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CHAP. 114.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of War to lease Governors Island, Massachusetts, to the city of Boston, Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

Governors Island, Mass.
Lease of, to Boston, for airport purposes, authorized.

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 to lease to the city of Boston, Massachusetts, for airport purposes, the lands of the United States in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts, known as Governors Island, including the underwater lands of the United States pertaining thereto, for use as a municipal airport, such lease to be for such term or terms and subject to such terms and conditions as, in the discretion of the Secretary of War, shall be advisable.

Underwater lands included.

Improvements by municipality.

SEC. 2. Any lease or leases executed pursuant to this Act may provide for the grading and filling by the city of Boston of Governors Island and the underwater lands pertaining thereto to such extent as in the opinion of the Secretary of War may be necessary in order to render such property suitable for airport purposes.

Federal boundaries to be readjusted.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of War may readjust and establish boundary lines between the property of the United States, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and/or others owning lands adjacent to or in the neighborhood of Governors Island to such extent as in the opinion of the Secretary of War may be in the interests of the United States; and in effecting such adjustment of boundaries the Secretary of War is authorized to execute conveyances on behalf of the United States and to accept conveyances to the United States of such tract or tracts as may be necessary. The terms of this Act shall apply to any lands acquired in effecting the adjustment herein authorized.

Conveyances.

Extent of terms.

Reversionary clause.

SEC. 4. Any lease or leases executed by the Secretary of War under the authority of this Act shall reserve to the United States the right to utilize the present area of Governors Island, or the areas included within the boundary lines established as herein provided, for military purposes in case of need, and, in his discretion, to resume exclusive possession of the entire area of the lands of the United States or any part thereof for military purposes without cost or expense to the United States.

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CHAP. 117.—An Act To provide for the advance planning and regulated construction of public works, for the stabilization of industry, and for aiding in the prevention of unemployment during periods of business depression.

Employment Stabilization Act of 1931.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Employment Stabilization Act of 1931."

Definitions.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 2. When used in this Act—

"Board."

(a) The term "board" means the Federal Employment Stabilization Board established by section 3 of this Act;

"United States."

(b) The term "United States," when used in a geographical sense, includes the several States and Territories and the District of Columbia;

"Public works emergency appropriation."

(c) The term "public works emergency appropriation" means an appropriation made in pursuance of supplemental estimates transmitted to the Congress under the provisions of this Act.

"Construction agencies."

Other designations.

(d) The term "construction agencies" shall mean the following departments, bureaus, and independent agencies and such others as the President may designate from time to time: