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patents issued according to law: *Provided*, That this Act shall amount to a relinquishment of any title the United States has or is supposed to have in and to any of the said lands and shall not be construed to abridge, impair, injure, prejudice, or divest in any manner any valid right, title, or interest of any person or body corporate whatever, the true intent of this Act being to concede and abandon all right, title, and interest of the United States to the lands described herein to those persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the equitable owners of said lands under the laws of the State of Alabama in the absence of the said interest, title, and estate of the United States.

Approved, June 16, 1938.

[CHAPTER 515]

AN ACT

June 16, 1938
 [H. R. 8134]
 [Public, No. 669]

To quiet title and possession to certain lands in the Tennessee River in the counties of Colbert and Lauderdale, Alabama.

Colbert and Lauderdale
 Counties, Ala.
 Release of U. S. title
 to designated tracts to
 owners of equitable
 titles.

Description.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States, except such right, title, and interest as has been acquired by the United States through purchase or condemnation, in and to all of the following-described property, to wit:

A tract of land lying in Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, in the Tennessee River, in township 3 south, range 11 west, said tract being an island and more particularly described as follows:

An island named "Garner Towhead", lying in the Tennessee River, the upstream tip of which is approximately nine hundred and seventy feet south of and approximately two thousand seven hundred feet east of the northwest corner of section 31. Said island has an approximate maximum length of three thousand and forty feet and an approximate maximum width of four hundred and thirty feet.

The above-described island contains twenty-three and four-tenths acres, more or less; and

A tract of land lying in Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, in the Tennessee River, in township 3 south, range 11 west, said tract being an island and more particularly described as follows:

An unnamed island lying in the Tennessee River, the downstream tip of which is approximately one thousand five hundred and seventy feet south of and approximately two thousand six hundred and sixty feet east of the northwest corner of section 31. Said island has an approximate maximum length of one thousand two hundred and twenty feet and an approximate maximum width of two hundred and ninety feet.

The above-described island contains five and two-tenths acres, more or less; and

A tract of land lying in Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, in the Tennessee River, in townships 3 and 4 south, range 12 west, said tract being an island and more particularly described as follows:

An unnamed island lying in the Tennessee River, the downstream tip of which is approximately five thousand three hundred and forty feet south of and approximately two thousand two hundred and twenty feet east of the northwest corner of section 36. Said island has an approximate maximum length of five hundred and fifty feet and an approximate maximum width of ninety feet.

The above-described island contains eight-tenths acre, more or less; and

A tract of land lying in Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, in the Tennessee River, in township 3 south, range 11 west, said tract being an island and more particularly described as follows:

An unnamed island lying in the Tennessee River, the upstream tip of which is approximately two thousand seven hundred feet south of and approximately four hundred and thirty feet east of the northwest corner of section 31. Said island has an approximate maximum length of four hundred and forty feet and an approximate maximum width of three hundred and fifty feet.

The above-described island contains one and seven-tenths acres, more or less; and

A tract of land lying in Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, in the Tennessee River, in township 4 south, range 12 west, said tract being an island and more particularly described as follows:

An island known as "Pippin Towhead" lying in the Tennessee River, the downstream tip of which is approximately nine hundred and twenty feet south of and approximately two thousand six hundred feet east of the northwest corner of section 2. Said island has an approximate maximum length of three thousand six hundred and twenty feet and an approximate maximum width of six hundred and fifty feet.

The above-described island contains thirty-nine and five-tenths acres, more or less; and

A tract of land lying in Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, in the Tennessee River, in townships 3 and 4 south, range 12 west, said tract being an island and more particularly described as follows:

An island known as "No Man Towhead" lying in the Tennessee River, the upstream tip of which is approximately four thousand seven hundred feet south of and approximately two thousand seven hundred feet east of the northwest corner of section 36. Said island has an approximate maximum length of two thousand feet and approximate maximum width of three hundred feet.

The above-described island contains eleven and two-tenths acres, more or less; and

A tract of land lying in Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, in the Tennessee River, in township 3 south, ranges 11 and 12 west; said tract being an island and more particularly described as follows:

An island known as "Goat Towhead" lying in the Tennessee River; the downstream tip of which is approximately four thousand five hundred and twenty feet south of and approximately two thousand four hundred and forty feet east of the northwest corner of section 36. Said island has an approximate maximum length of three thousand six hundred and seventy feet and an approximate maximum width of seven hundred and forty feet.

The above-described island contains forty-five and three-tenths acres, more or less.

be, and the same is hereby, released, relinquished, and confirmed by the United States to the owners of the equitable titles thereto, as fully and completely in every respect whatever as could be done by patents issued according to law: *Provided*, That this Act shall amount to a relinquishment of any title the United States has or is supposed to have in and to any of the said lands and shall not be construed to abridge, impair, injure, prejudice, or divest in any manner any valid right, title, or interest of any person or body corporate whatever, the true intent of this Act being to concede and abandon all right, title, and interest of the United States to the

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lands described herein to those persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the equitable owners of said lands under the laws of the State of Alabama in the absence of the said interest, title, and estate of the United States.

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[CHAPTER 516]

AN ACT

June 16, 1938
[H. R. 8262]
[Public, No. 670]

To quiet title and possession to a certain island in the Tennessee River in the County of Lauderdale, Alabama.

Lauderdale County,
Ala.
Release of U. S. title
to Jenkins Island to
owner of equitable
title.
Description.

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States only, relin-
quished.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States, except such right, title, and interest as has been acquired by the United States through purchase or condemnation, in and to the following-described property, to wit: An island known as the Jenkins Island, lying in the Tennessee River in section 19, township 2, range 13 west, in Lauderdale County, Alabama, be and the same is hereby, released, relinquished, and confirmed by the United States to the owner of the equitable title thereto as fully and completely in every respect whatever as could be done by patents issued according to law: *Provided,* That this Act shall amount to a relinquishment of any title the United States has or is supposed to have in and to said land and shall not be construed to abridge, impair, injure, prejudice, or divest in any manner any valid right, title, or interest of any person or body corporate whatever, the true intent of this Act being to concede and abandon all right, title, and interest of the United States to the land described herein to those persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the equitable owners of said land under the laws of the State of Alabama in the absence of the said interest, title, and estate of the United States.

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[CHAPTER 517]

AN ACT

June 16, 1938
[H. R. 8673]
[Public, No. 671]

For the relief of certain persons at certain projects of the Farm Security Administration, United States Department of Agriculture.

Farm Security Ad-
ministration, Depart-
ment of Agriculture.
Relief of certain per-
sons at designated
projects.

Proviso.
Deductions.

49 Stat. 2036.
40 U. S. C., Supp.
III, §433.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in the case of any person who was employed prior to June 30, 1935, at one of the following projects of the Farm Security Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture, formerly under the jurisdiction of the Division of Subsistence Homesteads of the United States Department of the Interior: Cumberland Homesteads, Crossville, Tennessee; Tygart Valley Homesteads, Elkins, West Virginia; Westmoreland Homesteads, Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and from whose wages there have been withheld any sums in pursuance of the operation of a so-called credit hour system at such projects, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay to such person, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, upon the certification of the Secretary of Agriculture, a sum equal to the amounts so withheld: *Provided, however,* That there shall be deducted from such payments (for disposition as receipts derived from the operation of projects, as authorized by section 3 of the Act of June 29, 1936 (49 Stat. 2035), the amounts, as certified by the Secretary of Agriculture, of any current indebtedness to the United States in connection with such projects, and of any past indebtedness for which credit has been allowed to such person in the form of rent for occupancy or payments toward the purchase price of any homestead at