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[CHAPTER 214.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

April 13, 1936.
[H. J. Res. 526.]
[Pub. Res., No. 81.]

To authorize the Librarian of Congress to accept the property devised and bequeathed to the United States of America by the last will and testament of Joseph Pennell, deceased.

Joseph Pennell (deceased).
Acceptance of bequest of, for Library of Congress, authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Librarian of Congress, with the advice and consent of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board and the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library, is hereby authorized to accept, on behalf of the United States, the property devised and bequeathed to the United States by the last will and testament of Joseph Pennell, deceased (which will was admitted to probate by the register for the probate of wills and granting of letters of administration in and for the city and county of Philadelphia, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on the 24th day of June 1926), upon the terms and conditions set forth in the said will, if, in their judgment, such acceptance would be to the best interests of the Library.

Administrative authority of Librarian.

SEC. 2. Should the property be accepted pursuant to the authority hereinbefore granted, the Librarian of Congress is hereby authorized and directed to do all acts necessary in connection therewith: *Provided*, *however*, That the Librarian of Congress shall transfer the assets of the "Pennell Fund" (as designated in the said will), to the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board for administration by the said Board.

Proviso.
Transfer of assets.

Approved, April 13, 1936.

[CHAPTER 215.]

AN ACT

April 14, 1936.
[S. 4232.]
[Public, No. 519.]

To create a commission and to extend further relief to water users on United States reclamation projects and on Indian irrigation projects.

Reclamation projects.
Commission created to investigate financial, etc., conditions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby created a commission to be composed of three members, all of whom shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, two from the personnel of the Department of the Interior, and one who shall be a landowner and water user under a United States reclamation project. The commission is authorized and directed to investigate the financial and economic condition of the various United States reclamation projects, with particular reference to the ability of each such project to make payments of water-right charges without undue burden on the water users, district, association, or other reclamation organization liable for such charges. Such investigation shall include an examination and consideration of any statement filed with the commission, or the Department of the Interior, by any such district, association, or other reclamation organization, or the water users thereof, and, where requested by any such district, association, or other reclamation organization, said commission shall proceed to such project and hold hearings, the proceedings of which shall be reduced to writing and filed with its report. Said commission, after having made careful investigation and study of the financial and economic condition of the various United States reclamation projects and their probable present and future ability to meet such water-right charges, shall report to the Congress, at the beginning of the Seventy-fifth Congress, with its recommendations as to the best, most feasible, and practicable comprehensive permanent plan for such water-right payments, with due consideration for the development and carrying on of the reclamation program of

Ability to pay water-right charges.

Scope, etc., of investigation.

Report and recommendations to Congress.