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FIRST SESSION OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday, January 5, 1955, and adjourned sine die on Tuesday, August 2, 1955. DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President; RICHARD M. NIXON, Vice President; SAM RAYBURN, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Public Law 1

Chapter 1

January 20, 1955
[Pub. L. 2559]

To amend section 7237 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of subsection (a) of section 7237 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is hereby amended by striking out “subpart C of part I,” and inserting in lieu thereof “part I.” Subsection (b) of such section is hereby amended by striking out “subpart C of”.

Approved January 20, 1955.

Public Law 2

Chapter 2

January 20, 1955
[S. J. Res. 4]

To provide for the continuation in office of certain members of the Commission on Governmental Operations.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act entitled “An Act for the establishment of a Commission on Governmental Operations”, approved July 10, 1953 (67 Stat. 143), is amended, effective December 31, 1954, by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(c) Continuation of Membership Upon Change of Status.—Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), a person appointed...
Public Law 3

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply appropriations (this Act may be cited as the "Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1955") for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes, namely:

CHAPTER I

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

SENATE

For payment to Harriet McCarran, widow of Pat McCarran, late a Senator from the State of Nevada, $12,500.

For payment to Mary R. P. Maybank, widow of Burnet R. Maybank, late a Senator from the State of South Carolina, $12,500.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

The appropriation for salaries of officers and employees of the Senate contained in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1955, is made available for the employment of additional clerical assistants for each Senator from the State of Kentucky, so that the allowance for administrative and clerical assistants for such Senators will be equal to that allowed other Senators from States having a population of more than three million but less than five million, the population of said State having exceeded three million inhabitants.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Office of the Secretary: For an additional amount for the Office of the Secretary, $4,845: Provided, That effective February 1, 1955, the basic amount available for clerical assistance and readjustment of salaries in the disbursing office is increased by $6,600 per annum.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

Senate policy committees: For an additional amount for the Senate policy committees, for agency contribution for Federal Employees Group Life Insurance, as authorized by Public Law 598, Eighty-third Congress, $2200 for each such committee; in all, $440.

Joint Committee on Printing: For an additional amount for the Joint Committee on Printing, for agency contribution for Federal

CHAPTER 3

January 25, 1955

[42 Stat. 397]

Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1955.

Approved January 20, 1955.
Employees Group Life Insurance, as authorized by Public Law 598, Eighty-third Congress, $115.

Inquiries and investigations: For an additional amount for expenses of inquiries and investigations, $795,000.

Stationery: For an additional amount for stationery, $3,550, and the amount available for stationery for committees and officers of the Senate is hereby increased to $13,550.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

For payment to Florence R. Rogers, widow of Dwight L. Rogers, late a Representative from the State of Florida, $12,500.

For payment to Nora Mack, mother-in-law, and Isabel Kanaga and Florence R. King, sisters, of Paul W. Shafer, late a Representative from the State of Michigan, $12,500.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

Terraces of Capitol Building: Not to exceed $44,500 of the balance of the appropriation for “Terraces of Capitol Building” contained in the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1954, unobligated on December 31, 1954, is hereby continued available, and in addition to the purposes heretofore authorized shall also be available for reconstruction of the House and Senate walkways adjacent to the terraces.

CHAPTER II

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

The limitation under this heading in the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amount available for administrative expenses of the Corporation is increased from “$18,000,000” to “$25,290,000”.

CHAPTER III

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Commission on Intergovernmental Relations

Salaries and Expenses

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $160,000: Provided, That said appropriation shall remain available until June 30, 1955: Provided further, That this paragraph shall be effective only upon the enactment into law of H. R. 2010, Eighty-fourth Congress.

Housing and Home Finance Agency

Federal Housing Administration

The amount made available under this head in title II of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955, as amended by the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, for administrative expenses, is increased from “$5,500,000” to “$5,625,000”, and the limitation on the amount available for the expenses of travel is increased from “$250,000” to “$267,600”: Provided, That the limitation under said
head on the amounts available for certain nonadministrative expenses of said Administration is increased from "$26,250,000" to not to exceed "$31,560,000": Provided further, That no part of the funds contained herein shall be available for transfer, but shall be available for use exclusively by the Federal Housing Administration.

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Administrative expenses", for carrying out the provisions of the Act of August 31, 1954 (Public Law 744), $130,000, to be derived from the War Claims Fund created by section 13a of the War Claims Act of 1948 (Public Law 896, approved July 3, 1948); and this amount and amounts previously made available from this source to the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission for "Administrative expenses" shall remain available until June 30, 1955: Provided, That the limitation under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955, as amended by the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amount available for expenses of travel of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission (War Claims Commission) is increased from "$8,000" to "$12,000".

CHAPTER IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this or any other Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Public Law 4

CHAPTER 4

JOINT RESOLUTION

January 29, 1955

[59th Cong., 1st Sess.] H. J. Res. 159

Authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the United States for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores and related positions and territories of that area.

Whereas the primary purpose of the United States, in its relations with all other nations, is to develop and sustain a just and enduring peace for all; and

Whereas certain territories in the West Pacific under the jurisdiction of the Republic of China are now under armed attack, and threats and declarations have been and are being made by the Chinese Communists that such armed attack is in aid of and in preparation for armed attack on Formosa and the Pescadores,

Whereas such armed attack if continued would gravely endanger the peace and security of the West Pacific Area and particularly of Formosa and the Pescadores; and

Whereas the secure possession by friendly governments of the Western Pacific Island chain, of which Formosa is a part, is essential to the vital interests of the United States and all friendly nations in or bordering upon the Pacific Ocean; and

Whereas the President of the United States on January 6, 1955, submitted to the Senate for its advice and consent to ratification a Mutual Defense Treaty between the United States of America and the Republic of China, which recognizes that an armed attack in the West Pacific area directed against territories, therein described, in the region of Formosa and the Pescadores, would be dangerous to the peace and safety of the parties to the treaty: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be and he hereby is authorized to employ the Armed Forces of the United States as he deems necessary for the specific purpose of securing and protecting Formosa and the Pescadores against armed attack, this authority to include the securing and protection of such related positions and territories of that area now in friendly hands and the taking of such other measures as he judges to be required or appropriate in assuring the defense of Formosa and the Pescadores.

This resolution shall expire when the President shall determine that the peace and security of the area is reasonably assured by international conditions created by action of the United Nations or otherwise, and shall so report to the Congress. Approved January 29, 1955, 8:42 a.m.

Public Law 5

CHAPTER 5

AN ACT

February 7, 1955

To amend the Act of July 10, 1953, which created the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (c) of section 3 of the Act of July 10, 1953, entitled "An Act to establish a Commission on Intergovernmental Relations", is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) The Commission, not later than June 30, 1955, shall submit to the President for transmittal to the Congress its final report, including recommendations for legislative action; and the Commission may
also from time to time make to the President such earlier reports as
the President may request or as the Commission deems appropriate."

SEC. 2. Section 6 of such Act of July 10, 1953, is hereby amended
to read as follows:

"TERMINATION OF THE COMMISSION

"Sec. 6. The Commission shall cease to exist at the close of business
on June 30, 1955."

Approved February 7, 1955.

Public Law 6

JOINT RESOLUTION

Extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the
1960 Olympic Games at Detroit, Michigan.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That whereas the United
States Olympic Association will invite the International Olympic
Committee to hold the Olympic Games in the United States at Detroit,
Michigan, in 1960, the Government of the United States joins in the
invitation of the United States Olympic Association to the Inter-
national Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Olympic Games in the
United States at Detroit, Michigan; and expresses the sincere hope
that the United States will be selected as the site for this great
enterprise in international good will.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit a copy of this
joint resolution to the International Olympic Committee.

Approved February 15, 1955.

Public Law 7

AN ACT

To provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may
continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment
Assistance Act of 1952, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 201
(1) of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 (38 U. S. C.,
sec. 911(1)) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(1) the term 'basic service period' means the period beginning
on June 27, 1950, and ending on January 31, 1955, except that with
respect to persons in the active service in the Armed Forces on
January 31, 1955, such term means the period beginning on June
27, 1950, and ending on the date of the person's first discharge or
release from such service after January 31, 1955;"

(b) Section 201 (2) (A) of such Act (38 U. S. C., sec. 911 (2) (A))
is hereby amended by striking out "during the basic service period"
and inserting in lieu thereof "during the period beginning on June
27, 1950, and ending on January 31, 1955;"

(c) Section 212 (c) of such Act (38 U. S. C., sec. 917 (c)) is hereby
amended by striking out "during the basic service period" each time
it occurs and inserting in lieu thereof each time "prior to February 1,
1955;"

(d) Section 213 of such Act (38 U. S. C., sec. 918) is hereby amended
to read as follows:
"EXPIRATION OF ALL EDUCATION AND TRAINING"

"Sec. 213. No education or training shall be afforded an eligible veteran under this title beyond eight years after either his discharge or release from active service or the end of his basic service period, whichever is earlier, and in no event shall education or training be afforded under this title after January 31, 1965."

(e) Section 214 (a) of such Act (38 U. S. C., sec. 919 (a)) is hereby amended by striking out "the basic service period" and inserting in lieu thereof "his basic service period".

Sec. 2. The amendments made by this Act shall take effect as of January 31, 1955.

Approved February 15, 1955.

Public Law 8

AN ACT

To amend the wheat marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (e) of section 334 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1334 (e)), is amended, beginning with the 1955 crop of wheat, to read as follows:

"(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Secretary shall increase the farm marketing quotas and acreage allotments for the 1955 crop of wheat for farms located in counties in the States of Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota designated by the Secretary as counties which (1) are capable of producing class II durum wheat and (2) have produced such wheat for commercial food products during one or more of the ten years 1945 through 1954: Provided, That the increase in the wheat acreage allotment for any farm shall not exceed the difference between the acreage of cropland on the farm suitable for the production of wheat and the wheat acreage allotment, if any, determined without regard to this subsection, and the increase in allotment shall be conditioned upon the production thereon of class II durum wheat. The increase in wheat acreage allotments authorized by this subsection shall be in addition to the National, State, and county wheat acreage allotments, and the acreage of class II durum wheat thereon shall not be considered in establishing future State, county, and farm acreage allotments."

Approved February 19, 1955.

Public Law 9

AN ACT

To adjust the salaries of judges of United States courts, United States attorneys, Members of Congress, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 5 of title 28, United States Code, relating to the Chief Justice of the United States and to the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, is amended by striking out "$25,500" and substituting therefor "$35,500", and by striking out "$25,000" and substituting therefor "$35,000".

Judicial and Congressional salaries.

62 Stat. 870.
(b) Section 44 (d) of title 28, United States Code, relating to circuit judges, is amended by striking out "$17,500" and substituting therefor "$25,500".

c) Section 135 of title 28, United States Code, relating to district judges, is amended by striking out "$15,000" and substituting therefor "$22,500", and by striking out "$15,500" and substituting therefor "$23,000".

d) Section 173 of title 28, United States Code, relating to judges of the Court of Claims, is amended by striking out "$17,500" and substituting therefor "$25,500".

e) Section 213 of title 28, United States Code, relating to judges of the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals, is amended by striking out "$17,500" and substituting therefor "$25,500".

(f) Section 252 of title 28, United States Code, relating to judges of the Customs Court, is amended by striking out "$15,000" and substituting therefor "$22,500".

g) The first paragraph of section 4 of the Act approved June 6, 1900 (31 Stat. 322; 48 U. S. C., sec. 101), as amended, relating to the District Court for the District of Alaska, is amended by striking out "$15,000" and substituting therefor "$22,500".

