

[CHAPTER 304]

AN ACT

To authorize the withdrawal and reservation of small tracts of the public domain in Alaska for schools, hospitals, and other purposes.

May 31, 1938
[H. R. 9358]
[Public, No. 569]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, to withdraw and permanently reserve small tracts of not to exceed six hundred and forty acres each of the public domain in Alaska for schools, hospitals, and such other purposes as may be necessary in administering the affairs of the Indians, Eskimos, and Aleuts of Alaska: *Provided*, That such withdrawals shall be subject to any valid existing rights.

Alaska.
Withdrawal of lands
for schools, hospitals,
etc., authorized.

Proviso.
Valid existing
rights.

Approved, May 31, 1938.

[CHAPTER 305]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To protect the copyrights and patents of foreign exhibitors at the Pacific Mercado International Exposition, to be held at Los Angeles, California, in 1940.

May 31, 1938
[H. J. Res. 447]
[Pub. Res., No. 100]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Librarian of Congress and the Commissioner of Patents are hereby authorized and directed to establish branch offices under the direction of the Register of Copyrights and the Commissioner of Patents, respectively, in suitable quarters on the grounds of the Pacific Mercado International Exposition, to be held at Los Angeles, California, under the direction of the Pacific Exposition Corporation, a California corporation, said quarters to be furnished free of charge by said corporation, said offices to be established at such time as may, upon sixty days' advance notice, in writing, to the Register of Copyrights and the Commissioner of Patents, respectively, be requested by said Pacific Exposition Corporation, but not earlier than January 1, 1940, and to be maintained until the close of the general public of said exposition; and the proprietor of any foreign copyright, or any certificate of trade-mark registration, or letters patent of invention, design, or utility model issued by any foreign government protecting any trade-mark, apparatus, device, machine, process, method, composition of matter, design, or manufactured article imported for exhibition and exhibited at said exposition may upon presentation of proof of such proprietorship, satisfactory to the Register of Copyrights or the Commissioner of Patents, as the case may be, obtain without charge and without prior examination as to novelty, a certificate from such branch office, which shall be prima facie evidence in the Federal courts of such proprietorship, the novelty of the subject matter covered by any such certificate to be determined by a Federal court in case an action or suit is brought based thereon; and said branch offices shall keep registers of all such certificates issued by them, which shall be open to public inspection.

Pacific Mercado International Exposition, Los Angeles, Calif.
Protection of copyrights and patents of foreign exhibitors.
Branch copyright, etc., offices on grounds.

Certificates of proprietorship.

Registers to be kept.

Deposit at close of Exposition.

Certified copies of certificates.

At the close of said Pacific Mercado International Exposition the register of certificates of the copyright registrations aforesaid shall be deposited in the Copyright Office in the Library of Congress at Washington, District of Columbia, and the register of all other certificates of registration aforesaid shall be deposited in the United States Patent Office at Washington, District of Columbia, and there preserved for future reference. Certified copies of any such certificates shall, upon request, be furnished by the Register of Copyrights or the Commissioner of Patents, as the case may be, either during