

York shall have taken the necessary action to do so, the state of New York shall be a party to this compact for the purpose of controlling and abating the pollution of waterways common to New York and the New England states signatory to this compact but excluding the waters under the jurisdiction of the Interstate Sanitation Commission (New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut).

“ARTICLE XI

“This compact shall become effective immediately upon the adoption of the compact by any two contiguous states of New England but only in so far as applies to those states and upon approval by Federal law. Thereafter upon ratification by other contiguous states, it shall also become effective as to those states.”

SEC. 2. Without further submission of the compact, the consent of Congress is given to the States of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont, and to the State of New York pursuant to article X of the compact, to enter into the compact as a signatory State and party thereto.

SEC. 3. Nothing contained in this Act or in the compact herein approved shall be construed as impairing or affecting the sovereignty of the United States or any of its rights or jurisdiction in and over the area or waters which are the subject of the compact.

SEC. 4. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 408]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Amending Public Law 27, Eightieth Congress.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of Public Law 27, Eightieth Congress, approved March 31, 1947, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 2. The authority granted by this resolution shall remain in force only until April 1, 1948: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the Commandant, United States Coast Guard, to grant waivers for the employment of alien seamen except for those who served between December 7, 1941, and September 2, 1945, aboard vessels operated by the War Shipping Administration, the United States Maritime Commission, or the Army Transport Service.”

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 409]

AN ACT

For the relief of Willie P. Goodwin, J. M. Thorud, and W. H. Stokley.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General is authorized and directed to issue per diem orders retroactively to cover per diem payments that have been made or will be made to postal employees detailed to postal units, camps, posts, or stations handling military mail, or to civilian plants devoted to war production at rates not to exceed that provided and authorized by the Act of December 7, 1945 (59 Stat. 603).

SEC. 2. In the audit and settlement of the accounts of postmasters and other designated disbursing officers of the Post Office Department

Effectivity.

Consent of Congress to designated States.

Rights, etc., of U. S.

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[H. J. Res. 245]
[Public Law 228]

U. S. Coast Guard.
Ante, p. 33.

Time limitation.
Waivers for employment of alien seamen.

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[H. R. 1648]
[Public Law 294]

Postal service.
Per diem payments to designated employees.

39 U. S. C. § 133 note.
Credit in accounts.

and postal service credit shall be allowed for all payments made under authority of per diem orders issued by the Postmaster General pursuant to section 1 of this Act.

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 410]

AN ACT

To amend the Act of April 21, 1932 (47 Stat. 88), entitled "An Act to provide for the leasing of the segregated coal and asphalt deposits of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian Nations, in Oklahoma, and for an extension of time within which purchasers of such deposits may complete payments".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of April 21, 1932 (47 Stat. 88), is hereby amended to provide that leases or renewal leases may be made for any term not to exceed fifteen years: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall operate to prevent the sale pursuant to law of the segregated coal or asphalt deposits leased or unleased of the Choctaw-Chickasaw Nations at any time, but any such sale shall be subject to any leases of such deposits heretofore or hereafter made pursuant to law.

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 411]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for civil functions administered by the War Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, 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 following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, for civil functions administered by the War Department, and for other purposes, namely:

CIVIL FUNCTIONS OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

CEMETERIAL EXPENSES

Cemeterial expenses: For maintaining and improving national cemeteries, including fuel for and pay of superintendents and the superintendent at Mexico City, and other employees; purchase of grave sites; maintenance of the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater, chapel, and grounds in the Arlington National Cemetery, and that portion of Congressional Cemetery to which the United States has title and the graves of those buried therein, including Confederate graves, and the burial site of Pushmataha, a Choctaw Indian chief; repair to roadways but not to more than a single approach road to any national cemetery; for headstones or markers for unmarked graves of soldiers, sailors, and marines under the Acts approved March 3, 1873, February 3, 1879, February 26, 1929, and April 18, 1940 (24 U. S. C. 279-280b), and civilians interred in post cemeteries; for maintenance of monuments, tablets, roads, fences, and so forth, made and constructed by the United States in Cuba and China to mark the places where American soldiers fell; maintenance of the Confederate Mound in Oakwood Cemetery at Chicago, the Confederate Stockade Cemetery at Johnstons Island, the Confederate burial plats owned by the United States in Confederate Cemetery at North Alton, the

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[H. R. 2005]
[Public Law 295]

Choctaw-Chickasaw
Nations.
Coal and asphalt
deposits.

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[H. R. 4002]
[Public Law 296]

War Department
Civil Appropriation
Act, 1948.
Ante, pp. 71, 118,
187, 188, 245, 361, 608,
609, 625; *post*, p. 779.

Maintenance of na-
tional cemeteries.

Headstones.
17 Stat. 545; 20 Stat.
281; 45 Stat. 1307; 54
Stat. 142.

Confederate ceme-
teries.