

ARTICLE XI

This Compact may be terminated at any time by consent of a majority of the compacting states and territories. Consent shall be manifested by passage and signature in the usual manner of legislation expressing such consent by the legislature and Governor of such terminating state. Any state or territory may at any time withdraw from this Compact by means of appropriate legislation to that end. Such withdrawal shall not become effective until two years after written notice thereof by the Governor of the withdrawing state or territory accompanied by a certified copy of the requisite legislative action is received by the Commission. Such withdrawal shall not relieve the withdrawing state or territory from its obligations hereunder accruing prior to the effective date of withdrawal. The withdrawing state or territory may rescind its action of withdrawal at any time within the two-year period. Thereafter, the withdrawing state or territory may be reinstated by application to and the approval by a majority vote of the Commission.

Termination.

Withdrawal.

ARTICLE XII

If any compacting state or territory shall at any time default in the performance of any of its obligations assumed or imposed in accordance with the provisions of this Compact, all rights, privileges and benefits conferred by this Compact or agreements hereunder shall be suspended from the effective date of such default as fixed by the Commission.

Default in performance of obligations.

Unless such default shall be remedied within a period of two years following the effective date of such default, this Compact may be terminated with respect to such defaulting state or territory by affirmative vote of three-fourths of the other member states or territories.

Any such defaulting state may be reinstated by: (a) performing all acts and obligations upon which it has heretofore defaulted, and (b) application to and the approval by a majority vote of the Commission.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved August 8, 1953.

Public Law 227

CHAPTER 381

AN ACT

To amend the Act of May 29, 1884, as amended, to provide for the control and eradication of scrapie and blue tongue in sheep, and incipient or potentially serious minor outbreaks of diseases of animals; and for other purposes.

August 8, 1953
[S. 2055]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 11 of the Act of Congress approved May 29, 1884, entitled "An Act for the establishment of a Bureau of Animal Industry, to prevent the exportation of diseased cattle, and to provide means for the suppression and extirpation of pleuropneumonia and other contagious diseases among domestic animals" (21 U. S. C. 114a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Animal disease control.

58 Stat. 734.

"SEC. 11. The Secretary of Agriculture, either independently or in cooperation with States or political subdivisions thereof, farmers' associations and similar organizations, and individuals, is authorized to control and eradicate tuberculosis and paratuberculosis of animals, avian tuberculosis, brucellosis of domestic animals, southern cattle ticks, hog cholera and related swine diseases, scabies in sheep and

Scrapie and blue
tongue.
Minor outbreaks.

cattle, dourine in horses, scrapie and blue tongue in sheep, incipient or potentially serious minor outbreaks of diseases of animals, and contagious or infectious diseases of animals (such as foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, and contagious pleuropneumonia) which in the opinion of the Secretary constitute an emergency and threaten the livestock industry of the country, including the purchase and destruction of diseased or exposed animals (including poultry), or the destruction of such animals and the payment of indemnities therefor, in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe. As used in this section, the term 'State' includes the District of Columbia and the Territories and possessions of the United States."

Approved August 8, 1953.

Public Law 228

CHAPTER 382

AN ACT

August 8, 1953
[S. 2434]

To amend the Northern Pacific Halibut Act of 1937.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Northern Pacific Halibut Act of 1937 (50 Stat. 325, 16 U. S. C. 772) is amended as follows:

Subsection (a) is amended by deleting the words "29th day of January 1937" and substituting in lieu thereof "2d day of March 1953 and any other treaty or convention which modifies or replaces that Convention" and by deleting the words "of the International Fisheries Commission".

Subsection (b) is amended by deleting the words "International Fisheries Commission provided for by article III of the Convention", and substituting in lieu thereof "Commission provided for in the Convention".

Effective date.

This Act shall take effect on the date of entry into force of the Convention between the United States of America and Canada for the Preservation of the Halibut Fishery of the Northern Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea, signed at Ottawa, March 2, 1953.

Approved August 8, 1953.

Public Law 229

CHAPTER 383

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 8, 1953
[S. J. Res. 6]

To provide for a continuance of civil government for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

61 Stat. 397.

Whereas, pursuant to the authority of Public Law 204, Eightieth Congress, of July 18, 1947, the President approved the trusteeship agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands between the United States and the United Nations, effective July 18, 1947; and

3 C F R, 1947
Supp., p. 160.

Whereas responsibility for civil administration of the Trust Territory was vested in the Secretary of the Navy by Executive Order Numbered 9875 of July 18, 1947; and

48 USC note prec.
1451.

Whereas responsibility for such civil administration was transferred to the Secretary of the Interior, effective July 1, 1951, by Executive Order Numbered 10265 of June 29, 1951; and

Whereas organic legislation for the Trust Territory is now pending before the Congress: It is hereby