

**Editorial Notes**

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## AMENDMENTS

1932—Act July 16, 1932, substituted “States of Louisiana and New Mexico” for “State of Louisiana”.

**§ 272. Leases to permittees; privileges extended to oil and gas permittees**

Upon showing to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Interior that valuable deposits of sulphur have been discovered by the permittee within the area covered by his permit, and that the land is chiefly valuable therefor, the permittee shall be entitled to a lease for any or all of the land embraced in the prospecting permit, at a royalty of 5 per centum of the quantity or gross value of the output of sulphur at the point of shipment to market, such lease to be taken in compact form by legal subdivisions of the public-land surveys; or if the land be not surveyed, by survey executed at the cost of the permittee in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided*, That where any person having been granted an oil and gas permit makes a discovery of sulphur in lands covered by said permit, he shall have the same privilege of leasing not to exceed six hundred and forty acres of said land under the same terms and conditions as are given a sulphur permittee under the provisions of this section.

(Apr. 17, 1926, ch. 158, § 2, 44 Stat. 301.)

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**§ 273. Lease of lands not covered by permits or leases; acreage; rental**

Lands known to contain valuable deposits of sulphur and not covered by permits or leases shall be held subject to lease by the Secretary of the Interior through advertisement, competitive bidding, or such other methods as he may by general regulations adopt and in such areas as he shall fix, not exceeding six hundred and forty acres; all leases to be conditioned upon the payment by the lessee of such royalty as may be fixed in the lease and the payment in advance of a rental of 50 cents per acre per annum, the rental paid for any one year to be credited against the royalties accruing for that year.

(Apr. 17, 1926, ch. 158, § 3, 44 Stat. 301.)

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**§ 274. Lands containing coal or other minerals**

Prospecting permits or leases may be issued in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior

under the provisions of this subchapter for deposits of sulphur in public lands also containing coal or other minerals on condition that such other deposits be reserved to the United States for disposal under applicable laws.

(Apr. 17, 1926, ch. 158, § 4, 44 Stat. 302.)

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**§ 275. Laws applicable**

The general provisions of sections 181 to 184, 185 to 188, 189 to 192, 193, and 194<sup>1</sup> of this title, are made applicable to permits and leases under this subchapter, sections 181 and 193 of this title being amended to include deposits of sulphur, and section 184 of this title being amended so as to prohibit any person, association, or corporation from taking or holding more than three sulphur permits or leases in any one State during the life of such permits or leases.

(Apr. 17, 1926, ch. 158, § 5, 44 Stat. 302.)

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## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 194 of this title, referred to in text, was repealed by Pub. L. 89-554, § 8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 644.

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**§ 276. Application of subchapter to Louisiana and New Mexico only**

The provisions of this subchapter shall apply only to the States of Louisiana and New Mexico.

(Apr. 17, 1926, ch. 158, § 6, 44 Stat. 302; July 16, 1932, ch. 498, 47 Stat. 701.)

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## SUBCHAPTER IX—POTASH

**§ 281. Prospecting permits for chlorides, sulphates, carbonates, borates, silicates, or nitrates of potassium; authorization; acreage; lands affected**

The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to grant to any qualified applicant a prospecting permit which shall give the exclusive right to prospect for chlorides, sulphates, carbonates, borates, silicates, or ni-

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.