

## ESTIMATES AS NOT CONSTITUTING LIMITATIONS

Act July 31, 1953, ch. 298, title I, §1, 67 Stat. 275, provided in part that the estimated project costs specified in this subchapter not constitute limitations on amounts that could be expended for such projects.

Similar provisions were contained in acts July 9, 1952, ch. 597, title I, §101, 66 Stat. 459; Aug. 31, 1951, ch. 375, title I, §101, 65 Stat. 264.

## SUBCHAPTER VI—AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM

**§§ 1409m to 1409o. Repealed. Pub. L. 97-357, title III, § 308(f), Oct. 19, 1982, 96 Stat. 1710**

Section 1409m, act Oct. 29, 1951, ch. 603, §1, 65 Stat. 661, related to establishment and maintenance of an agricultural research and extension service program.

Section 1409n, act Oct. 29, 1951, ch. 603, §2, 65 Stat. 662, related to transfer of functions, property, etc., of the agricultural experiment stations in Virgin Islands from Secretary of the Interior to Secretary of Agriculture.

Section 1409o, act Oct. 29, 1951, ch. 603, §3, 65 Stat. 662, related to authorization of appropriations and use of funds.

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**§ 1411. Guano districts; claim by United States**

Whenever any citizen of the United States discovers a deposit of guano on any island, rock, or key, not within the lawful jurisdiction of any other government, and not occupied by the citizens of any other government, and takes peaceable possession thereof, and occupies the same, such island, rock, or key may, at the discretion of the President, be considered as appertaining to the United States.

(R.S. § 5570.)

## CODIFICATION

R.S. § 5570 derived from act Aug. 18, 1856, ch. 164, §1, 11 Stat. 119.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 1415, 1417 of this title.

**§ 1412. Notice of discovery of guano and proofs**

The discoverer shall, as soon as practicable, give notice verified by affidavit, to the Department of State, of such discovery, occupation, and possession, describing the island, rock, or key, and the latitude and longitude thereof, as near as may be, and showing that such possession was taken in the name of the United States; and shall furnish satisfactory evidence to the State Department that such island, rock, or key was not, at the time of the discovery thereof, or of the taking possession and occupation thereof by the claimants, in the possession or occupation of any other government or of the citizens

of any other government, before the same shall be considered as appertaining to the United States.

(R.S. § 5571.)

## CODIFICATION

R.S. § 5571 derived from act Aug. 18, 1856, ch. 164, §1, 11 Stat. 119.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 1413 of this title.

**§ 1413. Completion of proof on death of discoverer**

If the discoverer dies before perfecting proof of discovery or fully complying with the provisions of section 1412 of this title, his widow, heir, executor, or administrator shall be entitled to the benefits of such discovery, upon complying with the provisions of this chapter. Nothing herein shall be held to impair any rights of discovery or any assignment by a discoverer recognized prior to April 2, 1872, by the United States.

(R.S. § 5572.)

## CODIFICATION

R.S. § 5572 derived from act Apr. 2, 1872, ch. 81, §1, 17 Stat. 48.

**§ 1414. Exclusive privileges of discoverer**

The discoverer, or his assigns, being citizens of the United States, may be allowed, at the pleasure of Congress, the exclusive right of occupying such island, rocks, or keys, for the purpose of obtaining guano, and of selling and delivering the same to citizens of the United States, to be used therein, and may be allowed to charge and receive for every ton thereof delivered alongside a vessel, in proper tubs, within reach of ship's tackle, a sum not exceeding \$8 per ton for the best quality, or \$4 for every ton taken while in its native place of deposit.

(R.S. § 5573.)

## CODIFICATION

R.S. § 5573 derived from act Aug. 18, 1856, ch. 164, §2, 11 Stat. 119.

**§ 1415. Restrictions upon exportation**

No guano shall be taken from any island, rock, or key mentioned in section 1411 of this title, except for the use of the citizens of the United States or of persons resident therein. The discoverer, or his widow, heir, executor, administrator, or assigns, shall enter into bond, in such penalty and with such sureties as may be required by the President, to deliver the guano to citizens of the United States, for the purpose of being used therein, and to none others, and at the price prescribed, and to provide all necessary facilities for that purpose within a time to be fixed in the bond; and any breach of the provisions thereof shall be deemed a forfeiture of all rights accruing under and by virtue of this chapter.

(R.S. § 5574.)

## CODIFICATION

R.S. § 5574 derived from acts Aug. 18, 1856, ch. 164, §2, 11 Stat. 119; July 28, 1866, ch. 298, §3, 14 Stat. 328; Apr. 2, 1872, ch. 81, §1, 17 Stat. 48.