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and now indictable under any existing statutes, shall be suspended until June 30, 1945, or until such earlier time as the Congress by concurrent resolution, or the President, may designate. This Act shall apply to acts, offenses, or transactions where the existing statute of limitations has not yet fully run, but it shall not apply to acts, offenses, or transactions which are already barred by the provisions of existing laws.

Effective date.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall be in force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

Approved, August 24, 1942.

[CHAPTER 556]

JOINT RESOLUTION

September 3, 1942
[S. J. Res. 160]
[Public Law 707]

Providing for the acceptance of title to the Widener art collection of Philadelphia, and for other purposes.

Widener art collection.
Acceptance of title.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the faith of the United States is pledged that, upon acceptance for the Smithsonian Institution by the Trustees of the National Gallery of Art, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 51; U. S. C., title 20, secs. 71–75), of a collection of works of art as a gift effected by Joseph E. Widener, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, pursuant to the terms of the will of the late P. A. B. Widener, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the United States will provide the National Gallery of Art with such funds as may be necessary for the payment of any taxes which may be levied as a result of the gift.

Payment of taxes.

Appropriation authorized.

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amount as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved, September 3, 1942.

[CHAPTER 557]

AN ACT

September 3, 1942
[H. R. 6876]
[Public Law 708]

To authorize the incorporated town of Petersburg, Alaska, to undertake certain municipal public works, including the construction of a dam and improvements to the hydroelectric plant and system, improvements to the water system, and construction and equipment of a municipal hospital, and for such purposes to issue bonds in any sum not exceeding a total of $125,000.

Petersburg, Alaska.
Construction of municipal public works.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the incorporated town of Petersburg, Territory of Alaska, is hereby authorized and empowered to undertake and construct the municipal works, improvements, and buildings hereinafter specified, to wit: Construction of a dam and improvements to the hydroelectric plant and system at a cost not exceeding $50,000; improvements to the water system at a cost not exceeding $35,000; construction and equipment of a municipal hospital at a cost not exceeding $40,000; and for such purposes to issue bonds in any amount not exceeding the aggregate of $125,000, the same to be in excess of the present statutory debt limit of the town of Petersburg, as provided by the Act entitled "An Act to authorize municipal corporations in the Territory of Alaska to incur bonded indebtedness, and for other purposes", approved May 28, 1936 (49 Stat. 1388): *Provided*, That nothing herein shall be construed as to prevent or preclude the said town from incurring other indebtedness up to but not beyond the limits prescribed by the aforesaid Act of May 28, 1936, without regard to the bonded indebtedness herein authorized.

Issuance of bonds.

48 U. S. C. §§ 44a-44c.

Proviso.
Other indebtedness.