

Public Law 95-584
95th Congress

An Act

To repeal certain provisions of law establishing limits on the amount of land certain religious corporations may hold in any Territory of the United States.

Nov. 2, 1978
[S. 3371]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1890 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (48 U.S.C. 1480), section 26 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to amend section fifty-three hundred and fifty-two of the Revised Statutes of the United States, in reference to bigamy, and for other purposes' approved March twenty-second, eighteen hundred and eighty-two" (48 U.S.C. 1480a), and the Act of September 22, 1950 (48 U.S.C. 1480b), are hereby repealed.

Religious corporations, limitation on land holdings. Repeal.

SEC. 2. This repeal may not be considered or construed as endorsement, support, or permission for any development on or other use of any land in any territory or possession of the United States; nor shall it be evidence of congressional or other intent to confirm title to any lands in said territories or possessions claimed by any association, corporation, or other entity for religious or charitable purposes.

48 USC 1480 note.

SEC. 3. Subsection 3(b) of the Act entitled "An Act to provide that the Territory of American Samoa be represented by a nonvoting Delegate to the United States House of Representatives, and for other purposes" is hereby amended to read as follows: "(b) owe allegiance to the United States;".

48 USC 1733.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

SENATE REPORT No. 95-1275 (Comm. on Energy and Natural Resources).
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- Oct. 11, considered and passed Senate.
- Oct. 12, considered and passed House, amended.
- Oct. 13, Senate concurred in House amendment.