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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,
*February 8, 1897.*

The Senate having proceeded, in pursuance of the Constitution, to reconsider the bill entitled "An Act to constitute a new division of the eastern judicial district of Texas, and to provide for the holding of terms of court at Beaumont, Texas, and for the appointment of a clerk for said court," returned to the House of Representatives by the President of the United States, with his objections, and sent by the House of Representatives to the Senate, with the message of the President returning the bill:

*Resolved*, That the bill do pass, two thirds of the Senate agreeing to pass the same.

Attest: WM. R COX *Secretary.*

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**CHAP. 179.**—An Act To correct the muster roll of Company I of the Seventh Iowa Infantry Volunteers. February 8, 1897.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of War is hereby directed to correct the muster roll of Company I, Seventh Regiment of Iowa Infantry Volunteers, so as to show that said company was enrolled in the service on the fifteenth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one. Seventh Iowa Infantry. Enrollment of Company I corrected.

Received by the President, January 27, 1897.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

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**CHAP. 205.**—An Act To amend section forty-eight hundred and twenty-nine of the United States Revised Statutes concerning surgeons, assistant surgeons, and other medical officers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. February 9, 1897.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section forty-eight hundred and twenty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended by the addition of the following words: "*Provided*, That surgeons, assistant surgeons, and other medical officers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and the several branches thereof, may be appointed from others than those who have been disabled in the military service of the United States." Volunteer Soldiers' Home. R. S., sec. 4829, p. 937, amended. Appointment of medical officers.

Approved, February 9, 1897.

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**CHAP. 213.**—An Act To quiet title and possession with respect to certain unconfirmed and located private land claims in the State of Louisiana. February 10, 1897.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the lands situate in the State of Louisiana, known as the located but unconfirmed private land claims therein, aggregating about eighty thousand acres, and specifically described in the list or tabular statement accompanying the report, dated February nineteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, made by the surveyor-general of Louisiana to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under a resolution of the United States Senate of December Louisiana. Located private land claims confirmed.