

ports, and for other purposes", approved July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 887), is amended (1) by striking out "of two years" and inserting in lieu thereof "of three years", and (2) by striking out "four years" and inserting in lieu thereof "five years".

Approved September 14, 1959.

Public Law 86-268

AN ACT

September 14, 1959
[S. 2035]

Authorizing persons maintaining or defending actions in the District of Columbia on behalf of a minor to give releases of liability, and requiring persons receiving money or property in settlement of such actions or in satisfaction of a judgment in any such action to be appointed as guardian of the estate of such minor.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to establish a Code of Law for the District of Columbia", approved March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1189, ch. 854), as amended, is amended by inserting immediately after section 153 the following new section:

D. C. Minors,
liability releases.

"Sec. 153A. (1) Any person entitled to maintain or defend an action in behalf of a minor child, including actions relating to real estate, shall be competent to settle or compromise any action so brought and, upon settlement or compromise thereof or upon satisfaction of any judgment obtained therein, shall be competent to give a full acquittance and release of all liability in connection with such action, but no such settlement or compromise shall be valid unless the same shall be approved by a judge of the court in which such action is pending.

"(2) Before any person shall receive any money or other property on behalf of a minor in settlement or compromise of any action brought on behalf of or against such minor or in satisfaction of any judgment in any such action, where (after deduction of fees, costs and all other expenses incident to the matter) the net value of said money and property due the minor exceeds \$3,000, such person shall be duly appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction as guardian of the estate of such minor to receive such money or property, and shall have qualified as such."

Approved September 14, 1959.

Public Law 86-269

AN ACT

September 14, 1959
[S. 2390]

To authorize the exchange of certain lands in or in the vicinity of Everglades City, Florida, in furtherance of the administration and use of the Everglades National Park.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to further the administration and use of the Everglades National Park, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept on behalf of the United States title to the following described parcels of land:

Everglades City,
Fla.
Exchange of
lands.

Those parts of tracts "R" and "S" which lie west of the right-of-way of State Road Numbered 29, and lots 1 to 9, inclusive, of block 40, in Everglades City, Florida, comprising 18.98, 1.32, and 3.17 acres, respectively, as shown on N.P.S. Map No. EVE-NP-E-1, dated June 23, 1959, of Everglades City, Florida; and not to exceed 15 acres of submerged lands lying adjacent to said tracts "R" and "S", if such additional lands are considered necessary by the Secretary of the Interior to permit full utilization of the lands above described;

and, in exchange for such parcels of land, to convey to the owner or owners thereof all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the following described parcels of land within the Everglades National Park:

Tract "L" and block 34, comprising 9.09 and 1.65 acres, respectively, lying in or in the vicinity of Everglades City, Florida.

SEC. 2. All lands and submerged lands title to which is accepted by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to the provisions of this Act shall, upon the acceptance of title thereto, become parts of the Everglades National Park and shall be subject to all laws and regulations applicable thereto.

Approved September 14, 1959.

Public Law 86-270

JOINT RESOLUTION

September 14, 1959
[H. J. Res. 281]

Authorizing and requesting the President to issue a proclamation with respect to the 1959 Pacific Festival, and for other purposes.

Pacific Festival,
1959.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation inviting foreign nations to participate in the 1959 Pacific Festival which is being held at San Francisco, California, from September 18, 1959, to September 27, 1959, inclusive.

Approved September 14, 1959.

Public Law 86-271

AN ACT

September 14, 1959
[S. 1221]

To amend the Act authorizing the Crooked River Federal reclamation project, Oregon, in order to increase the capacity of certain project features for future irrigation of additional lands.

Crooked River
Federal reclamation
project.
Capacity in-
crease.
43 USC 615f.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize construction by the Secretary of the Interior of the Crooked River Federal reclamation project, Oregon," approved August 6, 1956 (70 Stat. 1058), is amended by adding to that section the following: "The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to construct extra capacity in the canal below said reservoir and pumping plants located on the canal for the future irrigation of approximately three thousand acres of land, in addition to the presently proposed development, and to recognize the cost of providing such extra capacity as a deferred obligation to be paid under arrangements to be made at such time as the additional area may be brought into the project."