

Such course shall be first offered during the high-school term beginning in 1942. Thereafter such additional courses in aeronautics may be added as deemed desirable by the Board of Education. The same credit toward graduation may be given for said course as is given for other optional courses in said schools.

SEC. 2. The Board is further authorized to employ a sufficient number of teachers of aeronautics, not to exceed six, adequately to instruct those pupils who elect to pursue the said course, at the salary rates authorized for teachers in the senior high schools.

Teachers.

SEC. 3. The Board shall provide the pupils of the senior high schools, free of charge, with the use of all aeronautical textbooks, maps, and other necessary educational supplies required for said course.

Textbooks, etc.

SEC. 4. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated a sum not to exceed \$16,000 in order to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Appropriation authorized.

SEC. 5. The Board shall hereafter include in its annual estimates of money required for the public schools of the District of Columbia for the ensuing year an amount sufficient to defray the expenses herein authorized.

Inclusion of expenses in annual estimates.

Approved, December 16, 1941.

[CHAPTER 586]

AN ACT

December 16, 1941
[H. R. 5509]
[Public Law 349]

To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase or accept as gifts motorboats, yachts, and similar vessels for Coast Guard use.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, during any period of national emergency proclaimed by the President, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to purchase, or accept as a gift, for the use of the Coast Guard in the performance of its maritime police functions, any motorboat, yacht, or other small craft owned by a citizen or citizens of the United States and suitable for patrolling harbors, bays, roadsteads, and other navigable waters of the United States.

Coast Guard.
Acquisition of small craft for emergency use.

SEC. 2. The purchase of any vessel pursuant to the provisions of this Act may be made without regard to the provisions of section 3709, Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 41, sec. 5).

Purchases without advertising.

SEC. 3. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amount as may be necessary to purchase vessels pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

Appropriation authorized.

SEC. 4. In the event the Coast Guard should operate as a part of the Navy during any period of national emergency, the authority conferred by this Act upon the Secretary of the Treasury shall vest in, and be exercised by, the Secretary of the Navy.

Emergency vesting of authority.

Approved, December 16, 1941.

[CHAPTER 587]

AN ACT

December 16, 1941
[H. R. 5694]
[Public Law 350]

To prevent the sale of unwholesome food in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no person shall sell, or cause to be sold, or offer for sale any food which is unwholesome or unfit for use.

District of Columbia.
Sale of unwholesome food forbidden.

SEC. 2. For the purposes of this Act the term "food" means any article used for consumption by a human being or an animal.

"Food."

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the health officer of the District of Columbia, and he or his duly appointed agent is hereby authorized,

Duties of health officer.

to inspect all food possessed or offered for sale, and condemn, denature, destroy, seize or remove such food as may be unfit for consumption.

Rules and regulations.

SEC. 4. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Prosecutions.

SEC. 5. Prosecutions for violations of any of the provisions of this Act or of any regulations promulgated thereunder shall be on information in the police court of the District of Columbia by the corporation counsel of the District of Columbia or any of his assistants.

Penalty.

SEC. 6. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act or any of the regulations promulgated thereunder shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$300 or imprisoned for not more than ninety days.

52 Stat. 1040.
21 U. S. C. §§ 301-392.

SEC. 7. This Act shall in no respect be considered as a repeal of any of the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, but shall be construed as supplemental thereto.

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[CHAPTER 588]

AN ACT

December 17, 1941
[H. R. 5074]
[Public Law 351]

To provide additional safeguards to the radio communications service of ships of the United States in the interest of national defense, and for other purposes.

Radio operators aboard certain vessels. Employment unlawful if disapproved by Secretary of the Navy.
6 F. R. 2617.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That during the national emergency declared by the President on May 27, 1941, to exist, but not after July 1, 1943, or the date upon which the President proclaims the existing national defense emergency terminated, whichever occurs first, for the purpose of strengthening the national defense by providing additional safeguards, it shall be unlawful to employ any person or to permit any person to serve as radio operator aboard any vessel (other than a vessel of foreign registry) if the Secretary of the Navy—

(1) has disapproved such employment for any specified voyage, route, or area of operation, and

(2) has notified the master of the vessel of such disapproval prior to the departure thereof.

No such vessel shall be granted clearance, depart or attempt to depart from any port or place in the United States, its territories or possessions, or the Canal Zone, while having on board a person serving as radio operator in violation of this Act. For any violation of this Act, the master and the owner shall be severally subject to a penalty of not more than \$1,000 for which penalties the vessel shall be liable. Such penalties on application may be mitigated or remitted by the Secretary of Commerce.

Penalties.

Approved, December 17, 1941.

[CHAPTER 589]

AN ACT

December 17, 1941
[H. R. 5757]
[Public Law 352]

To define and punish vagrancy in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia. Persons deemed vagrants.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following classes of persons shall be deemed vagrants in the District of Columbia:

Thieves, etc.

(1) Any person known to be a pickpocket, thief, burglar, confidence operator, or felon, either by his own confession or by his having