

CHAP. 166.—An Act Amending the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the President to increase temporarily the Military Establishment of the United States," approved May eighteenth, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second sentence of section two of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the President to increase temporarily the Military Establishment of the United States," approved May eighteenth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, as amended, be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Such draft as herein provided shall be based upon liability to military service of all male citizens and male persons residing in the United States, not alien enemies, who have declared their intention to become citizens, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, both inclusive, and shall take place and be maintained under such regulations as the President may prescribe not inconsistent with the terms of this Act: *Provided*, That the President may draft such persons liable to military service in such sequence of ages and at such time or times as he may prescribe: *Provided further*, That a citizen or subject of a country neutral in the present war who has declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States shall be relieved from liability to military service upon his making a declaration, in accordance with such regulations as the President may prescribe, withdrawing his intention to become a citizen of the United States, which shall operate and be held to cancel his declaration of intention to become an American citizen, and he shall forever be debarred from becoming a citizen of the United States.

SEC. 2. That the provision wherever occurring in section four of said Act, "persons engaged in industries, including agriculture, found to be necessary to the maintenance of the Military Establishment or the effective operation of the military forces or the maintenance of national interest during the emergency," be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Persons engaged in industries, occupations, or employments, including agriculture, found to be necessary to the maintenance of the Military Establishment or the effective operation of the military forces or the maintenance of national interest during the emergency.

SEC. 3. That section five of said Act be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

That all male persons between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, both inclusive, shall be subject to registration in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by the President, and, upon proclamation by the President or other public notice given by him or by his direction stating the time or times and place or places of any such registration, it shall be the duty of all persons of the designated ages, except officers and enlisted men of the Regular Army; officers and enlisted men of the National Guard while in the service of the United States; officers of the Officers' Reserve Corps and enlisted men in the Enlisted Reserve Corps while in the service of the United States; officers and enlisted men of the Navy and Marine Corps; officers and enlisted and enrolled men of the Naval Reserve Force and Marine Corps Reserve while in the service of the United States; officers commissioned in the Army of the United States under the provisions of this Act; persons who, prior to any day set for registration by the President hereunder, have registered under the terms of this Act or under the terms of the resolution entitled "Joint resolution providing for the registration for military service of all male persons citizens of the United States and all male persons residing in the United States who have, since the fifth day of June, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and on or before the day set for the registration by proclamation by the President, attained the age of twenty-one years, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the President may

Army emergency increase.
Ante, p. 77, amended.
Ante, p. 557.

Selective draft.
Male persons between 18 and 45 liable.

Provisos.
Sequence of ages permitted.

Neutral aliens may withdraw declaration of intention and be relieved of military liability.
Ante, p. 885.

Citizenship forever barred thereby.

Exemptions from draft.
Ante, p. 79, amended.

Persons in industries, occupations, etc., necessary to present national interest, etc.

Registration.
Ante, p. 80, amended.

Ages liable.
Presentation for, on notice given by proclamation.
Post, pp. 1840, 1851, 1856, 1860.

Exceptions.
Persons in armed service.

Previously registered.
Ante, p. 557.