Public Law 224

AN ACT

To amend section 9 of the Act of May 22, 1928, as amended, authorizing and directing a national survey of forest resources.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to authorize and direct the Secretary of Agriculture to extend the Nation-wide forest survey authorized and directed by section 9 of the Act of May 22, 1928, as amended (45 Stat. 699, 702; 58 Stat. 265; 63 Stat. 271; 16 U. S. C. 581h), to the Territories and possessions of the United States, said section is amended by inserting after the word “State” a comma and the words “Territory or possession”, and after the words “products in the United States” the words “and its Territories and possessions”.

Approved August 8, 1953.

Public Law 225

AN ACT

To amend the Air Commerce Act of 1926, as amended, to authorize navigation of foreign civil aircraft in the United States through reciprocity and under regulations of the Civil Aeronautics Board.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of the Air Commerce Act of 1926, as amended, is hereby amended by striking subsections (b) and (c) thereof and by inserting a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) Foreign aircraft, which are not a part of the armed forces of a foreign nation, may be navigated in the United States by airmen holding certificates or licenses issued or rendered valid by the United States or by the nation in which the aircraft is registered if such foreign nation grants a similar privilege with respect to aircraft of the United States and only if such navigation is authorized by permit, order, or regulation issued by the Civil Aeronautics Board hereunder, and in accordance with the terms, conditions, and limitations thereof. The Civil Aeronautics Board shall issue such permits, orders, or regulations to such extent only as the Board shall find such action to be in the interest of the public: Provided, however, That in exercising its powers hereunder, the Board shall do so consistently with any treaty, convention or agreement which may be in force between the United States and any foreign country or countries. Foreign civil aircraft permitted to navigate in the United States under this subsection may be authorized by the Board to engage in air commerce within the United States except that they shall not take on at any point within the United States persons, property, or mail carried for compensation or hire and destined for another point within the United States. Nothing contained in this subsection (b) shall be deemed to limit, modify, or amend section 402 of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, but any foreign air carrier holding a permit under said section 402 shall not be required to obtain additional authorization under this subsection with respect to any operation authorized by said permit.”

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