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individual confidential records previously obtained under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended. Any person charged with the duty of carrying out any of the provisions of this Act, and who fails to carry out such provisions or who shall knowingly violate the regulations promulgated under this section, or any person or persons who shall unlawfully obtain, gain access to, or use such records, shall, upon conviction in the district court of the United States having jurisdiction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than five years, or a fine of not more than $10,000, or by both such fine and imprisonment, or if subject to military or naval law, may be tried by court martial, and, on conviction, shall suffer such punishment as the court martial may direct.

54 Stat. 885.
50 U. S. C. app. §§ 301-318.
Violation of regulations.

Penalty.

SEC. 8. Except as provided in this Act, all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby suspended to the extent of such conflict for the period in which this Act shall be in force.

Suspension of conflicting laws.

SEC. 9. Except as otherwise provided by the terms of this Act, the provisions hereof shall take effect at 12 o'clock postmeridian, March 31, 1947.

Effective date.

Approved March 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 27]

JOINT RESOLUTION

March 31, 1947
[H. J. Res. 76]
[Public Law 27]

Authorizing the Commandant of the United States Coast Guard to waive compliance with the navigation and vessel-inspection laws administered by the Coast Guard.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That effective April 1, 1947, the Commandant, United States Coast Guard, is authorized to waive compliance with the navigation and vessel-inspection laws administered by the Coast Guard to the extent and in such manner and upon such terms as may be deemed necessary by him in the orderly reconversion of the merchant marine from wartime to peacetime operations.

U. S. Coast Guard.
Waiver of compliance with designated laws.

SEC. 2. The authority granted by this resolution shall remain in force only until April 1, 1948: *Provided*, That after June 1, 1947, the Commandant shall not waive compliance with those sections of the navigation and vessel-inspection laws requiring the employment of American citizens as officers and crew members and limiting the employment of aliens except insofar as such employment shall be in the steward's department of vessels authorized to carry in excess of twelve passengers.

Time limitations.
Post, p. 685.

Approved March 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 28]

AN ACT

March 31, 1947
[H. R. 1240]
[Public Law 28]

To provide for the suspension of navigation and vessel inspection laws, as applied to vessels operated by the War Department, upon the termination of title V, Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the termination of title V of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, as last amended by the Act of June 29, 1946 (Public Law 475, Seventy-ninth Congress), and upon request of the Secretary of War to the head of each department or agency responsible for the administration of navigation and vessel inspection laws, the operation of all such laws of which suspension is so requested shall be suspended in relation to

56 Stat. 180; 60 Stat. 345.
50 U. S. C. app. §§ 635, 645.
Post, pp. 34, 214, 322.