(h) Section 7443 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, relating to judges of the Tax Court of the United States, is amended to read as follows:

"(c) Salary: Each judge shall receive salary at the rate of $22,500 per annum, to be paid in monthly installments."

(i) (1) Article 67 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, relating to judges of the Court of Military Appeals, is amended by striking out "$17,500" and substituting therefor "$25,500".

(2) Such article is further amended by adding at the end of subdivision (a) (1) thereof the following: "Each judge shall, upon his certificate, be paid by the Secretary of Defense all necessary traveling expenses, and also his reasonable maintenance expenses actually incurred, not exceeding $15 per day, while attending court or transacting official business at a place other than his official station. The official station of such judges for such purpose shall be the District of Columbia."

Sec. 2. (a) Section 508 of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 508. Salaries

"The Attorney General shall fix the annual salaries of United States attorneys, assistant United States attorneys, and attorneys appointed under section 503 of this title within the following limitations:

"United States attorneys—not less than $12,000 or more than $20,000; and

"Assistant United States attorneys and attorneys appointed under section 503 of this title—not more than $15,000."

(b) The salaries of United States attorneys and assistant United States attorneys for the districts of Alaska, Canal Zone, and the Virgin Islands are subject to the provisions of section 508 of title 28, United States Code.

Sec. 3. (a) The compensation of the Deputy Attorney General shall be at the rate of $21,000 per annum.

(b) The compensation of the Solicitor General shall be at the rate of $20,500 per annum.

(c) The compensation of each Assistant Attorney General, other than the Administrative Assistant Attorney General, shall be at the rate of $20,000 per annum.
Sec. 4. (a) Section 601 (a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(a) The compensation of Senators, Representatives in Congress, Delegates from the Territories, and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico shall be at the rate of $22,500 per annum each; and the compensation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be at the rate of $35,000 per annum."

(b) Section 601 (b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended (relative to expense allowances of Members of Congress), is hereby repealed.

(c) Section 104 of title 3 of the United States Code (relating to the compensation of the Vice President) is amended by striking out "$30,000" and substituting therefor "$35,000".

Sec. 5. The provisions of this Act shall take effect on March 1, 1955. Approved March 2, 1955.

Public Law 10

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the National Housing Act, as amended.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 217 of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out "$1,500,000,000, except that with the approval of the President such aggregate amount may be increased by not to exceed $500,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$3,500,000,000".

Approved March 11, 1955.

Public Law 11

AN ACT

To authorize personnel of the Armed Forces to train for, attend, and participate in the Second Pan-American Games, the Seventh Olympic Winter Games, Games of the XVI Olympiad, future Pan-American Games and Olympic Games, and certain other international amateur sports competitions, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of July 1, 1947 (Public Law 139, Eightieth Congress; 61 Stat. 243), is hereby amended to read as follows: That as used in this Act, the term 'Secretary' means the Secretary of Defense, and, with respect to the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a part of the Navy, the Secretary of the Treasury, as the case may be.

"Sec. 2. (a) The Secretary concerned is authorized (1) to permit personnel of the Armed Forces to train for, attend, and participate in the Second Pan-American Games, the Seventh Olympic Winter Games, the Games of the XVI Olympiad, future Pan-American Games and Olympic Games, and (2) subject to the limitation contained in subsection (b) herein, to permit personnel of the Armed Forces to train for, attend, and participate in other international amateur sports competition not specified in (1) above, if the Secretary of State determines that the interests of the United States will be served by participation therein.

"(b) The Secretary of Defense shall, not later than thirty days prior to the commitment of personnel pursuant to the authority contained in subsection (a) (2) hereof, furnish to the Committees on Armed Forces, Participation in Olympic Games, etc. Report to Congress.
Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report setting forth the details of the proposed participation by personnel of the Armed Forces in international amateur sports competition.

"(c) Subject to the limitations contained in section 3 of this Act, the Secretary concerned may spend such funds and acquire and utilize such supplies, material, and equipment as he determines to be necessary to provide training of personnel of the Armed Forces for such games, to provide for their attendance at and participation in such games, and for training of animals of the Armed Forces for, and their attendance at and participation in, such games.

"Sec. 3. (a) There may be expended, for the participation of members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps in the activities covered by this Act, not more than $800,000 during each four-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, to be apportioned among the military departments as prescribed by the Secretary of Defense.

"(b) There may be expended, for the participation of members of the Coast Guard in the activities covered by this Act, not more than $100,000 during each four-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act.

"(c) Appropriations available to the Department of Defense and the Department of the Treasury, as the case may be, may be utilized to carry out the purposes of this Act.

"Sec. 4. Nothing in this Act shall authorize the payment of allowances at rates in excess of those fixed for participation in other military or naval activities.

"Sec. 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, (a) no member of the uniformed services shall be entitled to the travel or transportation allowances authorized by section 303 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended, for any period during which his expenses for travel or transportation are being paid by the agency sponsoring his participation in the games and competitions authorized by this Act, and (b) no member of the uniformed services without dependents shall be entitled to receive the basic allowances for subsistence and quarters authorized by sections 301 and 302 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended, for any period during which such member is subsisted and quartered by the agency sponsoring his participation in the games and competitions as authorized by this Act."

Approved March 14, 1955.

Public Law 12

AN ACT

Relating to the regulation of nets in Alaska waters.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last sentence of section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act for the protection and regulation of the fisheries of Alaska", approved June 26, 1906, as amended (48 U. S. C., sec. 233), is hereby amended to read as follows: "It shall be unlawful to lay or set any seine or net of any kind within one hundred yards of any other seine, net, or other fishing appliance which is being or which has been laid or set in any of the waters of Alaska, or to drive or to construct any trap or any other fixed fishing appliance, except a set gill net, stake gill net, or anchored gill net, within six hundred yards laterally or within one hundred yards endwise of any other trap or fixed fishing appliance."

Approved March 16, 1955.
Public Law 13

JOINT RESOLUTION

CHAPTER 13

Making an additional appropriation for the Department of Justice for the fiscal year 1955, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, the following sum:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LEGAL ACTIVITIES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

FEES AND EXPENSES OF WITNESSES

For an additional amount for "Fees and expenses of witnesses", $710,000.

Approved March 21, 1955.

Public Law 14

AN ACT

CHAPTER 14

To repeal Public Law 820, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 1098), entitled "An Act to provide a revolving fund for the purchase of agricultural commodities and raw materials to be processed in occupied areas and sold."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 820, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 1098), entitled "An Act to provide a revolving fund for the purchase of agricultural commodities and raw materials to be processed in occupied areas and sold", is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 1955.


Public Law 15

AN ACT

CHAPTER 15

To amend the joint resolution of March 25, 1953, relating to electrical or mechanical office equipment for the use of Members, officers, and committees of the House of Representatives.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (c) of the first section of the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to authorize the Clerk of the House of Representatives to furnish certain electrical or mechanical office equipment for the use of Members, officers, and committees of the House of Representatives", approved March 25, 1953 (2 U. S. C., sec. 112a (c)), is amended by striking out "not more than two of each of"

Sec. 2. The first section of such joint resolution is further amended by adding after subsection (c) thereof the following new subsection:

"(d) Except in case of electric typewriters, not more than two of each of the general types of equipment described in subsection (c) may be furnished under this joint resolution for use in the office of a Member, officer, or committee."

Approved March 25, 1955.
Public Law 16

AN ACT

CHAPTER 16

March 25, 1955

To further amend the Reorganization Act of 1949, as amended, so that such Act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before June 1, 1957.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (b) of section 5 of the Reorganization Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 205), as amended by the Act of February 11, 1953 (67 Stat. 4), is hereby further amended by striking out "April 1, 1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 1, 1957".

Approved March 25, 1955.

Public Law 17

AN ACT

CHAPTER 17

March 28, 1955

To eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate or House of Representatives.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no person who, upon appointment as an employee of the Senate or House of Representatives, has subscribed or hereafter subscribes to the oath of office required by section 1757 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended, shall be required to renew such oath so long as the service of such person as an employee of the Senate or House of Representatives is continuous.

Approved March 28, 1955.

Public Law 18

AN ACT

CHAPTER 18

March 30, 1955

To provide a one-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain excise-tax rates.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Tax Rate Extension Act of 1955".

SEC. 2. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CORPORATE NORMAL-TAX RATE.

Section 11 (b) (relating to corporate normal tax), section 821 (a) (1) (A) (relating to mutual insurance companies other than interinsurers), and section 821 (b) (1) (relating to interinsurers) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are hereby amended as follows:

(1) By striking out "APRIL 1, 1955" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "APRIL 1, 1956";

(2) By striking out "April 1, 1955" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "April 1, 1956";

(3) By striking out "MARCH 31, 1955" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "MARCH 31, 1956";

(4) By striking out "March 31, 1955" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "March 31, 1956".

SEC. 3. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CERTAIN EXCISE TAX RATES.

(a) Extension of Rates.—The following provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are hereby amended by striking out "April 1, 1955" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "April 1, 1956"—
(1) section 4041 (c) (relating to special fuels);  
(2) section 4061 (relating to motor vehicles);  
(3) section 4081 (relating to gasoline);  
(4) section 5001 (a) (1) (relating to distilled spirits);  
(5) section 5001 (a) (3) (relating to imported perfumes containing distilled spirits);  
(6) section 5022 (relating to cordials and liqueurs containing wine);  
(7) section 5041 (b) (relating to wines);  
(8) section 5051 (a) (relating to beer); and  
(9) section 5701 (c) (1) (relating to cigarettes).  

(b) Technical Amendments.—The following provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are hereby amended as follows:

(1) Section 5063 (relating to floor stocks refunds on distilled spirits, wines, cordials, and beer) is amended by striking out “April 1, 1955” each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “April 1, 1956”, and by striking out “May 1, 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “May 1, 1956”.  
(2) Section 5134 (a) (3) (relating to drawback in the case of distilled spirits) is amended by striking out “March 31, 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “March 31, 1956”.  
(3) Subsections (a) and (b) of section 5707 (relating to floor stocks refunds on cigarettes) are amended by striking out “April 1, 1955” each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “April 1, 1956”, and by striking out “July 1, 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “July 1, 1956”.  
(4) Subsections (a) and (b) of section 6412 (relating to floor stocks refunds on motor vehicles and gasoline) are amended by striking out “April 1, 1955” each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “April 1, 1956”, and by striking out “July 1, 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “July 1, 1956”.  

Section 497 of the Revenue Act of 1951 (relating to refunds on articles from foreign trade zones), as amended by the Excise Tax Reduction Act of 1954, is hereby amended by inserting after “Internal Revenue Code” each place it appears “of 1939 (or section 5701 (c), 5001 (a), 5022, 5041 (b), or 5051 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954)”; and by striking out “April 1, 1955” each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “April 1, 1956”.  

Approved March 30, 1955.

Public Law 19  
AN ACT  
To amend the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, so as to permit the disposal thereunder of Plancor Numbered 877 at Baytown, Texas, and certain tank cars.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

“Sec. 25. (a) Notwithstanding the second sentence of section 7 (a), the period for receipt of proposals for the purchase of the Government-owned rubber-producing facility at Baytown, Texas, known as Plancor Numbered 877, shall not expire until the end of the thirty-day period which begins on the date of the enactment of this section.

