

by them and the municipal authorities of said municipal corporation from entering or otherwise trespassing upon these lands, and any violation of this Act or of regulations issued thereunder shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punishable as is provided for in section 5050, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933.

SEC. 4. Nothing herein contained shall affect any valid right or claim to any part of said lands heretofore acquired under any law of the United States.

Approved, July 27, 1939.

[CHAPTER 390]

AN ACT

To provide means by which certain Filipinos can emigrate from the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any native Filipino residing in any State or Territory or the District of Columbia on the effective date of this Act, who desires to return to the Philippine Islands, may apply to the Secretary of Labor, upon such form as the Secretary may prescribe, through any officer of the Immigration Service for the benefits of this Act. Upon approval of such application, the Secretary of Labor shall notify such Filipino forthwith, and shall certify to the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of War that such Filipino is eligible to be returned to the Philippine Islands under the terms of this Act. Every Filipino who is so certified shall be entitled, at the expense of the United States, to transportation and maintenance from his present residence to a port on the west coast of the United States, or in the case of a Filipino residing in Hawaii, to a port in that Territory, and from such port, to passage and maintenance to the port of Manila, Philippine Islands, on either Navy or Army transports, whenever space on such transports is available, or on any ship of United States registry operated by a commercial steamship company which has a contract with the Secretary of Labor as provided in section 2.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Labor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts with any railroad or other transportation company, for the transportation from their present residences to a port on the west coast of the United States or, in the cases of residents of Hawaii, to a port in that Territory, of Filipinos eligible under section 1 to receive such transportation, and with any commercial steamship company, controlled by citizens of the United States and operating ships under United States registry, for transportation and maintenance of such Filipinos from such ports to the port of Manila, Philippine Islands, at such rates as may be agreed upon between the Secretary and such steamship, railroad, or other transportation company.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Labor is authorized and directed to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out this Act, to enter into the necessary arrangements with the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, to fix the ports on the west coast of the United States and in Hawaii from which any Filipinos shall be transported and the dates upon which transportation shall be available from such ports, to provide for the identification of the Filipinos entitled to the benefits of this Act, and to prevent voluntary interruption of the journey between the port of embarkation in the United States or Hawaii and the port of Manila, Philippine Islands.

Penalty for violation.

Existing rights not impaired.

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Native Filipinos residing in United States.

Application for return to Philippine Islands.

Notification upon approval.

Transportation and maintenance expense.

Contracts for transportation.

Rules and regulations.

Reentry of beneficiaries.

48 Stat. 462.
48 U. S. C. § 1238.

Appropriation authorized.
Post, p. 1319.
Administration.

Time limitation.

Not to be considered deportation.

SEC. 4. No Filipino who receives the benefits of this Act shall be entitled to return to the United States, its Territories or possessions, except as a quota immigrant under the provisions of section 8 (a) (1) of the Philippine Independence Act of March 24, 1934, during the period such section 8 (a) (1) is applicable.

SEC. 5. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated from moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, amounts necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act. All amounts so appropriated shall be administered by the Secretary of Labor, and all expenses, including those incurred by the Navy and War Departments, shall be charged thereto.

SEC. 6. No application for the benefits of this Act shall be accepted by any officer of the Immigration Service after December 1, 1940; and all benefits under this Act shall finally terminate on December 31, 1940, unless the journey has been started on or before that date, in which case the journey to Manila shall be completed.

SEC. 7. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as authority to deport any native of the Philippine Islands, and no Filipino removed from any State or Territory or the District of Columbia under the provisions of this Act shall hereafter be held to have been deported from the United States.

Approved, July 27, 1939.

[CHAPTER 393]

AN ACT

July 28, 1939
[H. R. 5407]
[Public, No. 242]

To amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States", approved July 1, 1898, and Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Bankruptcy Act of 1898, amendments.

30 Stat. 544.
11 U. S. C.; 11 U. S. C., Supp. IV.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of July 1, 1898, entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States", as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new chapter, to be designated chapter XV, and to read as follows:

"CHAPTER XV—RAILROAD ADJUSTMENTS

"ARTICLE I—JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction.

"SEC. 700. In addition to the jurisdiction otherwise exercised, courts of bankruptcy shall exercise original jurisdiction, as provided in this chapter, for postponements or modifications of debt, interest, rent, and maturities or for modifications of the securities or capital structures of railroads.

"ARTICLE II—DEFINITIONS

Definitions.

"SEC. 705. The following terms, as used in this chapter, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall be construed as follows:

"Petitioner."
41 Stat. 494.
49 U. S. C. § 20a.
47 Stat. 1474.
11 U. S. C. § 205;
Supp. IV, § 205.

"(1) 'Petitioner' means any carrier as defined in section 20a of the Interstate Commerce Act, excluding any corporation in equity receivership or in proceedings for reorganization under section 77 of this Act, petitioning for a plan of adjustment, as hereinafter defined.

"Claims."

"(2) 'Claims' includes debts whether liquidated or unliquidated, certificates of deposits of securities (other than stock and option warrants to subscribe to stock), including demands and obligations of whatever character made, assumed or guaranteed by the petitioner.

"Debt."

"(3) 'Debt' shall be considered to include all claims held or owned by 'creditors' as hereinafter defined.