

Additional employ-  
ees, instruments, etc.

Appropriation.

Civil service condi-  
tions not applicable  
for two years.  
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Pay of employees.

Report to Congress  
required.

SEC. 3. That for the employment of such additional force of chemists, internal-revenue agents, inspectors, deputy collectors, clerks, laborers, and other assistants as the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, may deem proper and necessary to the prompt and efficient operation and enforcement of this law, and for the purchase of locks, seals, weighing beams, gauging instruments, and for all necessary expenses incident to the proper execution of this law, the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be required, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, said appropriation to be immediately available.

For a period of two years from and after the passage of this Act the force authorized by this section of this Act shall be appointed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, and without compliance with the conditions prescribed by the Act entitled "An Act to regulate and improve the civil service," approved January sixteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, and amendments thereof, and with such compensation as the Commissioner of Internal Revenue may fix, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of the Treasury shall make full report to Congress at its next session of all appointments made under the provisions of this Act, and the compensation paid thereunder, and of all regulations prescribed under the provisions hereof, and shall further report what, if any, additional legislation is necessary, in his opinion, to fully safeguard the revenue and to secure a proper enforcement of this Act.

Approved, June 7, 1906.

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[H. R. 12064.]  
[Public, No. 202.]

CHAP. 3048.—An Act To amend section seven of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for a permanent Census Office," approved March sixth, nineteen hundred and two.

Census Office.  
Vol. 32, p. 52, amend-  
ed.

Special reports,  
Decennial collec-  
tion of statistics for.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section seven of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for a permanent Census Office," approved March sixth, nineteen hundred and two, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. That after the completion and return of the enumeration and of the work upon the schedules relating to the products of agriculture and to manufacturing and mechanical establishments provided for in section seven of the Act of March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, entitled 'An Act to provide for taking the Twelfth and subsequent censuses,' the Director of the Census is hereby authorized decennially to collect statistics relating to the defective, dependent, and delinquent classes; to crime, including judicial statistics pertaining thereto, provided that such statistics shall include information upon the following questions, namely: Age, sex, color, race, nativity, parentage, literacy by race, color, nativity, and parentage, and such other questions relating to these subjects as the Director in his discretion may deem proper; to social statistics of cities; to public indebtedness, valuation, taxation, and expenditures; to religious bodies; to transportation by water, and express business; to mines, mining, quarries, and minerals, and the production and value thereof, including gold in divisions of placer and vein, and silver mines, and the number of men employed, the average daily wage, average working time, and aggregate earnings in the various branches and aforesaid divisions of the mining and quarrying industries; to savings banks and other savings institutions, mort-

gage, loan, and investment companies, and similar institutions; to the fishing industry in cooperation with the Bureau of Fisheries; and every five years to collect statistics relating to street railways, electric light and power, telephone, and telegraph business. And the Director of the Census shall prepare schedules containing such interrogatories as shall in his judgment be best adapted to elicit the information required under the subjects, with such specifications, divisions, and particulars under each head as he shall deem necessary to that end; and all reports prepared under the provisions of this section shall be designated as 'Special Reports of the Census Office.' For the purpose of securing the statistics required by this section the Director of the Census may appoint special agents when necessary, and such special agents shall receive compensation as hereinafter provided. And the Director of the Census shall edit, index, and publish the Official Register of the United States, and the provisions of existing law imposing that duty upon the Department of the Interior are hereby repealed, and the data to be included in the Official Register, which is now required to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior, shall hereafter be transmitted to the Director of the Census."

Approved, June 7, 1906.

Street railways, electric light, etc., statistics collected every five years.

Special agents.

Official Register to be edited, etc., by Director of the Census. R. S. secs. 198, 508, 510, pp. 31, 84, amended.

**CHAP. 3054.**—An Act Providing for compulsory education in the District of Columbia.

June 8, 1906.  
[S. 1243.]

[Public, No. 203.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That every parent, guardian, or other person residing in the District of Columbia having charge and control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years shall cause such child to be regularly instructed in the elementary branches of knowledge, including reading, writing, English grammar, geography, and arithmetic, and pursuant to this end every such parent, guardian, or other person aforesaid shall cause any child under the charge and control of such person to attend some public, private, or parochial school during the period of each year the public schools in the District are in session, on the customary days and during the customary hours of the school term. No child shall be credited with attendance upon a private or parochial school unless the attendance officer hereinafter provided for receives a certificate of attendance signed by the person in charge of such school. A child between the ages aforesaid may be excused from school attendance or instruction upon presentation of satisfactory evidence to the superintendent of schools that such child is being or has been within said year instructed a like period of time in the branches taught in the public schools, or that such child has acquired these branches of learning, or that the physical or mental condition of such child is such as to render such attendance or instruction inexpedient or impracticable.

District of Columbia. Compulsory education of children between ages of eight and fourteen in.

Certificate of attendance required.

Conditions upon which school attendance may be excused.

SEC. 2. That if any person having under control a child, as described in section one, shall neglect for three day sessions or six half-day sessions, within any period of five months to cause such child to attend school, a written notice shall be sent to such person by an attendance officer, hereinafter provided for, informing him that the attendance of the child under the control of such person is required at school within a period of three days. If such child is not excused as provided for in section one, and is not in school within three days, prosecution shall be begun in the police court by an officer empowered under this Act against the parent or other person in control of the child, and upon conviction the parent or other person in control of the child shall be punished for each and every offense by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

Written notice to parents, etc., in case of nonattendance.

Punishment for neglect to comply with notice.