and void and of no effect immediately or upon the satisfaction of said liens, as the case may be, and thereafter the owner of property described in any such deed may use, transfer, mortgage, lease, sell, or otherwise encumber or dispose of said property without regard to such restrictions.

(b) The Puerto Rico Reconstruction Administration shall not impose, in any deed of conveyance executed by it during the period of liquidation prescribed by this joint resolution, any restrictions except such restrictions as may be required by the laws of the United States or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Sec. 5. There shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, as miscellaneous receipts, (a) any and all proceeds from the sale, transfer, or other disposition of the properties and interests aforesaid, (b) the balance remaining in the so-called revolving fund established by the Act of February 11, 1936 (49 Stat. 1135), after costs of liquidation, salaries of employees, and other similar obligations, are paid, and (c) all sums realized from the liquidation of accounts receivable.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and empowered to do all necessary acts and things in addition to those specifically authorized in this joint resolution to enable him to accomplish the purposes thereof.

Sec. 7. The Secretary of the Interior shall, upon completion of the liquidation as directed by this joint resolution, submit a report thereon to the Congress of the United States, reciting the disposition made of properties and moneys.

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Public Law 277

AN ACT

To eliminate certain discriminatory legislation against Indians in the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 53 of title 18, United States Code, is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the chapter analysis preceding section 1151 of such title the following new item:

"1161. Application of Indian liquor laws."

Sec. 2. Title 18, United States Code, is hereby further amended by inserting in chapter 53 thereof immediately after section 1160 a new section, to be designated as section 1161, as follows:

"§ 1161. Application of Indian liquor laws

"The provisions of sections 1154, 1156, 3113, 3488, and 3618, of this title, shall not apply within any area that is not Indian country, nor to any act or transaction within any area of Indian country provided such act or transaction is in conformity both with the laws of the State in which such act or transaction occurs and with an ordinance duly adopted by the tribe having jurisdiction over such area of Indian country, certified by the Secretary of the Interior, and published in the Federal Register."

Sec. 3. The consent of the United States is hereby given to repeal of the third and eleventh paragraphs of article 20 of the constitution of Arizona, and that part of section 1 of article 21 of the constitution
of New Mexico relating to the sales of intoxicants to Indians, if the
people of Arizona and New Mexico shall adopt constitutional amend­
ments to accomplish such repeal.

Sec. 4. Section 9 of the Act of June 4, 1920, An Act to provide for
allotment of lands of the Crow Tribe, for the distribution of tribal
funds, and for other purposes (41 Stat. 751), is hereby repealed.

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Public Law 278

CHAPTER 503

AN ACT

To facilitate the development and construction of water conservation facilities
by States and municipalities, 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 development and construction by States and municipalities
of water conservation facilities, certain requirements in the Fed­
eral Power Act are made inapplicable to States and municipalities
as provided in this Act.

Sec. 2. The words used in this Act shall have the same meanings
ascribed to them in the Federal Power Act.

Sec. 3. Section 14 of the Federal Power Act pertaining to the taking
over by the United States of any project upon or after the expiration
of a license, and sections 301 and 302 of said Act requiring certain
records and accounting procedures and section 4 (b) requiring the
preparation and filing of the statement of actual legitimate original
cost of a project, shall not be applicable to any project owned by a
State or municipality, and such rights and requirements shall not
exist under any license heretofore or hereafter granted to any State
or municipality, except that the provisions of section 14 and section 4
(b) shall continue to be applicable to any license issued for a hydro­
electric development in the International Rapids section of the Saint
Lawrence River. The Federal Power Commission in determining the
amount of annual charges applicable to any such project may deter­
mine the annual charges with reference to the actual cost of services
incurred by the Commission with respect to the project.

Sec. 4. Except as herein provided, the provisions of this Act shall
not be construed as repealing or affecting any of the provisions of the
Federal Power Act.

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Public Law 279

CHAPTER 504

AN ACT

To permit the coordination of the Wisconsin retirement fund with the Federal
old-age and survivors insurance system.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 218 of
the Social Security Act (relating to voluntary agreements for cover­
age of State and local employees) is hereby amended by adding at the
end thereof the following new subsection:

"WISCONSIN RETIREMENT FUND

"(m) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (d), the agreement with the
State of Wisconsin may, subject to the provisions of this subsection,