

## PUBLIC LAWS

ENACTED DURING THE

SECOND SESSION OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, January 10, 1944, and adjourned  
sine die on Tuesday, December 19, 1944*

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President; HENRY A. WALLACE, Vice President; CARTER GLASS, President of the Senate *pro tempore*; SAM RAYBURN, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### [CHAPTER 1]

#### AN ACT

To permit the construction, maintenance, and use of certain pipe lines for steam-heating purposes in the District of Columbia.

January 18, 1944  
[H. R. 3691]  
[Public Law 220]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to grant permission to the Mayflower Hotel Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and doing business in the District of Columbia, its successors and assigns, and the owner of lot 88, square 162, on the south side of De Sales Street Northwest, between Connecticut Avenue and Seventeenth Street, and lot 12, square 162, on the north side of De Sales Street Northwest, between Connecticut Avenue and Seventeenth Street, to lay down, construct, maintain, and use a pipe line for the carriage of steam heat, together with a necessary return pipe line, from a point within said lot 88, square 162, across De Sales Street Northwest, to a point within said lot 12, square 162.

Mayflower Hotel  
Corporation, D. C.  
Pipe lines for steam-  
heating purposes.

SEC. 2. The construction and use of such pipe lines shall be under such regulations and rentals as the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may prescribe and all plans and specifications for such

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Location and re-  
pairs.

construction shall be subject to their approval. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall have the authority to designate the location and to cause such repairs or relocation of such pipe lines as the public necessity may require, any such repairs or relocation to be at the expense of the Mayflower Hotel Corporation, its successors or assigns. Any repairs to streets, highways, or other public property necessitated by the construction or alteration of such pipe lines shall be made in a manner approved by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, at the expense of Mayflower Hotel Corporation, its successors or assigns.

Property rights.

SEC. 3. No permission granted or enjoyed under the provisions of this Act shall vest any right, title, or interest in or to any land within De Sales Street Northwest.

SEC. 4. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

Approved January 18, 1944.

# [CHAPTER 2]

## AN ACT

To amend the Nationality Act of 1940.

January 20, 1944  
[H. R. 2207]  
[Public Law 221]

Nationality Act of  
1940, amendments.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 401 (g) of the Nationality Act of 1940, approved October 14, 1940 (54 Stat. 1169; U. S. C. 8, 801g), be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Deserting U. S.  
forces in time of war.

"(g) Deserting the military or naval forces of the United States in time of war, provided he is convicted thereof by court martial and as the result of such conviction is dismissed or dishonorably discharged from the service of such military or naval forces: *Provided*, That notwithstanding loss of nationality or citizenship or civil or political rights under the terms of this or previous Acts by reason of desertion committed in time of war, restoration to active duty with such military or naval forces in time of war or the reenlistment or induction of such a person in time of war with permission of competent military or naval authority, prior or subsequent to the effective date of this Act, shall be deemed to have the immediate effect of restoring such nationality or citizenship and all civil and political rights heretofore or hereafter so lost and of removing all civil and political disabilities resulting therefrom; or".

Restoration of na-  
tionality, etc.

Navy.  
Enlistment of de-  
serters in time of war.

SEC. 2. Section 1420 Revised Statutes (21 Stat. 3, 34 U. S. C. 163) as amended, is hereby amended as follows: Strike out the period at the end of the section, and insert the following: "except that in time of war such deserters may be enlisted in the naval service, upon permission of competent naval authority thereunto authorized by the Secretary of the Navy."

8 U. S. C. § 739.

SEC. 3. Section 339 of the Nationality Act of 1940, approved October 14, 1940 (54 Stat. 1160), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Certificate of citi-  
zenship.

"SEC. 339. A person who claims to have derived United States citizenship through the naturalization of a parent or through the naturalization or citizenship of a husband, or who is a citizen of the United States by virtue of the provisions of section 1993 of the United States Revised Statutes, or of section 1993 of the United States Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of the Act of May 24, 1934 (48 Stat. 797), or who is a citizen of the United States by virtue of the provisions of section 201 (c), (d), (e), and (g) of the Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1138; U. S. C., title 8, sec. 601), may apply to the Com-

54 Stat. 1172.  
8 U. S. C. § 6.