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CHAP. 263.—An Act Authorizing and directing the Director of the Census to collect and publish monthly statistics concerning hides, skins, and leather.

June 5, 1920.
[H. R. 10011.]
[Public, No. 274.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Director of the Census be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to collect and publish statistics monthly concerning—

Hides, skins, and leather.
Statistics of, to be collected and published monthly by Census Office.

(a) The quantities and classes of hides and skins, owned or stored, and the quantities and classes of such products disposed of during the preceding census month by packers, abattoirs, butchers, tanners, jobbers, dealers, wholesalers, importers, and exporters;

Information specified.

(b) The quantities and classes of hides and skins in the process of tanning or manufacture, the quantities and amount of finished product for the preceding month;

(c) The quantities and classes of leather owned or stored and manufactured during the preceding census month by tanners, jobbers, dealers, wholesalers, importers, exporters, and establishments cutting or consuming leather.

Information only for statistical purposes.

SEC. 2. That the information furnished by any individual establishment under the provisions of this Act shall be considered as strictly confidential and shall be used only for the statistical purposes for which it is supplied. Any employee of the Bureau of Census who, without the written authority of the Director of the Census, shall publish or communicate any information given into his possession by reason of his employment under the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

Punishment for unauthorized communicating, etc., by Census employee.

Persons, etc., required to furnish information on request.

SEC. 3. That it shall be the duty of every owner, president, or treasurer, secretary, director, or other officer or agent of any abattoir and of any packing, tanning, jobbing, dealing, wholesaling, importing, or exporting establishment where hides and skins are stored or sold, or leather is tanned, treated, finished, or stored or any establishment is engaged in the cutting of leather or in the production of boots and shoes, gloves, saddlery, harness, or other manufactures of leather goods, wherever leather is consumed, when requested by the Director of the Census or by any special agent or other employee of the Census Office acting under the instructions of said director to furnish completely and accurately to the best of his knowledge, all the information authorized to be collected by section 1 of this Act. The demand of the Director of the Census for such information shall be made in writing or by a visiting representative and if made in writing shall be forwarded by registered mail and the registry receipt of the Post Office Department shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of such demand. Any owner, president, treasurer, secretary, director, or other officer or agent of any establishment required to furnish information under the provisions of this Act, who under the conditions hereinbefore stated shall refuse or willfully neglect to furnish any of the information herein provided for or shall willfully give answers that are false, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than $1,000.

Making of demand.

Punishment for refusal to answer, etc.

Approved, June 5, 1920.

CHAP. 264.—An Act To authorize aids to navigation and for other works in the Lighthouse Service, and for other purposes.

June 5, 1920.
[H. R. 10183.]
[Public, No. 275.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Commerce is hereby authorized to establish, provide, or improve

Aids to Navigation.