

Scrapie and blue  
tongue.  
Minor outbreaks.

cattle, dourine in horses, scrapie and blue tongue in sheep, incipient or potentially serious minor outbreaks of diseases of animals, and contagious or infectious diseases of animals (such as foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, and contagious pleuropneumonia) which in the opinion of the Secretary constitute an emergency and threaten the livestock industry of the country, including the purchase and destruction of diseased or exposed animals (including poultry), or the destruction of such animals and the payment of indemnities therefor, in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe. As used in this section, the term 'State' includes the District of Columbia and the Territories and possessions of the United States."

Approved August 8, 1953.

Public Law 228

CHAPTER 382

AN ACT

August 8, 1953  
[S. 2434]

To amend the Northern Pacific Halibut Act of 1937.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 2 of the Northern Pacific Halibut Act of 1937 (50 Stat. 325, 16 U. S. C. 772) is amended as follows:

Subsection (a) is amended by deleting the words "29th day of January 1937" and substituting in lieu thereof "2d day of March 1953 and any other treaty or convention which modifies or replaces that Convention" and by deleting the words "of the International Fisheries Commission".

Subsection (b) is amended by deleting the words "International Fisheries Commission provided for by article III of the Convention", and substituting in lieu thereof "Commission provided for in the Convention".

Effective date.

This Act shall take effect on the date of entry into force of the Convention between the United States of America and Canada for the Preservation of the Halibut Fishery of the Northern Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea, signed at Ottawa, March 2, 1953.

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Public Law 229

CHAPTER 383

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 8, 1953  
[S. J. Res. 6]

To provide for a continuance of civil government for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

61 Stat. 397.

Whereas, pursuant to the authority of Public Law 204, Eightieth Congress, of July 18, 1947, the President approved the trusteeship agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands between the United States and the United Nations, effective July 18, 1947; and

Whereas responsibility for civil administration of the Trust Territory was vested in the Secretary of the Navy by Executive Order Numbered 9875 of July 18, 1947; and

3 C F R, 1947  
Supp., p. 160.

Whereas responsibility for such civil administration was transferred to the Secretary of the Interior, effective July 1, 1951, by Executive Order Numbered 10265 of June 29, 1951; and

48 USC note prec.  
1451.

Whereas organic legislation for the Trust Territory is now pending before the Congress: It is hereby

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That until June 30, 1954, all executive, legislative, and judicial authority necessary for the civil administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands shall continue to be vested in such person or persons and shall be exercised in such manner and through such agency or agencies as the President of the United States may direct or authorize.

Trust Territory of Pacific Islands. Civil government.

SEC. 2. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated for a period not to exceed one year such sums, not to exceed \$7,500,000, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution: *Provided, however,* That no new activity requiring expenditures of Federal funds shall be initiated without specific prior approval of the Congress.

Appropriation.

SEC. 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1953 (Public Law 470, Eighty-second Congress, second session, 66 Stat. 445), the Island Trading Company of Micronesia shall not have succession after December 31, 1954.

Island Trading Company of Micronesia.

Approved August 8, 1953.

Public Law 230

CHAPTER 384

AN ACT

August 8, 1953  
[H. R. 1524]

To facilitate the management of the National Park System and miscellaneous areas administered in connection with that system, 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 facilitate the administration of the National Park System and miscellaneous areas administered in connection therewith, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to carry out the following activities, and he may use applicable appropriations for the aforesaid system and miscellaneous areas for the following purposes:

National Park System. Administration.

1. Rendering of emergency rescue, fire fighting, and cooperative assistance to nearby law enforcement and fire prevention agencies and for related purposes outside of the National Park System and miscellaneous areas.

Emergency assistance.

2. The erection and maintenance of fire protection facilities, water lines, telephone lines, electric lines, and other utility facilities adjacent to any area of the said National Park System and miscellaneous areas, where necessary, to provide service in such area.

Utility facilities.

3. Transportation to and from work, outside of regular working hours, of employees of Carlsbad Caverns National Park, residing in or near the city of Carlsbad, New Mexico, such transportation to be between the park and the city, or intervening points, at reasonable rates to be determined by the Secretary of the Interior taking into consideration, among other factors, comparable rates charged by transportation companies in the locality for similar services, the amounts collected for such transportation to be credited to the appropriation current at the time payment is received: *Provided,* That if adequate transportation facilities are available, or shall be available by any common carrier, at reasonable rates, then and in that event the facilities contemplated by this paragraph shall not be offered.

Carlsbad Caverns National Park. Transportation of employees.

4. Furnishing, on a reimbursement of appropriation basis, all types of utility services to concessioners, contractors, permittees, or other users of such services, within the National Park System and miscellaneous areas: *Provided,* That reimbursements for cost of such utility services may be credited to the appropriation current at the time reimbursements are received.

Utility services for concessioners, etc.