

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 1, 1867.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

## AN ACT

Amendatory of "An act for the disposal of the public lands for homestead actual settlement in the States of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Florida."

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That the act of Congress entitled "An act for the disposal of  
4       the public lands for homestead actual settlement in the States  
5       of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Florida,"  
6       approved June twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-six,  
7       be, and the same is hereby, so amended, that hereafter any  
8       person applying for the benefit of said act shall make oath  
9       that he has not voluntarily borne arms against the United  
10      States, or given aid and comfort to its enemies: *Provided,*  
11      That said oath shall not be required of any person who  
12      during the late war enlisted in the military or naval service of  
13      the United States, and shall have been honorably discharged  
14      therefrom.

Passed the House of Representatives February 28, 1867.

Attest:                      EDWARD McPHERSON, *Clerk.*

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