems of any community outside the District of Columbia supplied with water from the said District of Columbia water system and if, in his opinion, there is an excessive wastage of water, he shall have the right to curtail the supply to said communities to the amount of such wastage.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of War or the said Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or condemnation all necessary lands, easements, and rights-of-way for pipe lines within the District of Columbia, needed for the purposes of this Act.

Approved June 26, 1947.

[CHAPTER 150]

AN ACT

To admit the American-owned ferry Crosline to American registry and to permit its use in coastwise trade.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the provisions of section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 46, sec. 883), the ferry Crosline, owned by the State of Washington, shall be admitted to American registry, and shall be entitled to engage in the coastwise trade and to transport passengers and merchandise between points in the United States, including Districts, Territories, and possessions thereof embraced within the coastwise laws.

Approved June 26, 1947.

[CHAPTER 152]

AN ACT

To amend section 2 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out in the first sentence "1947" and inserting "1949".

Approved June 26, 1947.