

Virginia the judge appointed pursuant to the authority granted by this Act shall become the district judge for the northern district of West Virginia and no successor shall be appointed to the vacancy thus occurring in the position created by this Act.

Approved, June 22, 1936.

[CHAPTER 696.]

AN ACT

June 22, 1936.
[S. 3344.]
[Public, No. 746.]

To appoint one additional judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky.

Kentucky eastern and western judicial districts.
Additional judge authorized for.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one additional judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky. The judge shall be a resident of the State of Kentucky and shall possess the same powers, perform the same duties, and receive the same compensation as the present judges of the respective districts.

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[CHAPTER 697.]

AN ACT

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[S. 3488.]
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To provide for an examination and survey to determine the best utilization of the surplus waters of the San Juan River and the Animas River and to determine the feasibility and cost of storing such waters and of diverting them to the Rio Chama and Rio Grande.

San Juan, etc., Rivers.
Survey to determine best utilization of surplus waters, etc., authorized.

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause an examination and survey to be made to determine the best utilization of the surplus waters of the San Juan River, a tributary of the Colorado River, and to determine the best possible use of such waters in the San Juan Basin without injury to the present users of the waters of the San Juan River and by diversion if feasible of a portion of such surplus waters to the Rio Chama, a tributary of the Rio Grande River, and to report the results of such surveys and examinations to the Congress as soon as possible. There is authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof¹ may be necessary, to carry out the purposes of this Act: *Provided,* That \$17,500 of the above sum may be expended for a similar examination and survey of the surplus waters of the Animas River, a tributary of the Rio Grande River¹, with a view to the diversion, if feasible, of a portion of such surplus waters to the Rio Grande River.

Report to Congress.

Sum authorized.

Proviso.
Similar examination of Animas River.

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[CHAPTER 698.]

AN ACT

June 22, 1936.
[S. 3805.]
[Public, No. 748.]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reserve certain lands on the public domain in Nevada for addition to the Walker River Indian Reservation.

Walker River Indian Reservation, Nev.
Certain public lands added to.

Location.

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized to set aside not to exceed one hundred and seventy-one thousand two hundred acres, or so much thereof as he may deem advisable, of the public-domain

¹ So in original.

lands in townships 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 north, ranges 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31 east, Mount Diablo meridian, Nevada, as an addition to the Walker River Indian Reservation: *Provided*, That the said withdrawal shall not affect any valid rights initiated prior to the approval hereof: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior shall arrange, either by the maintenance of existing stock driveways or otherwise, to permit stock owned by others than Indians to cross the reservation at designated points. Executive order of November 26, 1934, temporarily withdrawing public-domain lands for classification, and so forth, under the Taylor Grazing Act of June 28, 1934 (ch. 865, 48 Stat. L. 1269), is hereby revoked as to such of the above-described lands as may be designated by the Secretary of the Interior for addition to the said Walker River Indian Reservation.

SEC. 2. Title to all minerals in said lands is hereby reserved to the United States and shall be subject to all forms of mineral entry or claim under the public land mining laws: *Provided*, That the Paiute Indians of the Walker River Reservation shall be paid by mineral claimants for the loss of any improvements on any lands located or withdrawn for mining purposes under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior: *And provided further*, That an annual rental of not less than 5 cents per acre shall be paid to the superintendent of the reservation to be deposited to the credit of the tribe as compensation for loss of use or occupancy of any lands withdrawn for mining purposes or mineral entry. No mineral patent shall be granted to any applicant who is delinquent in the payment of rental or in the payment of any damages due the tribe under the provisions of this Act.

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[CHAPTER 699.]

AN ACT

To provide a civil government for the Virgin Islands of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of this Act, and the name "the Virgin Islands" as used in this Act, shall apply to and include the territorial domain, lands and waters acquired by the United States through cession of the Danish West Indian Islands by the convention between the United States of America and His Majesty the King of Denmark entered into August 4, 1916, and ratified by the Senate on September 7, 1916 (39 Stat. L. 1706).

SEC. 2. The insular possession which is the Virgin Islands shall be divided into two municipalities, namely, (1) the municipality of Saint Croix and (2) the municipality of Saint Thomas and Saint John. The boundaries of said municipalities shall be the same as at present established in accordance with laws in force on the date of enactment of this Act, and the capital and seat of the central government shall be Saint Thomas. In this Act the phrase "the Government of the Virgin Islands" shall include, in addition to the governing authority of the insular possession, the governing authority of the two municipalities, unless the context shall indicate a different intention.

SEC. 3. The inhabitants of the municipality of Saint Croix and of the municipality of Saint Thomas and Saint John are hereby constituted into bodies politic and juridic, under the present name of each such municipality, and as such bodies they shall have perpetual succession and power (a) to adopt and use an official seal; (b) to sue and in cases arising out of contract to be sued; (c) to demand the

Provisos.
Prior rights not affected.
Stock driveways.

Executive order revoked.
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Mineral rights reserved.

Provisos.
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June 22, 1936.

[S. 4524.]

[Public, No. 749.]

Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States.
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Subdivisions.
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