An act to amend Section 1 of an act entitled "An act granting to the City of Venice the tidelands and submerged lands of the State of California within the boundaries of the said city," approved April 10, 1917, relative to grant of tide and submerged lands to the City of Venice. [Approved by Governor July 18, 1945. Filed with Secretary of State July 18, 1945.]

In effect September 15, 1945

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of the act cited in the title hereof is amended to read:

There is hereby granted to the City of Los Angeles, the successor to the City of Venice, a municipal corporation of the State of California, and to its successors, all the right, title and interest of the State of California, held by said State by virtue of its sovereignty, in and to all the tidelands and submerged lands, whether filled or unfilled, and situated below the line of mean high tide of the Pacific Ocean, or of any harbor, estuary, bay or inlet within said boundaries, to be forever held by said city, and by its successors, the tide and submerged lands herein granted, being those situated in the former City of Venice, a municipal corporation, prior to its annexation to and consolidation with the City of Los Angeles, excepting any property held under or from a Mexican grant or patent within the boundaries and jurisdiction of said former City of Venice, a municipal corporation, to be used by said city and by its successors, solely for the establishment, improvement and conduct of a harbor, and for the construction, maintenance and operation thereon of wharves, docks, piers, slips, quays, and other utilities, structures and appliances necessary or convenient for the promotion and accommodation of commerce and navigation; for the improvement, construction and use of, and for parks, playgrounds, streets, boulevards, bathing, bathhouses, and beaches, and for any purpose herein permitted, to reclaim and fill the same; and said City of Los Angeles, or its successors, shall not, at any time, grant, convey, give or alien said lands, or any part thereof, to any individual, firm or corporation for any purpose whatsoever; provided, that said city, or its successors, may grant franchises thereon, for limited periods, in any event not to exceed thirty (30) years, for wharves and other public uses and purposes, and may lease said lands, or any part thereof, for limited periods, in any event not to exceed thirty (30) years, for any and all purposes which shall not interfere with commerce or navigation, and are not inconsistent with the trusts upon which said lands are held by the State of California; and shall always remain a public harbor.
for all purposes of commerce and navigation, and the State of California shall have, at all times the right to use, without charge, all wharves, docks, piers, slips, quays and other improvements constructed on said lands, or any part thereof, for any vessel or other water craft, or railroad, owned or operated by the State of California;

(c) That in the management, conduct or operation of said harbor, or of any of the utilities, structures or appliances mentioned in paragraph (a), no discrimination in rates, tolls, or charges, or in facilities, for any use or service in connection therewith shall ever be made, authorized or permitted by said city or by its successors;

Reserving, however, in the people of the State of California the absolute right to fish in the waters of said harbor, with the right of convenient access to said waters over said lands for said purpose.

CHAPTER 1514

An act declaring the public policy of the State, relating to flood waters and control, conservation and use of the State's water resources; creating the State Water Resources Board and prescribing its powers and duties; prescribing the powers and duties of the Department of Public Works and authorizing the cooperation of the State Water Resources Board and the Department of Public Works with the United States, its instrumentalities and agencies, and with counties, cities, State agencies and public districts relating to flood waters and their control, flood damage, and the washing away of river and stream banks by floods; adopting and authorizing construction of certain flood control projects and providing cooperation with the United States thereon.

[Approved by Governor July 19, 1945 Filed with Secretary of State July 19, 1945.] In effect September 15, 1945

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

Section 1. It is hereby declared that the people of the State of California have a primary interest in the control and conservation of flood waters, prevention of damage by flood waters, the washing away of river and stream banks by floods, and in the determination of the manner in which such flood waters shall be controlled for the protection of life and property and the control, storage, and use of the State's water resources in the general public interest.

Sec. 2. It is hereby declared that recurrent floods on streams and rivers, and other waterways of the State, causing loss of life and property, disruption of commerce, interruption of transportation and communications, and wasting of water, are detrimental to the peace, health, safety and welfare of the people of the State; and that the control, storage and full bene-