Rubber facility.  
67 Stat. 408.  

P. l.  877,  
Baytown, Tex.  
“(b) If one or more proposals are received for the purchase of Plancon Numbered 877 within the time period specified in subsection (a), the Commission, notwithstanding the expiration of the period for negotiation specified in section 7(f), shall negotiate with those submitting the proposals for a period of not to exceed sixty days for the purpose of entering into a definite contract of sale.

“(c) Within ten days after the termination of the actual negotiation period referred to in subsection (b), the Commission shall prepare and submit to the Congress a report containing, with respect to the disposal under this section of Plancon Numbered 877, the information described in paragraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, and paragraph (8) of section 9(a). Unless the contract is disapproved by either House of the Congress by a resolution prior to the expiration of thirty days of continuous session (as defined in section 9(c)) of the Congress following the date upon which the report is submitted to it, upon the expiration of such thirty-day period the contract shall become fully effective and the Commission shall proceed to carry it out, and transfer of possession of the facility sold shall be made as soon as practicable but in any event within thirty days after the expiration of such thirty-day period. The failure to complete transfer of possession within thirty days after the expiration of the period for congressional review shall not give rise to or be the basis of rescission of the contract of sale.

“(d) If, upon termination of the transfer period provided for in subsection (c), no contract for the sale of Plancon Numbered 877 has become effective, the operating agency last designated by the President shall, as promptly as possible consistent with sound operating procedures, take Plancon out of production and place it in adequate standby condition under the provisions of section 8 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953: Provided, That the provisions in said section relating to the time for placing facilities in standby condition shall not apply to Plancon Numbered 877.”

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3(d) of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”) before submission to the Congress of its report relative to Plancon Numbered 877, shall submit it to the Attorney General, who shall, within seven days after receiving the report, advise the Commission whether, in his opinion, the proposed disposition, if carried out, will violate the antitrust laws.

Sec. 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 14 and 22 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, the Rubber Act of 1948, as amended, is hereby extended with respect to the rubber-producing facilities covered by this Act, to the close of the day of transfer of possession of Plancon Numbered 877 to a purchaser in accordance with the provisions of section 25 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act: Provided, That if no such transfer is made, the Rubber Act of 1948, as amended, is hereby extended to the close of the day upon which Plancon Numbered 877 is placed in standby condition pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 20 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, the Commission established by that Act shall cease to exist at the close of the thirtieth day following the termination of the transfer period provided for in section 25(c) of that Act, unless no sale of Plancon Numbered 877 is recommended by the Commission pursuant to section 25(c) of that Act, in which event the Commission shall cease to exist at the close of the one hundred and thirtieth day following the date of enactment of this Act.
SEC. 5. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, disposal of Plancor Numbered 877 shall be fully subject to all the provisions of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953 and such criteria as have been established by the Commission in handling disposal of other Government-owned rubber producing facilities under that Act: Provided, That the provisions of sections 7 (j), 7 (k), 9 (d), 9 (f), 10, 11, 15, and 24 of that Act shall not apply to the disposal of Plancor Numbered 877. As promptly as practicable following the date of transfer of possession of Plancor Numbered 877 to a purchaser under this Act, the operating agency last designated by the President shall offer for sale to such purchaser the end products produced at such plant and held in inventory for Government account on the day of such transfer of possession, together with the feedstocks then located at such plant or purchased by the operating agency for use at such plant. Sale of such end products shall be made at the Government sales price prevailing on the business day next preceding the date of transfer of possession of such plant. Sale of such feedstocks shall be made at not less than their cost to the Government. In the event the purchaser declines to purchase such end products or feedstocks when first offered to it by the operating agency, they may be thereafter disposed of in such manner as the operating agency deems advisable. In the event Plancor Numbered 877 is not sold under the provisions of this Act, any end products produced at such plant and held in inventory for Government account on the day such plant is placed in standby condition pursuant to section 25 (d) of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, as added by this Act, and any feedstocks then located at such plant or purchased by the operating agency for use at such plant shall be disposed of in such manner as the operating agency deems advisable, at the prevailing market price for such end products and feedstocks.

SEC. 6. Notwithstanding any provision of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953 and notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Commission or, after it ceases to exist, such agency of the Government as the President may designate, may, after securing the advice of the Attorney General as to whether the proposed lease or sale would tend to create or maintain a situation inconsistent with the antitrust laws, enter into leases or contracts of sale for all or any number of 448 pressure tank cars (ICC Classification ICC-104AW) for which the Commission invited proposals to purchase pursuant to that Act. Each such lease may be for such duration and each such lease or contract of sale may be made on such terms (including type of use) as the Commission or such other agency deems advisable in the public interest: Provided, That each such lease or contract of sale shall contain, among other provisions, a national security clause, and each such lease shall contain provisions for the recapture of the tank cars leased by the Government and the termination of the lease, if the President determines that the national interest so requires. The rental or price for any such tank car or cars shall be an amount which the Commission or such agency determines to be the maximum amount obtainable in the public interest, but not less than fair value as determined by the Commission. Any of such tank cars not under lease or contract of sale to non-Federal lessees or purchasers may be transferred without charge by the Commission or such agency to any Government department or agency upon request, for such use as the Commission or such agency deems advisable and subject to national security and recapture provisions of the type hereinabove provided for in this section running in favor of the Commission or other agency transferring the tank car or cars.

Disposal criteria.

50 USC app. 1941 note.

End products and feedstocks.

Tank cars.

Leases or contracts.

National security clause, etc.

Transfer of tank cars to Gov't. agencies.
Any of such tank cars not sold or under lease or transferred as hereinabove provided shall be placed and maintained in adequate standby condition pursuant to the provisions of section 8 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953.

Sec. 7. The provisions of this Act shall not be applicable to the disposal of any Government-owned rubber-producing facilities other than Plancor Numbered 877 and 448 pressure tank cars (ICC Classification-ICC 104A-VV); and all action taken pursuant to the provisions of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953 prior to the enactment of this Act shall be governed by the provisions of that Act as it existed prior to the enactment of this Act and shall have the same force and effect as if this Act had not been enacted.

Approved March 31, 1955.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Career Incentive Act of 1955".

SEC. 2. The Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 804), as amended, is further amended as follows

(1) Section 201 (a) is amended by striking out the tables therein and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

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### CHAPTER 20

To provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances.

March 31, 1955
(2) Section 201 is further amended by redesignating subsections "(d)" and "(e)" as "(c)" and "(d)", respectively.

(3) Section 201 is further amended by adding the following new subsections:

"(e) Aviation cadets enlisted or appointed under the Army Aviation Cadet Act (55 Stat. 239), as amended, or under the Naval Aviation Cadet Act of 1942 (56 Stat. 737), as amended, are entitled to monthly pay at the rate of 50 per centum of the basic pay of a commissioned officer in pay grade O-1 with under two cumulative years of service.

"(f) Any officer serving on active duty in the grade of lieutenant general or vice admiral shall, in addition to the pay and allowances to which he is entitled by the provisions of this Act, be entitled to an additional increment of basic pay in an amount of $100 per month. Any officer serving on active duty in the grade of general or admiral shall, in addition to the pay and allowances to which he is entitled by the provisions of this Act, be entitled to an additional increment of basic pay in an amount of $200 per month. The additional increments provided by this subsection shall not be considered a part of the active duty pay or of the monthly basic pay of these grades for the purpose of the computation of retired pay."

(4) Section 204 (a) is amended by—

(A) striking out the word "part" in clause (8) and inserting the word "clause" in lieu thereof;

(B) striking out the word "and" at the end of clause (8);

(C) striking out the period at the end of clause (9) and inserting a semicolon in lieu thereof; and
(D) adding the following new clauses:

"(10) duty as low-pressure chamber inside observer:

"(11) duty as human acceleration or deceleration experimental subject; and

"(12) duty involving the use of helium-oxygen for a breathing mixture in the execution of deep-sea diving."

(5) Section 204 (b) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) For the performance of hazardous duty as prescribed in clause (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this section, a member of a uniformed service qualifying for incentive pay thereunder is entitled to pay at a monthly rate as follows:

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(6) Section 204 (c) is amended to read as follows:

"(c) Officers and enlisted persons of the uniformed services who are qualified for the incentive pay authorized under subsection (a) are entitled to be paid at the rate of $110 and $55 per month, respectively, for the performance of any hazardous duty described in clauses (3) to (12) of subsection (a)."

(7) Section 204 (e) is repealed and subsection "(f)" is redesignated as Subsection "(g)".

(8) Section 204 (a) is amended by striking out the figures "$5" and "$30" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "$5.50" and "$33", respectively.

(9) Section 205 (b) is amended by striking out the figure "$5" and inserting the figure "$5.50" in lieu thereof.

(10) Section 205 (c) is amended by adding the following at the end thereof: "However, receipt of incentive pay under that section does not bar the member from entitlement to $5.50 for each hour or fraction thereof in addition to basic pay, as authorized by subsection (b) of this section."

(11) The last sentence of section 303 (a) is amended by striking out the figure "$9" in clause (2) and inserting in lieu thereof the figure "$12".

(12) Section 203 (c) is amended by inserting the following at the end of the first sentence thereof: "Under such regulations as may be approved by the Secretary concerned, a member of a uniformed service whose dependents are authorized to move and actually move in connection with his permanent change of station shall be entitled to a dislocation allowance equal to his monthly basic allowance for quarters."
However, the member shall be entitled to the payment of a dislocation allowance for not more than one permanent change of station during any fiscal year, except on the finding of the Secretary of the Department concerned that the exigencies of the service require more than one such change of station during any fiscal year. This limitation upon the payment of a dislocation allowance shall not apply to members of the uniformed services ordered to service schools as a permanent change of station. In addition, this limitation shall not be applicable in time of war or national emergency declared after the effective date of this amendatory Act. A member is not entitled to payment of a dislocation allowance when ordered from home to first duty station or from last duty station to home.

(13) Section 303 (c) of the Career Compensation Act is amended by adding at the end of such subsection the following: "In lieu of transportation of baggage and household effects, a member of a uniformed service who transports a house trailer or mobile dwelling within the continental United States for use as a residence and who would otherwise be entitled to transportation of baggage and household effects, under this section, shall under regulations prescribed by the Secretary concerned be entitled to a reasonable allowance, not to exceed 20 cents per mile, or to the dislocation allowance authorized in this section, whichever he shall elect."

(14) Section 508 is further amended to read as follows:

"Cadets at the United States Military Academy, midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy, cadets at the United States Air Force Academy, and cadets at the Coast Guard Academy shall be entitled to receive pay at the rate of 50 per centum of the basic pay established for a commissioned officer in pay grade O–1 with under two cumulative years' service, and to receive allowances as now or hereafter provided by law for midshipmen in the Navy, and to transportation, including reimbursement of traveling expenses, while traveling under orders as a cadet or midshipman."

(15) Section 202 (d) is amended by striking out the period at the end thereof, inserting a comma and adding the following: "including retired enlisted men advanced to commissioned officer rank on the retired list by virtue of the Act of May 7, 1932 (Public Law 123, Seventy-second Congress)."

SEC. 3. Section 4 of the Naval Aviation Cadet Act of 1942, as amended (34 U. S. C. 850c), is amended by—

(1) striking out the first sentence; and

(2) amending the second sentence to read as follows: "Aviation cadets, while on active duty, are entitled to the same allowances for subsistence now or hereafter provided for officers of the Navy, and shall, while on active duty, be furnished quarters, medical care, and hospitalization, and have issued to them uniforms, clothing, and equipment at Government expense."

