

Printing the Acts of Congress

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[Made the 26th of May, 1789, and order to lie on the table.]

Report respecting proposals for printing the acts and other proceedings of Congress.

That it would be proper that it should be left to the Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House of Representatives to contract with such person as shall engage to execute the printing and binding business, on the most reasonable terms, —the paper being furnished by the said Secretary and Clerk to such person, at the public expense: That such person as they shall contract with, shall be obliged to render a state of his accounts, quarterly; and that six hundred copies of the acts of Congress, and seven hundred copies of the Journals, be printed and distributed to the Executive and Judicial, and heads of departments of the government of the United States, and the executive, legislative and judicial of the several states.

28th May, 1789—considered, amended, and agreed to, as above. . . .

[Made the 29th of May, 1789, considered, amended, and agreed to.]

Report on the proper method of receiving into either House, bills, or messages from the President of the United States.

That until the public offices are established, and the respective officers appointed, any returns of bills and resolutions, or other communications from the President, may be received by either House, under cover, directed to the President of the Senate, or Speaker of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, and transmitted by such person as the President may think proper.

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