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Texas; New London, Connecticut, and Superior, Michigan, Bangor, Maine, and Apalachicola, Florida, and the ports of Dubuque, Iowa, and Toledo, Ohio, Evansville, Indiana; Memphis, Tennessee; Nashville, Tennessee; Gallipolis, Ohio; Wheeling, West Virginia; Burlington, Vermont; and Jacksonville, Florida; Louisville, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio, at the rate of one thousand five hundred dollars per year for each local inspector.

Assistant inspectors. Secretary of Commerce and Labor may appoint. Salaries.

"And, in addition, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor may appoint, in districts or ports where there are two hundred and twenty-five steamers and upwards to be inspected annually, assistant inspectors, at a salary, for the port of New York, of two thousand dollars a year each; for the port of New Orleans, Louisiana; the districts of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Baltimore, Maryland; the ports of Boston, Massachusetts; Chicago, Illinois, and the district of San Francisco, California, at one thousand eight hundred dollars per year each, and for all other districts and ports at a salary not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars a year each; and he may appoint a clerk to any such board at a compensation not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars a year to each person so appointed. Every inspector provided for in this or the preceding sections of this title shall be paid his actual and reasonable traveling expenses or mileage, at the rate of five cents a mile, incurred in the performance of his duties, together with his actual and reasonable expenses for transportation of instruments, which shall be certified and sworn to under such instructions as shall be given by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Mileage, etc.

Duties.

"Assistant inspectors, appointed as provided by law, shall perform such duties of actual inspection as may be assigned to them under the direction, supervision, and control of the local inspectors.

Detail.

"And the Secretary of Commerce and Labor may from time to time detail said assistant inspectors of one port or district for service in any other port or district, as the needs of the Steamboat-Inspection Service may, in his discretion, require, and the actual and reasonable traveling expenses or mileage of assistant inspectors so detailed shall be paid in the same manner as provided in this section for inspectors."

Effect.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect and be in force on and after the first day of July, nineteen hundred and five.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

March 3, 1905.
[H. R. 18201.]
[Public, No. 189.]

CHAP. 1456.—An Act To amend sections forty-four hundred and eighteen, forty-four hundred and eighty, and forty-four hundred and eighty-three of the Revised Statutes, and to repeal sections forty-four hundred and thirty-five, forty-four hundred and thirty-six, and forty-four hundred and fifty-nine of the Revised Statutes, all relating to the Steamboat-Inspection Service.

Steamboat-Inspection Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-four hundred and eighteen of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and it is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Inspection of boilers, etc. R. S., sec. 4418, p. 856, amended.

"SEC. 4418. The local inspectors shall also inspect the boilers and their appurtenances in all steam vessels before the same shall be used, and once at least in every year thereafter, and shall subject all boilers to the hydrostatic pressure. All such vessels shall comply with the following requirements, namely: That the boilers are well made, of good and suitable material; that the openings for the passage of water and steam, respectively, and all pipes and tubes exposed to heat, are of proper dimensions and free from obstructions; that the spaces between and around the flues are sufficient; that flues, boilers, furnaces, safety valves, fusible plugs, low-water indicators, feed-water apparatus, gauge cocks, steam gauges, water and steam pipes

Requirements as to construction, etc.

Fire doors.

connecting boilers, means of prevention of sparks and flames from fire doors, low-water gauges, means of removing mud and sediment from boilers, and all other such machinery and appurtenances thereof, are of such construction, shape, condition arrangement, and material that the same may be safely employed in the service proposed without peril to life; and the local inspectors shall satisfy themselves by thorough examination that said requirements of law and regulations in regard thereto have been fully complied with. All boilers used on steam vessels and constructed of iron or steel plates, inspected under the provisions of section forty-four hundred and thirty, shall be subjected to a hydrostatic test, in the ratio of one hundred and fifty pounds to the square inch to one hundred pounds to the square inch of the working steam power allowed. No boiler or flue pipe, nor any of the connections therewith, shall be approved, which is made, in whole or in part, of bad material, or is unsafe in its form, or dangerous from defective workmanship, age, use, or other cause."

Compliance with regulations, etc.

Hydrostatic tests.

SEC. 2. That section forty-four hundred and eighty of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and it is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Tiller ropes, rods, chains, and bell-pulls, etc.
R. S., sec. 4480, p. 867, amended.

"SEC. 4480. Every steamer carrying passengers shall be provided with such tiller ropes, tiller rods, or chains for the purpose of steering and navigating the vessel, and such bell-pulls for signalizing the engineer from the pilot house, and such tubes or other arrangement to repeat back the signal to the pilot house, as may be prescribed by the board of supervising inspectors, with the approval of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor."

SEC. 3. That section forty-four hundred and eighty-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and it is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Fire protection for river passenger steamboats.
R. S., sec. 4483, p. 867, amended.
Requirements.

"SEC. 4483. Every such steam vessel carrying passengers shall keep such fire buckets, axes, and water barrels as shall be prescribed by the regulations established by the board of supervising inspectors, with the approval of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor. The buckets and barrels shall be kept in convenient places and filled with water, to be in readiness in case of fire, and the axes shall be kept in good order and ready for immediate use. Tanks of suitable dimensions and arrangement, or buckets in sufficient number, may be substituted for barrels."

Boilers: and inspector's bonds.
R. S., secs. 4435, 4436, 4459, pp. 859, 863, repealed.
Effect.

SEC. 4. That sections forty-four hundred and thirty-five, forty-four hundred and thirty-six, and forty-four hundred and fifty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and they are hereby, repealed.

SEC. 5. That this Act shall take effect and be in force on and after the first day of July, nineteen hundred and five.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

March 3, 1905.
[H. R. 18202.]
[Public, No. 190.]

CHAP. 1457.—An Act To amend sections forty-four hundred and fifteen, forty-four hundred and sixteen, forty-four hundred and twenty-three, forty-four hundred and twenty-six, forty-four hundred and forty-nine, forty-four hundred and fifty-two, forty-four hundred and seventy, forty-four hundred and seventy-two, forty-four hundred and ninety-eight, and forty-two hundred and thirty-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States, relating to steamboat inspection.

Steamboat-Inspection Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-four hundred and fifteen of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and it is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Inspector of hulls. Qualifications of.
R. S., sec. 4415, p. 855, amended.

"SEC. 4415. The inspector of hulls shall be a person of good character and suitable qualifications and attainments to perform the services required of an inspector of hulls, who from his practical knowledge of