SEC. 4. Section 4 of the Army Aviation Cadet Act, as amended (10 U. S. C. 303, 304, 304b), is amended by—

(1) striking out the first sentence; and

(2) amending the second sentence to read as follows: "Aviation cadets, while on active duty, are entitled to the same allowances for subsistence now or hereafter provided for officers of the Army, and shall, while on active duty, be furnished quarters, medical care, and hospitalization, and have issued to them uniforms, clothing, and equipment at Government expense."

SEC. 5. Any person now or hereafter entitled to retired pay, retirement pay, retainer pay, or equivalent pay (including persons entitled to temporary disability retirement pay) computed at the rates prescribed in section 201 (a) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949.
shall be entitled to have his pay computed at the rates prescribed by
that section, as amended by this Act. For the purposes of that com-
putation, an officer with less than three years of service for pay pur-
poses, or a warrant officer or an enlisted person with less than two
years of service for pay purposes, retired for physical disability or
placed on the temporary disability retired list, shall have those rates
increased by 6 per cent.

Sec. 6. Members and former members of the uniformed services who
are entitled to receive retired pay, retirement pay, retainer pay, or
equivalent pay under laws in effect prior to October 1, 1949, shall be
to an increase of 6 per cent of the retired pay, retirement
pay, retainer pay, or equivalent pay, to which they are now entitled.

Sec. 7. This Act shall become effective on the first day of the month
following the date of enactment of this Act.

Sec. 8. No person, active or retired, in any of the uniformed ser-
vice, including a reserve component thereof and the National Guard,
shall suffer by reason of this Act any reduction in basic or retired
pay to which he was entitled upon the effective date of this Act.

Approved March 31, 1955.

Public Law 21

Chapter 21

AN ACT

Directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco
for the 1955-1956 marketing year, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding
any other provision of law—

(1) The Secretary of Agriculture shall, within ten days after
 enactment of this Act, redetermine the national marketing quota
 for burley tobacco for the 1955-1956 marketing year on the basis
 of the latest available statistics of the Federal Government, appor-
tion such quotas among States, convert the State quotas to State
acreage allotments, and allot the same among farms pursuant to
and in accordance with applicable provisions of law: Provided,
that burley tobacco marketing quotas and acreage allotments
heretofore established for the 1955-1956 marketing year shall not
be effective, but the preliminary burley tobacco acreage allotment
for any farm determined under section 725.616 of the burley and
flue-cured tobacco marketing quota regulations, 1955-1956 market-
ing year, issued by the Secretary of Agriculture (19 Federal
Register 3549), shall not be reduced by more than 25 per cent
(except for reductions under section 725.619 of said regulations);

(2) Burley tobacco farm acreage allotments of seven-tenths
of an acre or less heretofore determined for the 1955-1956 market-
ing year when redetermined pursuant to paragraph (1) of this
Act may be reduced but not more than one-tenth acre: Provided,
however, That no allotment of five-tenths of an acre or less shall
be reduced under this section;

(3) Within twenty days after the issuance of the proclamation of
the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955-
1956 marketing year as redetermined pursuant to paragraph (1)
of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a refer-
endum of farmers who were engaged in the production of the
1954 crop of burley tobacco to determine whether such farmers
are in favor of or opposed to such redetermined quota. If more
than one-third of the farmers voting in the referendum oppose
such redetermined quota, the Secretary of Agriculture shall, within thirty days after the date of the referendum, proclaim the result of the referendum and (1) no quota for burley tobacco for the 1955-1956 marketing year shall be effective thereafter, and (2) no price support shall be made available on the 1955 crop of burley tobacco.

Sec. 2. Public Law 528, Eighty-second Congress (66 Stat. 597), is hereby amended, effective for the 1956 and subsequent crops of burley tobacco, to read as follows: “The farm acreage allotment for burley tobacco for any year shall not be less than the smallest of (1) the allotment established for the farm for the immediately preceding year, (2) five-tenths of an acre, or (3) 10 per centum of the cropland: Provided, however, That no allotment of seven-tenths of an acre or less shall be reduced more than one-tenth of an acre in any one year. The additional acreage required under this Act shall be in addition to the State acreage allotments and the production on such acreage shall be in addition to the national marketing quota.”

Sec. 3. Section 313 (g) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding immediately after the first sentence thereof a new sentence to read as follows: “Any acreage of tobacco harvested in excess of the farm acreage allotment for the year 1955, or any subsequent crop shall not be taken into account in establishing State and farm acreage allotments.”

Sec. 4. The last sentence of section 313 (g) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding in the last sentence thereof immediately following the language “if proof of the disposition of any amount of tobacco is not furnished as required by the Secretary” the language “or if any producer on the farm files, or aids or acquiesces in the filing of, any false report with respect to the acreage of tobacco grown on the farm required by regulations issued pursuant to this Act”.

Sec. 5. Section 314 (a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is hereby amended, effective July 1, 1955, with respect to flue-cured tobacco, and October 1, 1955, with respect to other kinds of tobacco, by striking out the figure “50” therein and inserting in lieu thereof the figure “75”.

Approved March 31, 1955.

Public Law 22

AN ACT

To amend the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the “Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1955”.

Sec. 2. Section 413 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 413. A person appointed as a Foreign Service officer shall receive basic salary at one of the rates of the class to which he is appointed which the Secretary shall, taking into consideration his age, qualifications, and experience, determine to be appropriate for him to receive.”

Sec. 3. Section 443 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 443. The President may, under such regulations as he may prescribe, establish rates of salary differential, not exceeding 25 per centum of basic salary, for Foreign Service officers, Reserve officers, and staff officers and employees assigned to posts involving extraor-
dinarily difficult living conditions, excessive physical hardship, or notably unhealthful conditions. The Secretary shall prepare and maintain a list of such posts."

Sec. 4. Section 517 of such Act is amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "A person who has not served in class 6 shall not be eligible for appointment as a Foreign Service officer of classes 1 to 5, inclusive, unless he has passed comprehensive mental and physical examinations prescribed by the Board of Examiners for the Foreign Service to determine his fitness and aptitude for the work of the Service; demonstrated his loyalty to the Government of the United States and his attachment to the principles of the Constitution; and rendered at least four years of actual service prior to appointment in a position of responsibility in the service of a Government agency, or agencies, except that, if he has reached the age of thirty-one years, the requirement as to service may be reduced to three years. After the date of enactment of the Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1955 and until otherwise provided by Act of Congress, not more than one thousand two hundred and fifty persons who have not served in class 6 may be appointed to classes 1 to 5, inclusive; of such persons, not more than forty may be appointed who were not employed on March 1, 1955, in the Department, including its Foreign Service Reserve and Foreign Service Staff personnel, and who have not also served in a position of responsibility in the Department, or the Service, or both, for the required period prior to appointment."

Sec. 5. Section 522 of such Act is amended by striking out in paragraphs (1) and (2) the word "four" wherever it appears therein and inserting the word "five" in lieu thereof; and by striking out in paragraph (1) the phrase "of a specialized character."

Sec. 6. (a) Section 571 (a) of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 571. (a) Any officer or employee of the Service may, in the discretion of the Secretary, be assigned or detailed for duty in any Government agency, such an assignment or combination of assignments to be for a period of not more than four years, except that under special circumstances the Secretary may extend this four-year period for not more than four additional years."

(b) Section 571 is further amended by adding at the end thereof a new subsection (e) which shall read as follows:

"(e) The salary of an officer or employee assigned pursuant to the terms of this section shall be paid from appropriations made available for the payment of salaries of officers and employees of the Service. Such appropriations may be reimbursed, however, when the Secretary enters into reimbursement agreements with heads of Government agencies for all or any part of the salaries of officers or employees assigned to such agencies and payment is received pursuant thereto, or when an officer or employee of the Service is assigned to a position the salary of which is payable from other funds available to the Department."

Sec. 7. Sections 633 and 634 of such Act, and the headings thereto under "Part D", are hereby repealed and the following headings and sections are hereby enacted in lieu thereof:

"SELECTION-OUT"

"SEC. 633. (a) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations concerning—

(1) the maximum period during which any Foreign Service officer below the class of career minister shall be permitted to remain in class without promotion; and
“(2) the standard of performance which any such officer must maintain to remain in the Service.
“(b) Any Foreign Service officer below the class of career minister who does not receive a promotion to a higher class within the specified period or who fails to meet the standard of performance required of officers of his class shall be retired from the Service and receive benefits in accordance with the provisions of section 634.

"SELECTION-OUT BENEFITS

"SEC. 634. (a) Any Foreign Service officer in classes 1, 2, or 3 who is retired from the Service in accordance with the provisions of section 633 shall receive retirement benefits in accordance with the provisions of section 821.
“(b) Any Foreign Service officer in classes 4 or 5 who is retired from the Service in accordance with the provisions of section 633 shall receive

“(1) one-twelfth of a year's salary at his then current salary rate for each year of service and proportionately for a fraction of a year, but not exceeding a total of one year’s salary at his then current salary rate, payable without interest, in three equal installments on the 1st day of January following the officer’s retirement and on the two anniversaries of this date immediately following; and

“(2) a refund of the contributions made to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund, with interest thereon at 4 per centum, compounded annually, except that in lieu of such refund such officer may elect to receive retirement benefits on reaching the age of sixty-two, in accordance with the provisions of section 821. In the event that an officer who was separated from class 4 and who has elected to receive retirement benefits dies before reaching the age of sixty-two, his death shall be considered a death in service within the meaning of section 832. In the event that an officer who was separated from class 5 and who has elected to receive retirement benefits dies before reaching the age of sixty-two, the total amount of his contributions made to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund, with interest thereon at 4 per centum, compounded annually, shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of section 841.

“(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3477 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 203) or the provisions of any other law, a Foreign Service officer who is retired in accordance with the provisions of section 633 shall have the right to assign to any person or corporation the whole or any part of the benefits receivable by him pursuant to paragraph (b) (1) of this section. Any such assignment shall be on a form approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and a copy thereof shall be deposited with the Secretary of the Treasury by the officer executing the assignment.”

"SEC. 8 (a) Section 852 (a) (2) of such Act is amended by inserting “Air Force,” after “Marine Corps,”.

(b) Section 852 (b) of such Act is amended by deleting the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and adding the following: “, except that no special contributions shall be required for periods of active military or naval service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard of the United States prior to becoming a participant.”

(c) A special contribution to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund made by any participant on or after April 1, 1948
for the purpose of obtaining service credit in accordance with the provisions of section 852 (a) (2) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 for periods of active military or naval service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard of the United States shall be refunded. Such refund shall not include any interest covering the period such special contribution, or any part thereof, was on deposit in the fund.

Sec. 9. (a) Section 853 of such Act is amended by striking out the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and adding the following clause: "but no such extra credit for service at such unhealthful posts shall be credited to any participant who shall have been paid a salary differential in accordance with section 443, as amended, for such service performed subsequent to the date of enactment of the Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1955."

(b) Section 853 is further amended by striking out the last sentence of that section.

Sec. 10. (a) Section 901 (2) of such Act is amended by striking out the phrase "his post of assignment" at the end of paragraph (ii) of that section and substituting in lieu thereof the phrase "any post of assignment abroad or at a post of assignment in the continental United States between assignments to posts abroad".

