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[CHAPTER 269]

AN ACT

To provide for a Deputy Chief of Staff, and for other purposes.

July 14, 1939
[S. 2222]
[Public, No. 172]

National Defense Act, amendments.
39 Stat. 167; 52 Stat. 610.
10 U.S.C. § 23; Supp. IV, § 23.
General Staff Corps, Army.
Deputy Chief of Staff provided, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first paragraph of section 5 of the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916 (39 Stat. 166), as amended by the Act of June 3, 1938 (52 Stat. 610), be, and the same is hereby, amended by inserting in line 4 of said paragraph, after the words "Chief of Staff", a comma followed by the words "the Deputy Chief of Staff" and a comma; by striking out the word "four" appearing in line 4 of said paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five"; and by striking out the word "eighty-eight" in line 6 of said paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and two".

Approved, July 14, 1939.

[CHAPTER 270]

AN ACT

To amend the Taylor Grazing Act.

July 14, 1939
[S. 2237]
[Public, No. 173]

Taylor Grazing Act, amendments.
48 Stat. 1269.
43 U. S. C. §§ 315–315n; Supp. IV, §§ 315–315o.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to stop injury to the public grazing lands by preventing overgrazing and soil deterioration, to provide for their orderly use, improvement, and development, to stabilize the livestock industry dependent upon the public range, and for other purposes", approved June 28, 1934, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

Advisory board of local stockmen, establishment in each grazing district.

"SEC. 18. (a) In order that the Secretary of the Interior may have the benefit of the fullest information and advice concerning physical, economic, and other local conditions in the several grazing districts, there shall be an advisory board of local stockmen in each such district, the members of which shall be known as grazing district advisers. Each such board shall consist of not less than five nor more than twelve members, exclusive of wildlife representatives, one such representative to be appointed by the Secretary, in his discretion, to membership on each such board. Except for such wildlife representatives, the names of the members of each district advisory board shall be recommended to the Secretary by the users of the range in that district through an election conducted under rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary. No grazing district adviser so recommended, however, shall assume office until he has been appointed by the Secretary and has taken an oath of office. The Secretary may, after due notice, remove any grazing district adviser from office if in his opinion such removal would be for the good of the service.

Composition of board; appointment of wildlife representatives.

Recommendations for appointment.

Qualifying provisions of district advisers.

Removals.

Board meetings, functions, duties, etc.

"(b) Each district advisory board shall meet at least once annually at a time to be fixed by the Director of Grazing, or by such other officer to whom the Secretary may delegate the function of issuing grazing permits, and at such other times as its members may be called by such officer. Each board shall offer advice and make a recommendation on each application for such a grazing permit within its district: *Provided*, That in no case shall any grazing district adviser participate in any advice or recommendation concerning a permit, or an application therefor, in which he is directly or indirectly interested. Each board shall further offer advice or make recommendations concerning rules and regulations for the administration of this Act, the establishment of grazing districts and the modification of

Proviso.
Participation in recommendation concerning permit in which member interested.

Recommendations concerning rules and regulations.