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CHAP. 226.—An Act For the establishment of a subport of entry at Ranier, Minnesota.

February 27, 1909.
[S. 9017.]

[Public, No. 286.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Ranier, Minnesota, be, and is hereby, established as a subport of entry in the customs collection district of Minnesota, and that the privileges of the first section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to amend the statutes in relation to immediate transportation of dutiable goods, and for other purposes," being chapter one hundred and ninety, volume twenty-one, of the Statutes at Large, be, and the same are hereby, extended to said subport.

Customs.
Ranier, Minn., made subport of entry.
R. S., sec. 2595, p. 513, amended.
Immediate transportation facilities granted.
Vol. 21, p. 173.

Approved, February 27, 1909.

CHAP. 227.—An Act To amend an Act approved July first, nineteen hundred and two, entitled "An Act temporarily to provide for the administration of the affairs of civil government in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes."

February 27, 1909.
[H. R. 25155.]

[Public, No. 287.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third paragraph of the seventh section of the Act entitled "An Act temporarily to provide for the administration of the affairs of civil government in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes," approved July first, nineteen hundred and two, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Philippine Islands.
Annual sessions of legislature.
Vol. 32, p. 694, amended.

"SEC. 7. The legislature shall hold annual sessions, commencing on the first Monday of February in each year and continuing not exceeding ninety days thereafter (Sundays and holidays not included) and the first meeting of the legislature shall be held upon the call of the governor within ninety days after the first election: *Provided*, That the Philippine Legislature after its first meeting as herein provided may by law fix a date other than the first Monday of February in each year for the commencement of its annual sessions: *And provided further*, That if at the termination of any session the appropriations necessary for the support of government shall not have been made, an amount equal to the sums appropriated in the last appropriation bills for such purposes shall be deemed to be appropriated; and until the legislature shall act in such behalf the treasurer may, with the advice of the governor, make the payments necessary for the purposes aforesaid."

Date, etc., of.

Provisos.
Legislature may determine date.

Provisions for governmental expenses.

Approved, February 27, 1909.

CHAP. 228.—An Act To provide for improving the navigable capacity of the Sabine and Neches rivers, and the canal connecting the Sabine and Neches rivers with the mouth of Taylors Bayou.

February 27, 1909.
[H. R. 27363.]

[Public, No. 288.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, to permit the counties of Jefferson and Orange, or any subdivisions thereof, in the State of Texas, or any citizen or citizens of said State, to improve the navigable capacity of the Sabine and Neches rivers, and the canal connecting the mouths of these rivers with the mouth of Taylors Bayou, by deepening and otherwise improving the same, such work to be done in accordance with such plans and specifications as may be approved by him on the recommendation of the Chief of Engineers: *Provided*, That the prosecution of the work shall be subject to the supervision, control, and regulation of the Secretary of War, and to such special conditions as he may impose for the protection of the interests of the United States: *Provided further*, That the entire cost of any work which may be done under authority hereby granted shall be borne by the party or parties to

Sabine and Neches rivers, Tex.
Improving navigation of, permitted.

Canal connecting Taylors Bayou with.

Plans, etc.

Provisos.
Supervision, etc.

Cost.