(b) Section 901 (2) is further amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph (iv) which shall read as follows:

"(iv) that extraordinary and necessary expenses, not otherwise compensated for, must be incurred by an officer or employee of the Service, by reason of his service abroad, in providing for adequate elementary and secondary education for his dependents; allowances under this subparagraph for any post shall not exceed the cost of obtaining such educational services as are ordinarily provided without charge by the public schools of the United States plus, in those cases where adequate schools are not available at the post, board and room, and periodic transportation between the post and the nearest locality where adequate schools are available; if any such officer or employee employs a less expensive method of providing such education, any allowance paid to him shall be reduced accordingly; no allowance shall be paid under this subparagraph for a dependent for whom a travel allowance has been paid under section 911 (9).".

Sec. 11. Section 911 of such Act is amended by changing the period in paragraph (8) to a semicolon and by adding at the end of the section the following new paragraph:

"(9) the travel expenses incurred by an officer or employee of the Service who is assigned to a foreign post, in transporting dependents to and from United States ports of entry designated by the Secretary, to obtain an American secondary or college education, not to exceed one trip each way for each dependent for the purpose of obtaining each type of education.".

Sec. 12. Section 943 of such Act is amended by adding the phrase "and their dependents" after the words "United States" and before the comma, and again at the end of the section immediately before the period.

Sec. 13. Sections 432 (c), 804, and 864 of such Act are amended respectively as follows:

(1) Section 432 (c) is amended by striking out the phrase "or 634" in the third sentence thereof.

(2) Section 804 is amended by striking out "633.,"

(3) Section 864 is amended by striking out "634 (b)" at the end of the section and inserting "634 (c)" in lieu thereof.
Sect. 14. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Act, existing rules, regulations of or applicable to the Foreign Service of the United States shall remain in effect until revoked or rescinded or until modified or superseded by regulations made in accordance with the provisions of this Act, unless clearly inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

Approved April 5, 1955.

Public Law 23

CHAPTER 25

AN ACT Relating to the use of storage space in the Clark Hill Reservoir for the purpose of providing the city of McCormick, South Carolina, a regulated water supply.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief of Engineers is hereby authorized to contract with the city of McCormick, South Carolina, upon such terms and for such period not to exceed fifty years as he may deem reasonable for the use of storage space in the Clark Hill Reservoir for the purpose of providing said city a regulated water supply in an amount not to exceed six hundred acre-feet of water annually, and is authorized to grant to the city of McCormick at no cost easement over Government lands at Clark Hill for the sole purpose of constructing necessary pipeline and pumping station, and the project for Clark Hill Dam authorized by the Act entitled “An Act authorizing the construction of certain public works on rivers and harbors for flood control, and for other purposes”, approved December 22, 1944, is hereby modified accordingly: Provided, That all moneys received shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts: Provided further, That nothing in this Act shall affect water rights under State law.

Approved April 11, 1955.

Public Law 24

CHAPTER 26

AN ACT Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply supplemental appropriations (this Act may be cited as the “Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955”) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes, namely:

CHAPTER I

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses” for plant and animal disease and pest control, $650,000, to be apportioned for use pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for the
control of outbreaks of insects and plant diseases under the joint resolution approved May 9, 1938 (7 U. S. C. 148-148e), to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions.

Agricultural Conservation Program

The funds appropriated under this head in the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1954, shall remain available until December 31, 1955, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to make payments to farmers who carry out emergency wind erosion control measures under the 1955 agricultural conservation program, formulated under the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended, in counties designated by the Secretary of Agriculture as subject to damages by excessive wind erosion: Provided, That said funds may be expended without regard to the adjustments required under section 8 (e) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended (16 U. S. C. 590h (e)), and may be distributed among States and individual farmers without regard to any other provision of law: Provided further, That said funds may be used to reimburse the emergency fund of the President authorized by Public Law 875, Eighty-first Congress (42 U. S. C. 1855), for such funds as have been allocated to the Secretary of Agriculture for payments for the specific purposes authorized herein.

CHAPTER II
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Office of the Secretary

The Secretary of Commerce is hereby authorized to transfer not to exceed $650,000 to the appropriation “Salaries and expenses, Civil Aeronautics Administration”, and not to exceed $190,000 to the appropriation “Salaries and expenses, Weather Bureau”, from the following appropriations to the Department of Commerce:

“Export control, Bureau of Foreign Commerce”, fiscal year 1955;
“Maritime training, maritime activities”, fiscal year 1955;
“State marine schools, maritime activities”, fiscal year 1955;
“Ship mortgage-foreclosure or forfeiture contingencies, maritime activities”, fiscal year 1955;
“Testing and research laboratory, Bureau of Public Roads”; and
“Construction of laboratories, National Bureau of Standards”.

Civil Aeronautics Administration

Claims, Federal Airport Act

For an additional amount for “Claims, Federal Airport Act”, to remain available until expended as follows: Mercer County Airport, Trenton, New Jersey, not to exceed $110,854; to be derived by transfer from unobligated balances of amounts heretofore appropriated for “Claims, Federal Airport Act”.

Civil Aeronautics Board

Payments to air carriers

For an additional amount for “Payments to air carriers”, $8,900,000, to remain available until expended.
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MARITIME ACTIVITIES

OPERATING-DIFFERENTIAL SUBSIDIES

For an additional amount for "Operating-differential subsidies", $50,000,000, to remain available until expended.

REPAIR OF RESERVE FLEET FACILITIES

For expenses of repair and installation of mooring facilities and restoration of cathodic installations at reserve fleet locations, $970,000, to remain available until June 30, 1956.

REPAIR OF RESERVE FLEET VESSELS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

The limitation under this head in the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amount which may be advanced to the appropriation, "Salaries and expenses, maritime activities", is increased from "$150,000" to "$225,000".

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $400,000; and the limitation under this head in the Department of Commerce Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amount available for Reserve Fleet expenses is increased from "$6,460,000" to "$6,860,000".

BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS

For an additional amount for "Federal-aid highways", to remain available until expended, $95,000,000, which sum is a part of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1954.

FOREST HIGHWAYS

For an additional amount for "Forest highways", to remain available until expended, $85,000,000, which sum is a part of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1955.

PUBLIC LANDS HIGHWAYS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For payment of obligations incurred pursuant to the contract authorization granted by section 6 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 73), $875,000, which sum is a part of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1955.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $224,000, to be derived by transfer from the "Revolving fund, Small Business Administration", for administrative expenses in connection with activities financed under said fund.
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL FUNCTIONS

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

canal zone government

Operating Expenses

For an additional amount for “Operating expenses”, $230,000.

CHAPTER III

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

For additional amounts for the following appropriations of not to exceed the respective amounts stated:

“Claims”, Department of Defense, $4,320,000;
“Retired pay”, Department of Defense, $22,000,000;
“Military personnel, Army”, $150,000,000;
“Military personnel, Air Force”, $110,000,000; the foregoing amounts under this head to be derived by transfer from such appropriations available to the Department of Defense for obligation only during the fiscal year 1955 as may be designated by the Secretary of Defense with the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

AUDITED CLAIMS

Applicable current appropriations of the department concerned shall be available for the payment of claims certified by the Comptroller General to be otherwise due, in the amounts stated below, from the following appropriations:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

“Defense aid, ordnance and ordnance stores (allotment to War)”, fiscal years 1941–1946, $6,750;

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

“Pay, subsistence, and transportation, Navy”, fiscal year 1940, $278,444;
“Pay, subsistence, and transportation, Navy”, fiscal year 1943, $13,083.19;
“Maintenance, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts”, fiscal year 1943, $6,625.43;
“Maintenance, Bureau of Ships”, fiscal year 1946, $17,747.99;
“Fuel, Navy”, fiscal year 1948, $546.72; and
“Transportation of things, Navy”, fiscal year 1948, $6,472.31.

CHAPTER IV

FOREIGN OPERATIONS

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mutual Security

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS EXPANDED PROGRAM OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

For an additional amount for “Contributions to the United Nations
expanded program of technical assistance”, for United States contributions during the period ending June 30, 1955, $6,500,000.

The sums provided in the foregoing paragraphs shall be derived by transfer from the appropriation contained in Public Law 778, Eighty-third Congress, for assistance authorized by section 121 of Public Law 665, Eighty-third Congress.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF WASHINGTON

LIMITATION ON EXPENSES

The limitation under this head in the Export-Import Bank of Washington and Reconstruction Finance Corporation Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amount available for administrative expenses is increased from “$1,070,000” to “$1,125,000”.

CHAPTER V

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $85,000.

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $100,000; and the limitation under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amount available for travel expenses is increased from “$220,000” to “$230,000”.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

EXPENSES, GENERAL SUPPLY FUND

For an additional amount for “Expenses, general supply fund”, $200,000, to be derived by transfer from “Defense public works, community facilities”.

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $240,000.

SOO LOCKS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMISSION

For necessary expenses of the Commission in preparing, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of August 19, 1949 (63 Stat. 620), a comprehensive plan for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the building of the Soo Locks, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals, and transportation and not to exceed $20 per diem in lieu of subsistence for members serving without compensation, $15,000, to remain available until June 30, 1956.
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

For an additional amount for "Compensation and pensions", $240,000,000, to remain available until expended.

READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

For an additional amount for "Readjustment benefits", $155,000,000, to remain available until expended.

GRANTS TO THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

For an additional amount for "Grants to the Republic of the Philippines", $611,000.

CHAPTER VI

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

For an additional amount for "Management of lands and resources", $350,000.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

JONES POINT BRIDGE

For expenses necessary for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the construction of a bridge over the Potomac River pursuant to the provisions of the Act of August 30, 1954 (68 Stat. 963, 964); $600,000; to remain available until expended.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", for control of forest pests, $2,570,000.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

NATIONAL CAPITOL PLANNING COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, WASHINGTON REGIONAL MASS TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

For necessary expenses to enable the National Capital Planning Commission and the National Capital Regional Planning Council to jointly conduct a survey of the present and future mass transportation needs of the National Capital region as defined in the National Capital Planning Act of 1952 (66 Stat. 781), and to report their findings and recommendations to the President, including transportation expenses and not to exceed $15 per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 73b–2), for members of the Commission and Council serving without compensation, $200,000, to be immediately available and to remain available until June 30, 1956.
For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act of August 13, 1954 (68 Stat. 702), $10,000, to remain available until December 31, 1955.

CHAPTER VII

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

GRANTS TO STATES FOR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriations granted under this head for the fiscal year 1955 shall be available for expenses necessary for carrying out title XV of the Social Security Act, as amended (Public Law 767, approved September 1, 1954).

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

For an additional amount for unemployment compensation for Federal employees, $7,500,000.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS

For an additional amount for “Payments to school districts”, $20,000,000.

ASSISTANCE FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

For an additional amount for “Assistance for school construction”, $48,500,000; and said appropriation and the unexpended balances of amounts heretofore appropriated under this head and under the head “School construction” shall, to the extent that they are or may become unobligated, be merged and such amounts shall be available, and remain available until expended, for the program of school construction as authorized by the Act of September 23, 1950, as amended by the Act of August 8, 1953, and the Act of August 31, 1954 (20 U.S.C. 271-311): Provided, That the limitations under this head in the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1954, and in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amounts available for carrying out title IV of Public Law 815, as amended, are repealed: Provided further, That nothing herein shall (1) increase the amounts previously available for title II of Public Law 815, or (2) otherwise than as expressly herein provided affect the limitation imposed by section 8 of the Act of August 31, 1954 (Public Law 731).

