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[CHAPTER 332]

AN ACT

To confer upon the Governor of Alaska the power to pardon and remit fines and forfeitures for offenses against laws of the Territory of Alaska.

July 25, 1947
[H. R. 175]
[Public Law 244]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act of June 6, 1900 (31 Stat. 321; 48 U. S. C. 61), be amended by striking out the sentence, "He may also grant reprieves for offenses committed against the laws of the district or of the United States until the decision of the President thereon shall be made known.", and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "He may grant pardons and reprieves and remit fines and forfeitures for offenses against the laws of the said Territory and reprieves for all offenses against the laws of the United States until the decision of the President thereon shall be made known.".

Alaska.
Power of Governor to grant pardons, etc.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect upon the date of its enactment.

Effective date.

Approved July 25, 1947.

[CHAPTER 333]

AN ACT

To amend the Natural Gas Act approved June 21, 1938, as amended.

July 25, 1947
[H. R. 2956]
[Public Law 245]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, approved June 21, 1938, as amended (15 U. S. C. 717f), is hereby amended by adding after subsection (g) the following new subsection:

52 Stat. 824.

"(h) When any holder of a certificate of public convenience and necessity cannot acquire by contract, or is unable to agree with the owner of property to the compensation to be paid for, the necessary right-of-way to construct, operate, and maintain a pipe line or pipe lines for the transportation of natural gas, and the necessary land or other property, in addition to right-of-way, for the location of compressor stations, pressure apparatus, or other stations or equipment necessary to the proper operation of such pipe line or pipe lines, it may acquire the same by the exercise of the right of eminent domain in the district court of the United States for the district in which such property may be located, or in the State courts. The practice and procedure in any action or proceeding for that purpose in the district court of the United States shall conform as nearly as may be with the practice and procedure in similar action or proceeding in the courts of the State where the property is situated: *Provided*, That the United States district courts shall only have jurisdiction of cases when the amount claimed by the owner of the property to be condemned exceeds $3,000."

Right-of-way for pipe line, etc.

Practice and procedure.

Jurisdiction of courts.

Approved July 25, 1947.

[CHAPTER 334]

AN ACT

To enable the Osage Tribal Council to determine the bonus value of tracts offered for lease for oil, gas, and other mining purposes, Osage Mineral Reservation, Oklahoma.

July 25, 1947
[H. R. 3323]
[Public Law 246]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third paragraph of section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the tribal and individual affairs of the Osage Indians of Oklahoma", approved

Osage Indians, Okla.
Determination of bonus value of certain tracts.