dures employed in any such supplementary agreement shall be substantially similar to and in conformity with the provisions and procedures of such compact.

SEC. 6. Nothing contained in this Act or in the compact herein approved shall be construed as impairing or affecting the sovereignty of the United States or any of its rights or jurisdiction in and over the area or waters which are the subject of the compact.

SEC. 7. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

Approved August 23, 1958.

Public Law 85-735

AN ACT

To authorize free transit at the Panama Canal for vessels operated by State nautical schools.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 412 (c) of title 2 of the Canal Zone Code is amended to read as follows:

"(c) Vessels operated by the United States, including warships, naval tenders, colliers, tankers, transports, hospital ships, and other vessels owned or chartered by the United States for transporting troops or supplies, and oceangoing training ships owned by the United States and operated by State nautical schools may, in the discretion of the President of the United States, be required to pay tolls. In the event, however, that such vessels are not required to pay tolls. In the thereon shall nevertheless be computed and the amounts thereof shall be treated as revenues of the Panama Canal Company for the purpose of prescribing the rates of tolls, and shall be offset against the obligations of the said corporation under paragraphs (c) and (e) of section 246 of this title, as amended."

Approved August 23, 1958.

Public Law 85-736

AN ACT

To amend section 2324 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, to change the period for doing annual assessment work on unpatented mineral claims so that it will run from September 1 of one year to September 1 of the succeeding year, and to make such change effective with respect to the assessment work year commencing in 1959.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2324 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (30 U. S. C. 28), is amended by striking out "1st day of July" and inserting in lieu thereof "1st day of September".

SEC. 2. Notwithstanding the amendment made by the first section of this Act, the period commencing in 1957 for the performance of annual assessment work under section 2324 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, shall end at 12 o'clock meridian on the 1st day of July 1958, and the period commencing in 1958 for the performance of such annual assessment work shall commence at 12 o'clock meridian on the 1st day of July 1958, and shall continue to 12 o'clock meridian on September 1, 1959.

Approved August 23, 1958.

August 23, 1958 [H. R. 7779]

Panama Canal. Certain vessels, free transit.

August 23, 1958 [S. 3199]

Mining claims. Assessment work year.