“(6) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the title of any owner, whether as trustee or otherwise, to vessels (as the term is defined in the Ship Mortgage Act, 1920, as now in effect or hereafter amended) leased, subleased, or conditionally sold to any water carrier which holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity or permit issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and any right of such owner or of any other lessor to such water carrier to take possession of such property in compliance with the provisions of any such lease or conditional sale contract shall not be affected by the provisions of this chapter if the terms of such lease or conditional sale so provide.”

Approved October 17, 1968.

Public Law 90-587

AN ACT

To authorize the Commissioner of the District of Columbia to enter into and renew reciprocal agreements for police mutual aid on behalf of the District of Columbia with the local governments in the Washington metropolitan area.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of the District of Columbia is hereby authorized in his discretion to enter into and to renew reciprocal agreements, for such period as he deems advisable, with any county, municipality, or other governmental unit in the States of Maryland and Virginia, in order to establish and carry into effect a plan to provide mutual aid, through the furnishing of policemen and other agents and employees, together with all necessary equipment, in the event of war, internal disorder, fire, flood, epidemic, or other public disorder which threatens or has occurred.

Sec. 2. The District of Columbia shall not enter into any such agreement unless the agreement provides that each of the parties to such agreement shall (1) waive any and all claims against all the other parties thereto which may arise out of their activities outside their respective jurisdictions under such agreement; (2) indemnify and save harmless the other parties to such agreement from all claims by third parties for property damage or personal injury which may arise out of the activities of the other parties to such agreement outside their respective jurisdictions under such agreement.

Sec. 3. The policemen and other officers, agents, and employees of the District, when acting hereunder or under other lawful authority beyond the territorial limits of the District, shall have all of the pension, relief, disability, workmen’s compensation, and other benefits enjoyed by them while performing their respective duties within the District of Columbia.

Sec. 4. The Commissioner of the District of Columbia shall be responsible for directing the activities of all policemen and other officers and agents coming into the District pursuant to any such reciprocal agreement, and the Commissioner is empowered to authorize all policemen and other officers and agents from outside the District to enforce the laws applicable in the District to the same extent as if they were duly authorized officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force of the District of Columbia.

Approved October 17, 1968.