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the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such corporation.

SEC. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, July 8, 1941.

[CHAPTER 278]

AN ACT

To amend section 353 (b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

July 8, 1941
[H. R. 2074]
[Public Law 155]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 353 (b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. V, title 47, sec. 353 (b)), is hereby amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof a comma and the following: "but during the emergency proclaimed by the President on September 8, 1939, to exist, but not after June 30, 1943, the aforesaid requirement of six months' previous service may be suspended or modified by regulation or order of the Commission for successive periods of not more than six months' duration".

Communications Act of 1934, amendment.
Radio operators on cargo ships.
50 Stat. 193.
47 U. S. C. § 353 (b).
Experience requirements.

Approved, July 8, 1941.

[CHAPTER 279]

AN ACT

Relating to the manning of certain vessels of five hundred gross tons and less.

July 8, 1941
[H. R. 4224]
[Public Law 156]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any provision of section 13 of the Act of March 4, 1915, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. V, title 46, sec. 672), every person may be rated as an able seaman for the purpose of serving on vessels of not more than five hundred gross tons, on bays and sounds, when such vessels are not carrying passengers, who is nineteen years of age and upward and who has had at least twelve months of service on deck at sea or on the Great Lakes or on the bays and sounds connected directly with the seas.

Merchant seamen on certain vessels.
38 Stat. 1169.
46 U. S. C. § 672.
Post, p. 730.
Rating as able seamen.

Approved, July 8, 1941.

[CHAPTER 280]

AN ACT

Relating to the manning of certain sail vessels.

July 8, 1941
[H. R. 4225]
[Public Law 157]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of section 13 of the Act of March 4, 1915, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. V, title 46, sec. 672), relating to the manning of certain vessels, shall not apply to any sail vessel of less than five hundred tons registered tonnage, while not carrying passengers for hire, and while not operating outside the line dividing inland waters from the high seas, as defined in section 2 of the Act of February 19, 1895, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, title 33, sec. 151).

Able seamen on sailing vessels.
38 Stat. 1169.
46 U. S. C. § 672.
Post, p. 730.
28 Stat. 672.
33 U. S. C. § 151.

Approved, July 8, 1941.