

Public Law 87-217

AN ACT

September 13, 1961
[S. 513]

To authorize and direct the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the vessel *Acadia*, owned by Robert J. Davis of Port Clyde, Maine, to be documented as a vessel of the United States with coastwise privileges.

Acadia.
Coastwise priv-
ileges.
73 Stat. 597.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the provisions of section 4132 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended (46 U.S.C. 11), the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause the vessel *Acadia*, owned by Robert J. Davis of Port Clyde, Maine, to be documented as a vessel of the United States, upon compliance with the usual requirements, with the privilege of engaging in the coastwise trade so long as such vessel is owned by a citizen of the United States.

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AN ACT

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[S. 1657]

To provide means for the Federal Government to combat interstate crime and to assist the States in the enforcement of their criminal laws by prohibiting the interstate transportation of wagering paraphernalia.

Wagering para-
phernalia.
Interstate trans-
portation.
62 Stat. 793.
18 USC 1951.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 95 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding the following new section at the end thereof:

“§ 1953. Interstate transportation of wagering paraphernalia

“(a) Whoever, except a common carrier in the usual course of its business, knowingly carries or sends in interstate or foreign commerce any record, paraphernalia, ticket, certificate, bills, slip, token, paper, writing, or other device used, or to be used, or adapted, devised, or designed for use in (a) bookmaking; or (b) wagering pools with respect to a sporting event; or (c) in a numbers, policy, bolita, or similar game shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than five years or both.

“(b) This section shall not apply to (1) parimutuel betting equipment, parimutuel tickets where legally acquired, or parimutuel materials used or designed for use at racetracks or other sporting events in connection with which betting is legal under applicable State law, or (2) the transportation of betting materials to be used in the placing of bets or wagers on a sporting event into a State in which such betting is legal under the statutes of that State, or (3) the carriage or transportation in interstate or foreign commerce of any newspaper or similar publication.

“(c) Nothing contained in this section shall create immunity from criminal prosecution under any laws of any State, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, territory, possession, or the District of Columbia.”

and by adding the following item to the analysis of the chapter:

“Sec. 1953. Interstate transportation of wagering paraphernalia.”

62 Stat. 762.

SEC. 2. Section 1302 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by deleting the dash at the end of the fifth paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon and adding a new sixth paragraph as follows:

“Any article described in section 1953 of this title—”

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