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[CHAPTER 555]

AN ACT

June 21, 1938
[S. 4070]
[Public, No. 687]

To authorize the attendance of the Marine Band at the United Confederate Veterans' 1938 Reunion at Columbia, South Carolina, from August 30 to September 2, 1938, both dates inclusive.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized to permit the band of the United States Marine Corps to attend and give concerts at the United Confederate Veterans' Reunion to be held at Columbia, South Carolina, from August 30 to September 2, 1938, both dates inclusive.

United Confederate Veterans' Reunion, Columbia, S. C.
Attendance of Marine Band authorized.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of defraying the expenses of such band in attending and giving concerts at such reunion there is authorized to be appropriated the sum of $4,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of this Act: *Provided*, That in addition to transportation and Pullman accommodations the leaders and members of the Marine Band be allowed not to exceed $5 per day each for actual living expenses while on this duty, and that the payment of such expenses shall be in addition to the pay and allowances to which they would be entitled while serving at their permanent station.

Appropriation authorized.
Post, p. 1142.

Proviso.
Allowances.

Approved, June 21, 1938.

[CHAPTER 556]

AN ACT

June 21, 1938
[H. R. 6586]
[Public, No. 688]

To regulate the transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Natural Gas Act.

NECESSITY FOR REGULATION OF NATURAL-GAS COMPANIES

Necessity for regulation of natural-gas companies.
Declaration of policy.

SECTION 1. (a) As disclosed in reports of the Federal Trade Commission made pursuant to S. Res. 83 (Seventieth Congress, first session) and other reports made pursuant to the authority of Congress, it is hereby declared that the business of transporting and selling natural gas for ultimate distribution to the public is affected with a public interest, and that Federal regulation in matters relating to the transportation of natural gas and the sale thereof in interstate and foreign commerce is necessary in the public interest.

Application of provisions.

(b) The provisions of this Act shall apply to the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce, to the sale in interstate commerce of natural gas for resale for ultimate public consumption for domestic, commercial, industrial, or any other use, and to natural-gas companies engaged in such transportation or sale, but shall not apply to any other transportation or sale of natural gas or to the local distribution of natural gas or to the facilities used for such distribution or to the production or gathering of natural gas.

Exemptions.

Definitions.

SEC. 2. When used in this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

"Person."

(1) "Person" includes an individual or a corporation.

"Corporation."

(2) "Corporation" includes any corporation, joint-stock company, partnership, association, business trust, organized group of persons, whether incorporated or not, receiver or receivers, trustee or trustees of any of the foregoing, but shall not include municipalities as hereinafter defined.