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

ASSISTANCE TO STATES, GENERAL

The limitation under this head in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriation Act, 1955, on the amount available for personal services, is increased from “$2,400,000” to “$2,418,000”.

JOHN MARSHALL BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMISSION

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act of August 13, 1954 (68 Stat. 702), $10,000, to remain available until December 31, 1955.
For expenses necessary to enable the Surgeon General to carry out the purposes of the Act of August 5, 1954 (68 Stat. 674), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); hire of passenger motor vehicles; and the purposes set forth in sections 321 and 509 of the Public Health Service Act; $100,000, to be derived by transfer from "Retired pay of commissioned officers", fiscal year 1955.

**Social Security Administration**

**Grants to States for Public Assistance**

For an additional amount for "Grants to States for public assistance", $238,000,000.

**Salaries and Expenses, Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance**

The amount authorized by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriation Act, 1955, and the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, to be expended from the Federal old-age and survivors insurance trust fund for "Salaries and expenses, Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance", is increased from "$69,400,000" to "$80,020,000": Provided, That such amounts as are required shall be available to pay the cost of necessary travel incident to medical examinations for verifying disabilities of individuals who file applications for disability determinations under title II of the Social Security Act, as amended.

**Railroad Retirement Board**

**Salaries and Expenses, Railroad Retirement Board (Trust Fund)**

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses, Railroad Retirement Board (trust fund)", $256,000, to be derived from the railroad retirement account.

**Chapter VIII**

**Public Works**

**Department of the Interior**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Operation and Maintenance, Southwestern Power Administration**

For an additional amount for "Operation and maintenance, Southwestern Power Administration", $400,000.

**Chapter IX**

**Department of State**

**Salaries and Expenses**

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $750,000, to be derived by transfer from "Government in occupied areas", fiscal year 1955.
Missions to International Organizations

For an additional amount for "Missions to international organizations", $12,500, to be derived by transfer from "Contributions to international organizations", fiscal year 1955.

International Contingencies

For an additional amount for "International contingencies", $100,000, to be derived by transfer from "Educational aid for China and Korea".

Department of Justice

Legal Activities and General Administration

Salaries and Expenses, United States Attorneys and Marshals

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses, United States attorneys and marshals", $500,000.

Salaries and Expenses, Claims of Persons of Japanese Ancestry


Federal Bureau of Investigation

Salaries and Expenses

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $1,100,000

Immigration and Naturalization Service

Salaries and Expenses

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", including purchase of fifteen passenger motor vehicles and three aircraft in addition to those heretofore provided, $1,250,000.

Federal Prison System

Salaries and Expenses, Bureau of Prisons

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses, Bureau of Prisons", $180,000.

Support of United States Prisoners

For an additional amount for "Support of United States prisoners", $600,000.

The Judiciary

Supreme Court of the United States

Care of the Building and Grounds

For an additional amount for "Care of the building and grounds", $12,500, to remain available until June 30, 1956, of which $8,500 shal
be available for expenditure without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for purchase and installation of a sound reinforcing system in the courtroom and adjacent areas and of a tape recording system, including necessary incidental expenses.

**COURT OF CUSTOMS AND PATENT APPEALS**

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $13,300.

**COURTS OF APPEALS, DISTRICT COURTS, AND OTHER JUDICIAL SERVICES**

**SALARIES OF JUDGES**

For an additional amount for “Salaries of judges”, $900,000.

**SALARIES OF SUPPORTING PERSONNEL**

For an additional amount for “Salaries of supporting personnel”, $86,000.

**FEES OF JURORS AND COMMISSIONERS**

For an additional amount for “Fees of jurors and commissioners”, $380,000.

**TRAVEL AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES**

For an additional amount for “Travel and miscellaneous expenses”, $45,000.

**SALARIES OF REFEREES**

For an additional amount for “Salaries of referees”, $20,800, to be derived from the referees’ salary fund established in pursuance of the Act of June 28, 1946, as amended (11 U. S. C. 68).

**EXPENSES OF REFEREES**

For an additional amount for “Expenses of referees”, $34,575, to be derived from the referees’ expense fund established in pursuance of the Act of June 28, 1946, as amended (11 U. S. C. 68 (c) (4)).

**CHAPTER X**

**TREASURY DEPARTMENT**

**BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS**

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $85,000.

**COAST GUARD**

**OPERATING EXPENSES**

For an additional amount for “Operating expenses”, $1,100,000 to be derived by transfer from “Acquisition, construction and improvements”.

**RETIRÉD PAY**

For an additional amount for “Retired pay”, $584,000, to be derived by transfer from “Acquisition, construction and improvements”.

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RESERVE TRAINING

For an additional amount for "Reserve training", $46,000, to be derived by transfer from "Acquisition, construction and improvements".

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

(Out of the postal revenues)

FOREIGN MAIL TRANSPORTATION

For an additional amount, fiscal year 1947, for "Foreign mail transportation", $25,000, to be derived by transfer from the appropriation "Railway mail service", fiscal year 1947.

THE TAX COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $63,000.

CHAPTER XI

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

The limitation of $10,000 for the settlement of claims not in excess of $250 each in accordance with the Act of February 11, 1929, as amended, contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1955, is increased to $12,500.

OPERATING EXPENSES

METROPOLITAN POLICE

The appropriation for "Metropolitan Police (additional municipal services, American Legion Convention)", contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1955, shall be available for payment at basic salary rates for services performed from August 25 to September 7, 1954, both inclusive, by members of the uniformed force of the Fire Department in excess of their regular tour of duty (but not to exceed a total of twelve hours overtime pay to any individual member performing service within such period).

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

For an additional amount for "Department of Public Health", $650,300.

PUBLIC WELFARE

For an additional amount for "Department of Public Welfare", $152,900.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

CAPITAL OUTLAY, MISCELLANEOUS

For an additional amount for "Capital outlay, miscellaneous", for improvement of Pier No. 5, Washington Channel, $26,500.
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS AND SUITS

For the payment of claims in excess of $250, approved by the Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of the Act of February 11, 1929, as amended (45 Stat. 1160; 46 Stat. 500; 65 Stat. 131), $28,008.  

JUDGMENTS

For the payment of final judgments rendered against the District of Columbia, as set forth in Senate Document Numbered 28 (Eighty-fourth Congress), $10,587, together with such further sums as may be necessary to pay the interest at not exceeding 4 per centum per annum on such judgments, as provided by law, from the date the same became due until the date of payment.

AUDITED CLAIMS

For an additional amount for the payment of claims, certified to be due by the accounting officers of the District of Columbia, under appropriations the balances of which have been exhausted or credited to the general fund of the District of Columbia as provided by law (D. C. Code, title 47, sec. 130a), being for the service of the fiscal year 1952 and prior fiscal years, as set forth in Senate Document Numbered 28 (Eighty-fourth Congress), $155,095, together with such further sums as may be necessary to pay the interest on audited claims for refunds at not exceeding 4 per centum per annum as provided by law (Act of July 10, 1952, 66 Stat. 546, sec. 14d).

DIVISION OF EXPENSES

The sum appropriated in this Act for the District of Columbia shall, unless otherwise specifically provided for, be paid out of the general fund of the District of Columbia, as defined in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act of 1955.

CHAPTER XII

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

SENATE

SALARIES AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF SENATORS, MILEAGE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND OF SENATORS, AND SALARY AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

COMPENSATION OF SENATORS

For an additional amount for “Compensation of Senators,” as authorized by Public Law 9, Eighty-fourth Congress, $320,001.

COMPENSATION OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

For an additional amount for “Compensation of the Vice President of the United States,” as authorized by Public Law 9, Eighty-fourth Congress, $1,667.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

Office of the Secretary: For an additional amount for the Office of the Secretary, $3,905, to be available, effective April 1, 1955, for the compensation of one director of photography, joint recording facility
at the basic annual rate of $5,100 and one laboratory technician, joint recording facility at the basic annual rate of $4,020.

Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper: For an additional amount for the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, $140: Provided, That effective April 1, 1955, the basic rate of compensation of the chief cabinetmaker shall be $3,540 in lieu of $3,200.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE


Furniture: For an additional amount for materials for furniture and repairs of same and for the purchase of furniture, $5,000.

Miscellaneous items: For an additional amount for "Miscellaneous items", exclusive of labor, $51,950.

Packing boxes: For an additional amount for "Packing boxes", $500.

Postage stamps: For an additional amount for "Postage stamps", for office of Secretary, $115.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SALARIES OF MEMBERS

For an additional amount for compensation of Members, $1,468,000.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE HOUSE

Office of the Coordinator of Information: For an additional amount, $2,000.

Automobile for the majority leader: For an additional amount, $5,400.

Folding documents: For an additional amount, $10,000.

CAPITOL POLICE

Capitol Police Board: For additional amounts for "Capitol Police Board", as follows: fiscal year 1954, $21,139; fiscal year 1955, $38,972.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

CAPITOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Capitol Buildings: For an additional amount for "Capitol Buildings", $16,000, of which $12,500 shall be available for such expenditures, including personal and other services, as may be necessary to enable the Architect of the Capitol to make a survey and study of the illumination of the Capitol Building and to submit recommendations and estimates of cost for improved illumination, including related architectural treatment.

Capitol grounds: For reconstruction, repair, alteration, and improvement of the areas of the United States Capitol grounds located above and in the vicinity of the legislative garage, situated north of Constitution Avenue between New Jersey Avenue and Delaware Avenue, including expenditures for personal and other services and all other necessary items, $611,000, to remain available until expended.

SENATE OFFICE BUILDING

For an additional amount for "Senate Office Building", $53,000, of
which $10,000 shall be available for such expenditures, including personal and other services, as may be necessary to enable the Architect of the Capitol to make a survey and study of the illumination of the Senate Office Building and to submit recommendations and estimates of cost for improved illumination.

CHAPTER XII A

ADDITIONAL HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

SEC. 1201. There is hereby authorized to be constructed on a site approved by the House Office Building Commission, in accordance with plans to be prepared by or under direction of the Architect of the Capitol and to be submitted to, and approved by, such Commission, an additional fireproof office building for the use of the House of Representatives, including such necessary equipment, such necessary connections with the Capitol Power Plant and other utilities, such necessary access facilities over or under public streets, such other appurtenant or necessary facilities, such changes in the present House Office Buildings and mechanical and other changes necessitated thereby, and such changes in or additions to the present subway systems, as may be approved by such Commission.

SEC. 1202. (a) The Architect of the Capitol is authorized to acquire on behalf of the United States by purchase, condemnation, transfer, or otherwise, such publicly or privately owned real property in the District of Columbia (including streets, avenues, roads, highways, alleys, or parts thereof) located south of Independence Avenue in the vicinity of the United States Capitol Grounds as may be approved by the House Office Building Commission for the purposes of section 1201 of this chapter or for additions to the United States Capitol Grounds. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any street, avenue, road, highway, alley, or part thereof acquired pursuant to this subsection shall be closed and vacated by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia in accordance with any request therefor made by the Architect of the Capitol with the approval of the House Office Building Commission. Square numbered 636 in the District of Columbia (which is now part of the new House of Representatives Office Building site) shall be available for the purposes of this chapter. Any real property owned by the United States and located south of Independence Avenue in the vicinity of the Capitol Grounds shall upon request of the Architect of the Capitol, made with the approval of the House Office Building Commission, be transferred to the jurisdiction and control of the Architect of the Capitol without reimbursement or transfer of funds. At such time or times as may be fixed by order of the House Office Building Commission, (1) any real property acquired under, or made available for the purposes of, this chapter shall become part of the United States Capitol Grounds and subject to the Act entitled “An Act to define the area of the United States Capitol Grounds, to regulate the use thereof, and for other purposes”, approved July 31, 1946 (40 U. S. C., secs. 193a–193m, 212a, and 212b), and (2) the building and all facilities constructed pursuant to section 1201 of this chapter shall become subject to such Act approved July 31, 1946, and to the provisions of law relating to the control, supervision, and care of the House Office Building contained in the Act approved May 4, 1907, as amended (40 U. S. C., sec. 175).

