

ACTS OF THE ELEVENTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of November, 1809, and ended on the first day of May, 1810.

JAMES MADISON, President; GEORGE CLINTON, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate; ANDREW GREGG, President of the Senate pro tempore, from the 9th to the 19th of December, 1809; JOHN GAILLARD, President of the Senate pro tempore, on the 2d of March, and from the 20th of April to the 1st of May, 1810; J. B. VARNUM, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE II.

Dec. 9, 1809.

[Obsolete.]

Certain documents to be free of postage.

CHAPTER I.—*An Act to authorize the transportation of certain Documents free of postage.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the members of Congress, the secretary of the Senate, and the clerk of the House of Representatives, be, and they are hereby respectively authorized to transmit free of postage, the message of the President of the United States, of the twenty-ninth of November, one thousand eight hundred and nine, and the documents accompanying the same, printed by order of the Senate, and by order of the House of Representatives, to any post-office within the United States, and territories thereof, to which they may direct; any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, December 9, 1809.

STATUTE II.

Dec. 15, 1809.

Act of May 7, 1800, ch. 41.

Act of Feb. 27, 1809, ch. 19.

Governor to apportion the representatives, and to issue his writ for the election.

Afterwards to be apportioned by the general assembly.

Governor to issue a proclamation for supplying vacancy in the delegation to Congress.

CHAP. II.—*An Act supplemental to an act entitled "An act extending the right of suffrage in the Indiana territory, and for other purposes."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the governor of the Indiana territory, for the time being, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to apportion the representatives among the several counties in said territory, as he shall think proper, having regard to the numbers limited in the fourth section of the act to which this is a supplement, and to issue his writ for the election of such representatives agreeably to the apportionment which he may make, at such time as he shall deem most convenient for the citizens of the several counties in said territory.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That so soon as the legislature of said territory shall be convened, the number of representatives in each county thereof shall be regulated by the general assembly.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That when any vacancy shall occur in the legislative council, by death, resignation or removal from office, or when from either of said causes there shall be no delegate from said territory to the Congress of the United States, the governor shall