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CHAP. 155.—An Act To transfer jurisdiction of reservation numbered thirty-two, in the city of Washington, District of Columbia.

District of Columbia. Jurisdiction, etc., of reservation No. 32 transferred to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the jurisdiction and control of public reservation numbered thirty-two, bounded by Pennsylvania avenue, Fourteenth street, E street, and Thirteen-and-a-half street northwest, in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, is hereby transferred from the Chief of Engineers of the United States Army to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, in order to provide a suitable approach to the new District building to be located fronting said reservation.

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CHAP. 156.—An Act To provide for the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalks of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia. Removal of snow and ice from improved sidewalks, etc.

Tenant or occupant of premises to have snow removed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of every tenant or occupant of any lot or lots of ground within the fire limits of the District of Columbia improved by a house or building adjacent to any improved sidewalk, within the first four hours of daylight after the ceasing of any fall of snow, to cause said snow to be removed from the paved sidewalk adjacent to such lot or lots to the extent in length to which said lot or lots abut thereon and to the extent in breadth of not less than six feet, and if such improved sidewalk be not of such width, then to the extent of the width thereof; and in the event any snow that may have fallen shall, before its removal, become so hardened by freezing or otherwise that it can not be removed without great difficulty, or if at any time ice shall have formed on any such improved sidewalk by the freezing of rain, hail, melted snow, or in any other manner, it shall be the duty of such tenant or occupant, within the first four hours of daylight thereafter, to sprinkle, or cause such snow or ice, to the extent aforesaid, to be sprinkled with sand, sawdust, or other such substance. And for any violation of the provisions of this section such tenant or occupant shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of five dollars and costs or by imprisonment in the workhouse of the District of Columbia not exceeding five days, and by an additional fine of five dollars and costs or by additional imprisonment in the workhouse of the District of Columbia not exceeding five days for each additional twenty-four hours after the expiration of the time hereinbefore provided that such tenant or occupant shall suffer or permit such snow or ice to remain without being sprinkled or removed as hereinbefore provided.

Ice-covered walks to be sprinkled with sand, etc.

Penalty.

Commissioners to remove snow in front of public property, etc.

SEC. 2. That it shall be the duty of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, as soon as practicable after the ceasing of any fall of snow or after the accumulation of ice on the paved sidewalks of the District of Columbia in front of and adjacent to public buildings, public squares, and public reservations in the said District owned or leased by said District, to cause such snow or ice to be removed, and also to cause the same to be removed from all cross walks of improved streets and places of intersection of alleys with improved sidewalks; but in the event of inability to remove such accumulation of snow or ice by reason of the hardening thereof, it shall be their duty, as soon as practicable, to cause such paved sidewalks, cross walks, and places of intersection of alleys with improved sidewalks to be sprinkled with sand, sawdust, or other such material.

Ice or hardened snow on sidewalks, etc., to be sprinkled with sand, etc.