

AMENDING SECTION 4472, REVISED STATUTES.

MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

RETURNING

SENATE BILL NO. 5514 WITHOUT APPROVAL.

MAY 11, 1906.—Read; referred to the Committee on Commerce and ordered to be printed.

To the Senate:

Senate bill No. 5514 is returned herewith without approval, for the reasons set forth in the following report from the Secretary of Commerce and Labor:

I have the honor to return herewith the bill S. 5514, "An act to amend section 4472 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the carrying of dangerous articles on passenger steamers," and to state, in reply to the request contained in the letter of May 5, 1906, that the Department objects to the approval of the bill for the following reasons:

The word "passenger" in the bill should be "passengers." It passed the Senate "passengers" and the House of Representatives "passenger." The mistake was not detected and the bill was enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate with the word "passenger." In the opinion of the Department the circumstances of the passage of the bill are sufficient to raise doubt as to its validity and question as to its application.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *May 10, 1906.*

[S. 5514. Fifty-ninth Congress of the United States of America; at the first session, begun and held at the city of Washington on Monday, the fourth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and five.]

AN ACT To amend section forty-four hundred and seventy-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the carrying of dangerous articles on passenger steamers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-four hundred and seventy-two of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and the same is hereby, amended by inserting, after the word "passenger," where it first occurs in said section, the words "for hire."

J. G. CANNON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS,
Vice-President of the United States and President of the Senate.

I certify that this act originated in the Senate.

CHARLES G. BENNETT,
Secretary.