of the Interior may, in his discretion and notwithstanding the provision of any other law, adjust or cancel any charges, including penalties, which have accrued, or which will hereafter accrue, under Public Notice Numbered 5, Milk River project, Montana.

Approved August 28, 1954.

Public Law 688 CHAPTER 1039

August 28, 1954
[H. R. 7734]

AN ACT

To amend section 47 of the National Defense Act concerning the requirement for bond covering certain property issued by the United States for use by Reserve Officers' Training Corps units maintained at educational institutions.

ROTC.
Bond for property.
41 Stat. 777.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 47 of the National Defense Act, as amended (10 U. S. C. 389), is further amended by deleting the last sentence thereof and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "The Secretary of the Army, or the Secretary of the Air Force in the case of property of the Department of the Air Force, shall require a bond or other indemnity in such amount as he considers adequate, but in no event less than $5,000, for the care and safekeeping of all such Government property issued to an educational institution, except uniforms, expendable articles, and supplies expended in operation, maintenance and instruction." A bond without surety thereon may be accepted by the Secretary of the Army or the Secretary of the Air Force, provided the institution to which the property is issued furnishes to the Secretary concerned satisfactory evidence of its financial responsibility.

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Public Law 689 CHAPTER 1040

August 28, 1954
[H. R. 8628]

AN ACT

To amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to insure that crude silicon carbide imported into the United States will continue to be exempt from duty, and with respect to the duties applicable to certain prepared fish.

Silicon carbide.
46 Stat. 677.
19 USC 1201, par. 1672.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph 1672 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, is amended by inserting "crude silicon carbide," after "corundum ore,".

46 Stat. 633.

SEC. 2. (a) Paragraph 720 of title I of the Tariff Act of 1930 (U. S. C., 1952 edition, title 19, sec. 1001, par. 720), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following subparagraph:

Fish sticks.

"(d) Fish sticks and similar products of any size or shape, fillets, or other portions of fish, if breaded, coated with batter, or similarly prepared, but not packed in oil or in oil and other substances, whether in bulk or in containers of any size or kind, and whether or not described or provided for elsewhere in this Act, if uncooked, 20 per centum ad valorem; cooked in any degree, 30 per centum ad valorem."

Effectivity.

(b) The foregoing amendment shall enter into effect as soon as practicable on a date to be specified by the President in a notice to the Secretary of the Treasury following such negotiations as may be necessary to effect a modification or a termination of the international obligations of the United States with which the amendment would be in conflict.

Approved August 28, 1954.