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To amend the Communications Act of 1934 in order to make certain provision for the carrying out of the Agreement for the Promotion of Safety on the Great Lakes by Means of Radio.

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2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That section 3 of the Communications Act of 1934, as
4 amended, is amended by inserting after paragraph (dd)
5 the following:

6 “(ee) ‘Great Lakes Agreement’ means the Agree-
7 ment for the Promotion of Safety on the Great Lakes by
8 Means of Radio in force and the regulations referred to
9 therein.”

1 SEC. 2. (a) The first sentence of section 4 (f) (3) of
2 such Act is amended to read as follows: "The Commission
3 shall fix a reasonable rate of extra compensation for overtime
4 services of engineers in charge and radio engineers of the
5 Field Engineering and Monitoring Bureau of the Federal
6 Communications Commission, who may be required to re-
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8 and 8 o'clock antemeridian or on Sundays or holidays to
9 perform services in connection with the inspection of ship
10 radio equipment and apparatus for the purposes of part II
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13 fraction thereof of at least one hour that the overtime ex-
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16 postmeridian to 8 o'clock antemeridian) and two additional
17 days' pay for Sunday or holiday duty."

18 (b) The last proviso of such section 4 (f) (3) is
19 amended by striking out "inspectors" wherever it appears
20 therein and inserting in lieu thereof "engineers".

21 SEC. 3. Title V of such Act is amended by inserting
22 after section 506 a new section reading as follows:

1 “VIOLATION OF GREAT LAKES AGREEMENT

2 “SEC. 507. (a) Any vessel of the United States that
3 is navigated in violation of the provisions of the Great Lakes
4 Agreement or the rules and regulations of the Commission
5 made in pursuance thereof and any vessel of a foreign coun-
6 try that is so navigated on waters under the jurisdiction
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8 sum of \$500 recoverable by way of suit or libel. Each day
9 during which such navigation occurs shall constitute a sepa-
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11 “(b) Every willful failure on the part of the master of
12 a vessel of the United States to enforce or to comply with
13 the provisions of the Great Lakes Agreement or the rules
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17 SEC. 4. Section 504 (b) of such Act is amended by
18 deleting “title III, part II” and inserting in lieu thereof
19 “part II of title III and section 507”.

20 SEC. 5. Section 602 (e) of such Act is amended to
21 read as follows:

22 “(e) The Act entitled ‘An Act to require apparatus and

1 operators for radio communication on certain ocean steam-
2 ers', approved June 24, 1910, as amended, is hereby
3 repealed."

4 SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect on November 13,
5 1954.

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