

Public Law 85-2

JOINT RESOLUTION

January 18, 1957
[S. J. Res. 2]

To extend the time for transmitting the economic report of the President for the first regular session of the Eighty-fifth Congress.

70 Stat. 289,
15 USC 1022.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 3 (a) of the Employment Act of 1946, as amended (relating to the time for filing the economic report of the President), the economic report for the first regular session of the Eighty-fifth Congress shall be transmitted not later than January 23, 1957.

Approved January 18, 1957.

Public Law 85-3

AN ACT

January 25, 1957
[H. R. 20]

To amend Public Law 954, Eighty-fourth Congress, approved August 3, 1956.

70 Stat. 979,
8 USC 101 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 954 of the Eighty-fourth Congress, approved August 3, 1956, entitled "An Act to provide for a President's Advisory Commission on Presidential Office Space" be amended as follows: In the second sentence of section 1 strike out the words "within six months" and insert in lieu thereof the words "within ten months".

Approved January 25, 1957.

Public Law 85-4

AN ACT

February 11, 1957
[S. 537]

To amend the Small Business Act of 1953 to increase the amount available thereunder for business loans.

70 Stat. 10,
15 USC 633.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fifth sentence of section 204 (b) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended to read as follows: "Not to exceed an aggregate of \$230,000,000 shall be outstanding at any one time for the purposes enumerated in section 207 (a)."

SEC. 2. Section 204 (b) of such Act is further amended by striking out "\$375,000,000" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "\$455,000,000".

Approved February 11, 1957.

Public Law 85-5

AN ACT

February 19, 1957
[H. R. 3845]

Extending for one year the time in which the Boston National Historic Sites Commission shall complete its work.

Boston National
Historic Sites
Commission.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4 of the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to provide for investigating the feasibility of establishing a coordinated local, State, and Federal program in the city of Boston, Massachusetts, and general vicinity thereof, for the purpose of preserving the historic properties,

objects, and buildings in that area", approved June 16, 1955 (69 Stat. 136), is amended by striking out "two years" and inserting in lieu thereof "three years".

Approved February 19, 1957.

Public Law 85-6

AN ACT

February 26, 1957
[H. R. 348]

To amend section 12 of the Act approved February 22, 1889 (25 Stat. 676) relating to the admission into the Union of the States of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, and Washington, by providing for the use of public lands granted to the States therein for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, repair, renovation, furnishings, equipment, or other permanent improvement of public buildings at the capital of said States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 12 of the Act relating to the admission into the Union of the States of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, and Washington, approved February 22, 1889, is amended to read as follows:

Public buildings
land grants.
Use of income in
certain States.
25 Stat. 680.

"That upon the admission of each of said States into the Union, in accordance with the provisions of this Act, fifty sections of unappropriated public lands within such States, to be selected and located in legal subdivisions as provided in section 10 of this Act, shall be, and are hereby, granted to said States for public buildings at the capital of said States for legislative, executive, and judicial purposes, including construction, reconstruction, repair, renovation, furnishings, equipment, and any other permanent improvement of such buildings and the acquisition of necessary land for such buildings, and the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued for any of the above purposes."

25 Stat. 679.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect as of February 22, 1889.

Effective date.

Approved February 26, 1957.

Public Law 85-7

JOINT RESOLUTION

To promote peace and stability in the Middle East.

March 9, 1957
[H. J. Res. 117]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be and hereby is authorized to cooperate with and assist any nation or group of nations in the general area of the Middle East desiring such assistance in the development of economic strength dedicated to the maintenance of national independence.

Middle East.
Economic as-
sistance.

SEC. 2. The President is authorized to undertake, in the general area of the Middle East, military assistance programs with any nation or group of nations of that area desiring such assistance. Furthermore, the United States regards as vital to the national interest and world peace the preservation of the independence and integrity of the nations of the Middle East. To this end, if the President determines the necessity thereof, the United States is prepared to use armed forces to assist any such nation or group of such nations requesting assistance against armed aggression from any country controlled by international communism: *Provided,* That such employment shall be consonant with the treaty obligations of the United States and with the Constitution of the United States.

Military assist-
ance.

SEC. 3. The President is hereby authorized to use during the balance of fiscal year 1957 for economic and military assistance under this

Use of appro-
priations.