

Public Law 89-141

AN ACT

August 28, 1965
[H. R. 6097]

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for the assassination of the President or the Vice President, and for other purposes.

President or
Vice President
assassination
penalties.
62 Stat. 683.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting immediately following section 1734 thereof, a new chapter, as follows:

“Chapter 84.—PRESIDENTIAL ASSASSINATION, KIDNAPING, AND ASSAULT

“§ 1751. Presidential assassination, kidnaping, and assault; penalties

“(a) Whoever kills any individual who is the President of the United States, the President-elect, the Vice President, or, if there is no Vice President, the officer next in the order of succession to the office of President of the United States, the Vice-President-elect, or any individual who is acting as President under the Constitution and laws of the United States, shall be punished as provided by sections 1111 and 1112 of this title.

62 Stat. 756.

“(b) Whoever kidnaps any individual designated in subsection (a) of this section shall be punished (1) by imprisonment for any term of years or for life, or (2) by death or imprisonment for any term of years or for life, if death results to such individual.

“(c) Whoever attempts to kill or kidnap any individual designated in subsection (a) of this section shall be punished by imprisonment for any term of years or for life.

“(d) If two or more persons conspire to kill or kidnap any individual designated in subsection (a) of this section and one or more of such persons do any act to effect the object of the conspiracy, each shall be punished (1) by imprisonment for any term of years or for life, or (2) by death or imprisonment for any term of years or for life, if death results to such individual.

“(e) Whoever assaults any person designated in subsection (a) of this section shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than 10 years, or both.

Definitions.

“(f) The terms ‘President-elect’ and ‘Vice-President-elect’ as used in this section shall mean such persons as are the apparent successful candidates for the offices of President and Vice President, respectively, as ascertained from the results of the general elections held to determine the electors of President and Vice President in accordance with title 3, United States Code, sections 1 and 2.

62 Stat. 672.

“(g) The Attorney General of the United States, in his discretion, is authorized to pay an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for information and services concerning a violation of this section. Any officer or employee of the United States or of any State or local government who furnishes information or renders service in the performance of his official duties shall not be eligible for payment under this subsection.

“(h) If Federal investigative or prosecutive jurisdiction is asserted for a violation of this section, such assertion shall suspend the exercise of jurisdiction by a State or local authority, under any applicable State or local law, until Federal action is terminated.

“(i) Violations of this section shall be investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistance may be requested from any Federal, State, or local agency, including the Army, Navy, and Air Force, any statute, rule, or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding.”

SEC. 2. Subsection (c) of section 3486 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the words "in any case or proceeding before any grand jury or court of the United States" the following: "involving any violation of section 1751 of title 18 of the United States Code, or".

68 Stat. 745.

SEC. 3. The table of contents to "PART I.—CRIMES" of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after

"83. Postal Service..... 1691"

a new chapter reference as follows:

"84. Presidential assassination, kidnaping, and assault..... 1751".

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Extending the duration of copyright protection in certain cases.

August 28, 1965
[H. J. Res. 431]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in any case in which the renewal term of copyright subsisting in any work on the date of approval of this resolution, or the term thereof as extended by Public Law 87-668, would expire prior to December 31, 1967, such term is hereby continued until December 31, 1967.

Copyright terms.
Extension.

76 Stat. 555.
17 USC 24 note.

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AN ACT

To amend section 2575(a) of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the disposition of lost, abandoned, or unclaimed personal property under certain conditions.

August 28, 1965
[H. R. 5034]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2575(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

Armed Forces.
Unclaimed prop-
erty, disposition,
70A Stat. 144.

(1) by changing the second sentence to read: "However, property may not be disposed of until diligent effort has been made to find the owner, his heirs or next of kin, or his legal representative.";

(2) by inserting "certified or" between "by" and "registered" in the third sentence; and

(3) by adding a new sentence at the end thereof to read: "When diligent effort to determine the owner, his heirs or next of kin, or his legal representatives is unsuccessful, the property may be disposed of without delay, except that if it has a fair market value of \$25 or more the property may not be disposed of until three months after the date it is received at a storage point designated by the Secretary."

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