

[CHAPTER 622]

AN ACT

October 6, 1949
[H. R. 4943]
[Public Law 328]

To amend the Act providing for the admission of the State of Idaho into the Union by increasing the period for which leases may be made of public lands granted to the State by such Act for educational purposes.

Idaho.
Lease of school
lands.

26 Stat. 216.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second sentence of section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the admission of the State of Idaho into the Union", approved July 3, 1890 (26 Stat. 215), as amended by the Act of February 6, 1942 (56 Stat. 48, ch. 36), is amended by inserting after the words "ten years," the words "and in the case of an oil, gas, or other hydrocarbon lease, for as long thereafter as such product is produced".

Approved October 6, 1949.

[CHAPTER 626]

AN ACT

October 6, 1949
[H. R. 5895]
[Public Law 329]

To promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations.

Mutual Defense As-
sistance Act of 1949.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949".

FINDINGS AND DECLARATION OF POLICY

The Congress of the United States reaffirms the policy of the United States to achieve international peace and security through the United Nations so that armed force shall not be used except in the common interest. The Congress hereby finds that the efforts of the United States and other countries to promote peace and security in furtherance of the purposes of the Charter of the United Nations require additional measures of support based upon the principle of continuous and effective self-help and mutual aid. These measures include the furnishing of military assistance essential to enable the United States and other nations dedicated to the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter to participate effectively in arrangements for individual and collective self-defense in support of those purposes and principles. In furnishing such military assistance, it remains the policy of the United States to continue to exert maximum efforts to obtain agreements to provide the United Nations with armed forces as contemplated in the Charter and agreements to achieve universal control of weapons of mass destruction and universal regulation and reduction of armaments, including armed forces, under adequate safeguards to protect complying nations against violation and evasion.

The Congress hereby expresses itself as favoring the creation by the free countries and the free peoples of the Far East of a joint organization, consistent with the Charter of the United Nations, to establish a program of self-help and mutual cooperation designed to develop their economic and social well-being, to safeguard basic rights and liberties and to protect their security and independence.

The Congress recognizes that economic recovery is essential to international peace and security and must be given clear priority. The Congress also recognizes that the increased confidence of free peoples in their ability to resist direct or indirect aggression and to maintain internal security will advance such recovery and support political stability.