

## [CHAPTER 11]

## AN ACT

January 27, 1938  
[S. 2940]  
[Public, No. 422]

To make confidential certain information furnished to the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, and for other purposes.

Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.  
Statistical information furnished to, in confidence; use restricted.  
Examination by Bureau personnel only.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any statistical information furnished in confidence to the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce by individuals, corporations, and firms shall be held to be confidential, and shall be used only for the statistical purposes for which it is supplied. The Director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce shall not permit anyone other than the sworn employees of the Bureau to examine such individual reports, nor shall he permit any statistics of domestic commerce to be published in such manner as to reveal the identity of the individual, corporation, or firm furnishing such data.

Penalty provision.

SEC. 2. Any employee of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisoned not exceeding one year, or both.

Approved, January 27, 1938.

## [CHAPTER 12]

## AN ACT

January 29, 1938  
[S. 2463]  
[Public, No. 423]

To authorize an additional number of medical and dental officers for the Army.

Army.  
Medical and dental officers, additional number.  
39 Stat. 171.  
10 U. S. C. § 91.  
Post, p. 217.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 10 of the Act entitled "An Act for making further and more effectual provisions for the national defense, and for other purposes", approved June 3, 1916, be amended by providing that on and after July 1, 1937, there shall be officers as now authorized by law, except that there shall be four assistants to the Surgeon General with the rank of brigadier general, one of whom shall be an officer in the Dental Corps, and one thousand one hundred and eighty-three officers of the Medical Corps and two hundred and fifty-eight officers of the Dental Corps, and the authorized commissioned strength of the Army is hereby increased by one hundred and fifty in order to provide for the increases herein authorized in the Medical and Dental Corps.

Increase in authorized Army commissioned strength.

Retirement, credits for service as contract dental surgeons, etc.  
45 Stat. 996.  
10 U. S. C. § 953a.

SEC. 2. That the Act entitled "An Act to authorize officers of the Medical Corps to count certain service in computing their rights in retirement, and for other purposes", approved May 29, 1928, be amended by adding at the end thereof "service as Contract Dental Surgeons and Acting Dental Surgeons shall be credited to the officers of the Dental Corps for the purpose of retirement."

Approved, January 29, 1938.

## [CHAPTER 13]

## AN ACT

February 3, 1938  
[H. R. 8730]  
[Public, No. 424]

To amend the National Housing Act, and for other purposes.

National Housing Act Amendments of 1938.  
48 Stat. 1246.  
12 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 1703.

*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 "National Housing Act Amendments of 1938".

SEC. 2. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 2 of the National Housing Act, as amended, are amended to read as follows: