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withstanding the provisions of section 27 of the Act of Congress approved June 5, 1920 (41 Stat. 999), as amended by Act of Congress approved April 11, 1935 (49 Stat. 154), and by Act of Congress approved July 2, 1935 (49 Stat. 442), or the provisions of any other Act of Congress or regulation, vessels of Canadian registry shall be permitted to transport iron ore between United States ports on the Great Lakes during the 1942 season of navigation on the Great Lakes.

46 U. S. C. § 883; Supp. I, § 883 note.

Approved, January 27, 1942.

[CHAPTER 22]

JOINT RESOLUTION

January 27, 1942
[S. J. Res. 96]
[Public Law 417]

To enable the United States to become an adhering member of the Inter American Statistical Institute.

Inter American Statistical Institute.

Whereas the Inter American Statistical Institute was organized at Washington in May 1940, for the purpose of the advancement of statistical science and administration in the nations of the Western Hemisphere and to further the practical use of statistics in the solution of social and economic problems which are common to these nations; and

Whereas the success and effectiveness of the Institute is dependent very largely upon the degree of moral and financial support accorded by the governments of the American nations; and

Whereas the Government of the United States desires to participate in the work of the Institute and to receive its services and reports: Therefore be it

Annual appropriation authorized.
Post, p. 719.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to enable the United States to become an adhering member of the Inter American Statistical Institute, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated annually, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be required for expenditure under the direction of the Secretary of State, for the payment of the share of the United States toward the support of the Institute: *Provided*, That the share of the United States each year after the second year shall not exceed 50 per centum of the total contribution made for the same purposes by all adhering member governments during the year preceding the one for which payment is made: *Provided further*, That the total cost to the United States shall not exceed $35,000 in any one year.

Provisos.
U. S. share of total contribution.

Maximum.

Approved, January 27, 1942.

[CHAPTER 23]

AN ACT

January 27, 1942
[H. R. 3193]
[Public Law 418]

Validating certain conveyances heretofore made by Central Pacific Railway Company, a corporation, and its lessee, Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, involving certain portions of right-of-way, in the city of Tracy, in the county of San Joaquin, State of California, and in the town of Elk Grove, in the county of Sacramento, State of California, acquired by Central Pacific Railway Company under the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1862 (12 Stat. L. 489), as amended by the Act of Congress approved July 2, 1864 (13 Stat. L. 356).

Central Pacific Railway Company and lessee.
Validation of certain conveyances.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the conveyances hereinafter particularly described and heretofore executed by Central Pacific Railway Company, a corporation, and its lessee, Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, involving certain lands or interests therein, in the city of Tracy, in the county of San Joaquin, State of California, and in the town of Elk Grove, in the county