(b) Any proceeding for condemnation brought under subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the acquisition of land in the District of Columbia for the use of the United States”, approved March 1, 1929 (16 D. C. Code, secs. 619–644).
Demolition of buildings.

Leases.

Appropriation.

Contracts, etc.

Citation of chapter.

(c) When any real property has been acquired under, or made available for the purposes of, this chapter the Architect of the Capitol is authorized to provide for the demolition and removal as expeditiously as possible of any buildings or other structures on, or constituting a part of, such property and, pending demolition, to lease any or all of such property for such periods and under such terms and conditions as he may deem most advantageous to the United States and to provide for the maintenance and protection of such property.

SEC. 1203. For carrying out the purposes of this chapter there is hereby appropriated $5,000,000, to remain available until expended, and there are hereby authorized to be appropriated such additional sums as may be determined by the House Office Building Commission to be required for the purposes of this chapter: Provided, That the Architect of the Capitol under the direction of such Commission is authorized to enter into contracts and to make such other expenditures, including expenditures for personal and other services, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter and to obligate the additional sums herein authorized prior to the actual appropriation thereof.

SEC. 1204. This chapter may be cited as the "Additional House Office Building Act of 1955".

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Printing and Binding

For an additional amount for "Printing and binding", $700,000.

CHAPTER XIII

CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES, AUDITED CLAIMS, AND JUDGMENTS

For payment of claims for damages as settled and determined by departments and agencies in accord with law, audited claims certified to be due by the General Accounting Office, and judgments rendered against the United States by United States district courts and the United States Court of Claims, as set forth in Senate Document Numbered 25 and House Document Numbered 104, Eighty-fourth Congress, $9,504,219, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay interest (as and when specified in such judgments or in certain of the settlements of the General Accounting Office or provided by law) and such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in foreign currency: Provided, That no judgment herein appropriated for shall be paid until it shall have become final and conclusive against the United States by failure of the parties to appeal or otherwise: Provided further, That, unless otherwise specifically required by law or by the judgment, payment of interest wherever appropriated for herein shall not continue for more than thirty days after the date of approval of this Act.

CHAPTER XIV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Uniform Allowances

SEC. 1401. The following appropriations to the departments and
agencies shall be available during the current fiscal year for uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114):

Department of Agriculture:
- Agricultural Research Service: "Salaries and expenses"
- Forest Service: Such appropriations as are available for the pay of employees entitled to uniforms, or allowances therefor, under said Act;

Department of Defense—Civil Functions: Department of the Army:
- Rivers and harbors and flood control:
  - "Construction, general"
  - "Operation and maintenance, general"
  - "General expenses"
  - "Flood control, Mississippi River and tributaries"
- Canal Zone Government:
  - "Operating expenses"

Department of the Interior:
- Bureau of Reclamation:
  - "Construction and rehabilitation"
  - "Operation and maintenance"
- National Park Service:
  - "Management and protection"
  - "Maintenance and rehabilitation of physical facilities"

Department of Justice:
- Immigration and Naturalization Service: "Salaries and expenses"

Post Office Department:
- "Administration"
- "Operations"
- "Facilities"; and

Treasury Department:
- Bureau of Customs, "Salaries and expenses".

Sec. 1402. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this or any other Act shall be guilty
of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Approved April 22, 1955.

Public Law 25

CHAPTER 27

AN ACT

To amend section 102 (a) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported hereunder be replaced from Commodity Credit Corporation stocks.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 102 (a) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 102. (a) For the purpose of carrying out agreements concluded by the President hereunder, the Commodity Credit Corporation, in accordance with regulations issued by the President pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, (1) shall make available for sale hereunder to domestic exporters surplus agricultural commodities heretofore or hereafter acquired by the Corporation in the administration of its price-support operations, and (2) shall make funds available to finance the sale and exportation of surplus agricultural commodities, whether from private stocks or from stocks of the Commodity Credit Corporation. In supplying such commodities to exporters under this subsection the Commodity Credit Corporation shall not be subject to the sales price restrictions in section 407 of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended. The commodity set-aside established for any commodity under section 101 of the Agricultural Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 897) shall be reduced by a quantity equal to the quantity of such commodity financed hereunder which is exported from private stocks."

Approved April 25, 1955.

Public Law 26

CHAPTER 28

JOINT RESOLUTION

To designate the 1st day of May 1955 as Loyalty Day.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the 1st day of May 1955 is hereby designated as Loyalty Day and is set aside as a special day for the reaffirmation of loyalty to the United States of America and for the recognition of the heritage of American freedom; and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on such day and inviting the people of the United States to observe such day, in schools and other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies.

Approved April 27, 1955.
Public Law 27

AN ACT

To amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 353 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended, effective beginning with the 1955 crop of rice, by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(e) Any part of the farm rice acreage allotment on which rice will not be planted and which is voluntarily surrendered to the county committee shall be deducted from the allotment to such farm and may be reapportioned by the county committee to other farms in the same county receiving allotments in amounts determined by the county committee to be fair and reasonable on the basis of the past production of rice by the producers on the farm or the past production of rice on the farm, as the case may be; acreage allotments previously established for the farm or for the producers on the farm, as the case may be; abnormal conditions affecting acreage; land, labor, water, and equipment available for the production of rice; crop-rotation practices; and the soil and other physical factors affecting the production of rice. Any allotment surrendered under this provision shall be regarded for the purposes of subsection (b) of this section as having been planted on the farm from which surrendered, except that this shall not operate to make the farm from which the allotment was surrendered eligible for an allotment as having rice planted thereon, or to make any producer thereon eligible for an allotment as having produced rice, during the five-year base period."

Approved April 30, 1955.

Public Law 28

AN ACT

To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to rice allotment history.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 353 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding to subsection (c) thereof the following new paragraph:

"In determining the past production of rice by producers on a farm for the purpose of establishing farm acreage allotments for the 1956 and subsequent crops, the acreage of rice on the farm for any year for which farm acreage allotments were in effect shall be divided among the producers thereon in the proportion in which they contributed to the farm acreage allotment."

Approved April 30, 1955.

Public Law 29

AN ACT

To amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 353 of
the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding to subsection (c) thereof, two new paragraphs reading as follows:

“(3) Each of the State acreage allotments for 1955 heretofore proclaimed by the Secretary shall be increased by 2 per centum or by such greater acreage as may be necessary to provide such State with an allotment equal to its 1950 allotment. In any State having county acreage allotments for 1955 (i) the increase in the State allotment shall be apportioned among counties in the State on the same basis as the State allotment was heretofore apportioned among the counties, but without regard to adjustments for trends in acreage, and (ii) the 1955 allotment for any county in which the 1950–1954 average planted plus diverted acreage of rice, adjusted for trends in acreage, exceeds the 1945–1949 average planted acreage of rice, similarly adjusted, by more than 2 per centum shall then be further increased by such additional acreage as may be necessary to provide such county with an allotment equal to its 1950 allotment. The increases in the county acreage allotments and the increases in the State allotments, where county allotments are not determined, shall be used to establish farm acreage allotments which are fair and reasonable in relation to the applicable allotment factors specified in subsection (b) of this section and to correct inequities and prevent hardships.

“(4) The reserve acreage made available for 1955 in any State for apportionment to farms operated by persons who have not produced rice during the preceding five years or oil which rice has not been planted in the preceding five years shall not be less than five hundred acres; and the additional acreage necessary to provide such minimum reserve acreages shall be in addition to the National and State acreage allotments.”

Approved May 5, 1955.

Public Law 30

JOINT RESOLUTION

May 5, 1955

[52 Stat. 107]

May 5, 1955

[69 Stat. 101]

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, upon the written consent of the director of the California State Department of Agriculture, the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States is authorized and directed to convey, for a consideration of $1, by quitclaim deed to the Vineland School District, Bakersfield, county of Kern, State of California, and its successors and assigns, all of the right, title, and interest reserved or retained by the quitclaim deed from the United States of America to the aforesaid Vineland School District dated November 28, 1947, covering thirty-six and seven hundred and fifty-nine one-thousandths acres, more or less, and recorded on December 10, 1947, in book 1341 of official records, page 424, in the office of the county recorder, Kern County, California.

Approved May 5, 1955.
Public Law 31  
AN ACT  
To authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to construct a modern office building in or near the District of Columbia to serve as its principal office.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Atomic Energy Commission is authorized, with funds presently available or otherwise made available to it, to acquire (by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, under the applicable provisions of chapters 14 and 15 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954) a suitable site in or near the District of Columbia and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, to provide for the construction on such site, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by or under the direction of the Commission, of a modern office building (including necessary related equipment, and auxiliary structures, as well as vaults for the protection of Restricted Data) to serve as the principal office of the Commission at a total cost of not to exceed $10,000,000 and for that purpose there is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary.

Approved May 6, 1955.

Public Law 32  
AN ACT  
To provide transportation on Canadian vessels between ports in southeastern Alaska, and between Hyder, Alaska, and other points in southeastern Alaska or the continental United States, either directly or via a foreign port, or for any part of the transportation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, until June 30, 1956, notwithstanding the provisions of law of the United States restricting to vessels of the United States the transportation of passengers and merchandise directly or indirectly from any port in the United States to another port of the United States, passengers may be transported on Canadian vessels between ports in southeastern Alaska, and passengers and merchandise may be transported on Canadian vessels between Hyder, Alaska, and other points in southeastern Alaska or the continental United States, either directly or via a foreign port, or for any part of the transportation.

Approved May 7, 1955.

Public Law 33  
AN ACT  
To amend the Act increasing the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service in order to make such increase permanent.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled “An Act to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service,” approved August 27, 1954 (68 Stat. 878), is amended by deleting the following: “And provided further, That the increases provided herein shall terminate, without subsequent resumption, on June 30, 1955”.

Approved May 11, 1955.
Public Law 34  
CHAPTER 37  
May 13, 1955  
[H. R. 1816]  
To declare the tidewaters in the waterway (in which is located Fort Point Channel and South Bay) above the easterly side of the highway bridge over Fort Point Channel at Dorchester Avenue in the city of Boston nonnavigable tidewaters.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the portion of the tidewaters in the waterway in which is located Fort Point Channel and South Bay in the city of Boston, Massachusetts, lying above the easterly side of the highway bridge over Fort Point Channel at Dorchester Avenue in the city of Boston is hereby declared to be a non-navigable water of the United States within the meaning of the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved May 13, 1955.

Public Law 35  
CHAPTER 38  
May 13, 1955  
[H. R. 4936]  
To authorize the furnishing of subsistence and quarters without charge to employees of the Corps of Engineers engaged on floating plant operations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 3 of the Act of March 5, 1928, employees of the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, engaged on floating plant operations may be furnished subsistence and/or quarters on vessels without charge whenever messing and/or quartering are determined to be equitable to the employees and to be necessary in the public interest in connection with such operations. Any such subsistence and quarters shall be furnished in accordance with standards prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.

