

contractor had such contractor completed the contract. Any contractor, subcontractor, or completing surety desiring an adjustment and settlement with respect to any such contract under this Act for increased costs incurred after August 10, 1933, by reason of compliance with the codes or reemployment agreements shall file with the department or administrative establishment concerned a verified claim itemizing such additional costs, and any subcontractor on any such contract may file his claim directly with the head of the department or independent establishment concerned or through the contractor. After the claim has been examined by the head of the department or independent establishment concerned, or such person or persons as he shall designate, the claim shall be transmitted to the Comptroller General of the United States, accompanied with an administrative finding of fact and recommendation with respect to the claim.

Filing, examining claims.

Reference, with finding, to Comptroller General.

SEC. 2. In no event shall any allowance exceed the amount by which the cost of performance of such part of the contract as was performed subsequently to August 10, 1933, was directly increased by reason of compliance with a code or codes of fair competition, or with an agreement with the President, as aforesaid.

Allowance not to exceed outlay.

SEC. 3. In no event shall any allowance be made which would result in a profit to the claimant exceeding 7 per centum on the cost of performance of the contract in respect of which the claim is made. The head of the department or establishment concerned, subject to the approval of the Comptroller General, shall have the authority, from time to time, to determine the actual cost and profit thereon.

Profit to claimant limited.

Determining cost and profit.

SEC. 4. No claim hereunder shall be considered or allowed unless presented within six months from the date of approval of this Act or, at the option of the claimant, within six months after the completion of the contract, except in the discretion of the Comptroller General for good cause shown by the claimant.

Time limitation.

SEC. 5. Appropriations for the purpose of paying claims allowed hereunder and the expenses of determining the claims are hereby authorized.

Appropriations authorized.

SEC. 6. In all proceedings under this Act witnesses may be compelled to attend, appear, and testify and produce books, papers, and letters, or other documents; and the claim that any such testimony or evidence may tend to incriminate the person giving the same shall not excuse such witness from testifying, but such evidence or testimony shall not be used against such person in the trial of any criminal proceeding. Nothing in this Act shall in any way relieve or excuse any officer of the United States or any claimant from prosecution under any statute of the United States for any fraud or criminal conduct.

Attendance of witnesses, etc.

Evidence.

Prosecutions.

Approved, June 16, 1934.

[CHAPTER 554.]

AN ACT

Providing for the issuance of patents upon certain conditions to lands and accretions thereto determined to be within the State of New Mexico in accordance with the decree of the Supreme Court of the United States entered April 9, 1928.

June 16, 1934.
[H. R. 5369.]
[Public, No. 370.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to issue patents for the public lands determined to be within the State of New Mexico in accordance with the decree of the Supreme Court of the United

Public lands.
Issue of patents for certain, in New Mexico.

Vol. 45, p. 1445.

States entered April 9, 1928 (New Mexico against Texas, 276 U.S. 558), to the persons in actual and bona fide possession of and claiming title on April 9, 1928, under patent from the State of Texas to such lands, upon payment therefor by such persons to the United States at the rate of \$1.25 an acre.

Requirements of applicants.

SEC. 2. In order to receive a patent under this Act, the persons entitled thereto, their heirs or assigns, shall within five years from the passage of this Act, submit a written application describing the land according to their claim of title, and the proof of the facts necessary under this Act to entitle the applicant to make entry shall be submitted in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, including posting and publication of notice as now prescribed under the homestead laws.

Lands acquired subject to liens, etc.

SEC. 3. It is further provided that any land acquired by patent under this Act shall be subject to the same liens, other than liens for taxes and water and like quasi-public charges, that would have been against such land had it been in Texas.

SEC. 4. As used in this Act the term "person" includes an individual, corporation, partnership, or association.

Approved, June 16, 1934.

[CHAPTER 555.]

AN ACT

June 16, 1934.
[H.R. 6781.]
[Public No. 371.]

To authorize appropriations to pay the annual share of the United States as an adhering member of the International Council of Scientific Unions and associated unions.

International Council of Scientific Unions. Annual appropriations authorized for share.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, in paying the annual share of the United States as an adhering member of the International Council of Scientific Unions and associated unions, including the International Astronomical Union, International Union of Chemistry, International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, International Union of Mathematics, International Scientific Radio Union, International Union of Physics, and International Geographical Union, and such other international scientific unions as the Secretary of State may designate, the sum of \$9,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1935.

Sum for fiscal year, 1935.

Approved, June 16, 1934.

[CHAPTER 556.]

AN ACT

June 16, 1934.
[H.R. 8639.]
[Public, No. 372.]

To repeal certain laws providing for the protection of sea lions in Alaska waters.

Sea lions in Alaskan waters. Laws for protection of, repealed. Vol. 35, p. 104. *Proviso.* Supervision over killing. Vol. 41, p. 717.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all Acts and parts of Acts making it unlawful to kill sea lions, as game animals or otherwise, in the waters of the Territory of Alaska are repealed: *Provided, however,* That sea lions shall not be killed in the waters of Alaska except under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of Commerce may prescribe, in order to prevent the extinction of sea lions as a species of interesting sea life in the waters of Alaska.

Approved, June 16, 1934.