Approved May 13, 1955.

Public Law 36  
CHAPTER 39  
May 13, 1955  
[H. R. 1602]  
To enable the State of Arizona and the town of Tempe, Arizona, to convey to the Salt River Agricultural Improvement and Power District, for use by such district, a portion of certain property heretofore transferred under certain restrictions to such State and town by the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to transfer by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to the State of Arizona and to the town of Tempe, Arizona, so much of the right, title, and interest remaining in the United States in and to the following described property, formerly constituting a part of the Papago Saguaro National Monument in Arizona, which was transferred in part to such State and in part to such town pursuant to the Act of April 7, 1930 (46 Stat. 142), as supplemented by the Act of July 7, 1932 (47 Stat. 646), on the condition that it be used for park, recreation, public convenience, or municipal purposes, as may be necessary to enable such State
and town to convey to the Salt River Project Agricultural Improve-
ment and Power District, a political subdivision of such State, such
property as a site for an office building (including facilities and
improvements related thereto) to be used by such district:

All that portion of the north half of section 9, township 1 north,
range 4 east, Gila and Salt River base and meridian, Arizona, bounded
on the north by the south right-of-way line of Van Buren Street,
on the east by the right-of-way of the State of Arizona at the in-
tersection of Washington Boulevard and Van Buren Street, on the south
by the north right-of-way line of Washington Boulevard and on the
west by a line parallel to and fifty feet east of a line described as
follows:

Beginning at a point on the center line of East Washington Boule-
vard from which point the north and south midsection line of said
section 9 bears south 81 degrees 52 minutes 31 seconds east a distance
of 554.5 feet; thence north 21 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds east a
distance of 1,116.12 feet to a point; thence on a curve to the right,
having a radius of 653.73 feet, a distance of 198.57 feet, as measured
along the arc of said curve, to a point; thence north 38 degrees 58
minutes east a distance of 96.74 feet to a point; thence on a curve to
the left having a radius of 221.5 feet a distance of 153.51 feet, as
measured along the arc of said curve, to a point; thence north 90
degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds west a distance of 210.2 feet to a point
on the center line of East Van Buren Street from which the point of
intersection of said center line of East Van Buren Street and the
north-south midsection line of said section 9 bears north 33 degrees
51 minutes west a distance of 160.98 feet.

Approved May 13, 1955.

Public Law 37

CHAPTER 40

AN ACT

To amend section 402 of the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act, approved September 1, 1954.

May 13, 1955
[S. 1094]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 402 of the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act, approved September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114), is amended by striking from the first sentence thereof the words “existing on the date of enactment of this Act”.

Approved May 13, 1955.

Public Law 38

CHAPTER 41

AN ACT

To amend section 401 (e) of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended.

May 19, 1955
[65. R. 2228]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 401 (e) of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended (49 U. S. C. 487 (e); 52 Stat. 987), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(3) If any applicant who makes application for a certificate within one hundred and twenty days after the date of enactment of this paragraph shall show that, from January 1, 1953, to the date of its application, it or its predecessor in interest, was an air carrier furnish-
ing, within the continental limits of the United States, local or feeder
service consisting of the carriage of persons, property, and mail,
under a temporary certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the Civil Aeronautics Board, continuously operating as such (except as to interruptions of service over which the applicant or its predecessors in interest have no control) the Board, upon proof of such fact only, shall, unless the service rendered by such applicant during the period since its last certification has been inadequate and inefficient, issue a certificate or certificates of unlimited duration, authorizing such applicant to engage in air transportation between the terminal and intermediate points within the continental limits of the United States between which it, or its predecessor, so continuously operated between the date of enactment of this paragraph and the date of its application: Provided, That the Board in issuing the certificate is empowered to limit the duration of the certificate as to not over one-half of the intermediate points named therein, which points it finds have generated insufficient traffic to warrant a finding that the public convenience and necessity requires permanent certification at such time."

Approved May 19, 1955.

Public Law 39

AN ACT

To amend the Act to protect scenic values along Oak Creek Canyon and certain tributaries thereof within the Coconino National Forest, Arizona.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of May 24, 1949 (63 Stat. 75; 16 U. S. C., 1952 edition, 48211 and the following), is hereby amended by adding the following section:

"Sec. 4. The provisions of sections 1, 2, and 3 of this Act are extended to the following-described lands within the Coconino National Forest, Coconino and Yavapai Counties, Arizona:

"Sections 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and the southwest quarter of section 25, township 18 north, range 4 east;

"Sections 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and the east half of the east half of section 29, township 18 north, range 5 east;

"Sections 18, 19, 29, 30, 31, and 32, township 18 north, range 6 east;

"Sections 1 to 36, inclusive, township 17 north, range 5 east;

"Sections 5, 6, 7, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and all of section 8 except the southeast quarter, township 17 north, range 6 east;

"Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, and 24, township 16 north, range 5 east.

"Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20, township 16 north, range 6 east, Gila and Salt River Base and meridian: Provided, however, That as applied to any lands described in this section, the word 'hereinafter' in sections 1 and 2 of this Act, and the words 'date of the enactment of this Act' in section 3, shall be deemed to relate to the date of the enactment of this section 4."

Approved May 19, 1955.
AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

TITLE I—REGULAR ACTIVITIES

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to perform agricultural research relating to production and utilization, to control and eradicat pests and plant and animal diseases, and to perform related inspection, quarantine and regulatory work, and meat inspection: Provided, That not to exceed $15,000 of the appropriations hereunder shall be available for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a): Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft and the purchase (for emergency replacement only) of not to exceed one: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 5 U. S. C. 55a for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the cost of constructing any one building (except headhouses connecting greenhouses) shall not exceed $7,500 and the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed $3,750 or two per centum of the cost of the building, whichever is greater: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114): Provided further, That, in the discretion of the Secretary, no part of this appropriation shall be expended for the control of sweet-potato weevil in

Research: For research and demonstrations on the production and utilization of agricultural products, and related research and services, including administration of payments to State Agricultural Experiment Stations; $37,800,000.

Plant and animal disease and pest control: For operations and measures to control and eradicate pests and plant and animal diseases and for carrying out assigned inspection, quarantine and regulatory activities, as authorized by law; $18,688,700, of which $1,000,000 shall be apportioned for use pursuant to section 8679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for the control of outbreaks of insects and plant diseases under the joint resolution approved May 9, 1938 (7 U. S. C. 148–148e), and the Act of August 13, 1854 (Public Law 586), to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay the cost or value of trees, farm animals, farm crops, or other property injured or destroyed as a result of plant insect and disease control activities except potatoes and tomatoes as authorized under the Golden Nematode Act: Provided further, That, in the discretion of the Secretary, no part of this appropriation shall be expended for the control of sweet-potato weevil in

31 USC 665.
32 Stat. 844.
52 Stat. 717.
68 Stat. 717.
69 Stat. 1114.
any State until such State has provided cooperation necessary to accomplish this purpose, or for barberry eradication until a sum or sums at least equal to such expenditures shall have been made available by States, counties, or local authorities, or by individuals or organizations for the accomplishment of this purpose, or with respect to the golden nematode except as prescribed in section 4 of the Golden Nematode Act.

Meat inspection: For carrying out the provisions of laws relating to Federal inspection of meat and meat-food products and the applicable provisions of the laws relating to process or renovated butter; $14,325,000.

PAYMENTS TO STATES, HAWAII, ALASKA, AND PUERTO RICO

For payments to the States, Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico to be paid quarterly in advance where applicable, to carry into effect the provisions of the following Acts relating to agricultural experiment stations:

Hatch Act, the Act approved March 2, 1887 (7 U. S. C. 362, 363, 365, 368, 377-379), $720,000; Adams Act, the Act approved March 16, 1906 (7 U. S. C. 369), $720,000; Purnell Act, the Act approved February 24, 1925 (7 U. S. C. 361, 366, 370, 371, 373-376, 380, 382), $2,880,000; Bankhead-Jones Act, title I of the Act approved June 29, 1935 (7 U. S. C. 427-427g), sections 3 and 5, $2,960,708, and sections 9 and 11 of said Act as added by the Act of August 14, 1948 (7 U. S. C. 427h, 427i), including administration by the Office of Experiment Stations in the United States Department of Agriculture, $16,800,000, no part of which latter amount shall be used for beginning construction of any building costing in excess of $15,000; Hawaii, the Act approved May 16, 1928 (7 U. S. C. 386-386b), extending the benefits of certain Acts of Congress to the Territory of Hawaii, $90,000; Alaska, the Act approved February 23, 1929 (7 U. S. C. 386c), extending the benefits of the Hatch Act to the Territory of Alaska, $15,000, and the provisions of section 2 of the Act approved June 20, 1936, as amended (7 U. S. C. 369a), extending the benefits of the Adams and Purnell Acts to the Territory of Alaska, $75,000; Puerto Rico, the Act approved March 4, 1931, as amended (7 U. S. C. 386d-386f), extending the benefits of certain Acts of Congress to Puerto Rico, $90,000; section 204 (b) of the Agricultural Marketing Act, the Act approved August 14, 1949 (7 U. S. C. 1623), $500,000; in all, payments to States, Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico, $24,753,708.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH AND OTHER CONTAGIOUS DISEASES OF ANIMALS AND POULTRY

Eradication activities: For expenses necessary in the arrest and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious pleuro-pneumonia, or other contagious or infectious diseases of animals, or European fowl pest and similar diseases in poultry, including the payment of claims growing out of destruction of animals (including poultry) affected by or exposed to, or of materials contaminated by or exposed to, any such disease, when there has been compliance with all lawful quarantine regulations, and for foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest programs undertaken pursuant to the provisions of the Act of February 28, 1947, and the Act of May 29, 1884, as amended (7 U. S. C. 391; 21 U. S. C. 111-122), including expenses in accordance with section 2 of said Act of February 28, 1947, the Secretary may transfer from other appropriations or funds available to the bureaus, corporations, or agencies of the Department such sums as he may
deem necessary, but not to exceed $2,250,000 for eradication of vesicular exanthema of swine, to be available only in an emergency which threatens the livestock or poultry industry of the country, and any unexpended balances of funds transferred under this head in the next preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such transferred amounts: Provided, That, except for payments made pursuant to said Act of February 28, 1947, the payment for animals may be made on appraisal based on the meat, egg-production, dairy, or breeding value, but in case of appraisal based on breeding value no appraisal of any animal shall exceed three times its meat, egg-production, or dairy value and, except in case of an extraordinary emergency to be determined by the Secretary, the payment by the United States shall not exceed one-half of any such appraisements: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be subject to applicable provisions contained in the item “Salaries and expenses, Agricultural Research Service”.

Research: For expenses necessary for research authorized by the Act of April 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a), $1,900,000.

Extension Service

Payments to States, Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico

For payments for cooperative agricultural extension work under the Smith-Lever Act, as amended by the Act of June 26, 1953 (Public Law 83), $44,155,000; and payments and contracts for such work under section 204 (b)-205 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623-1624), $1,320,000; in all, $45,475,000: Provided, That funds hereby appropriated pursuant to section 3 (c) of the Act of June 26, 1953 (Public Law 83) shall not be paid to any State, Hawaii, Alaska, or Puerto Rico prior to availability of an equal sum from non-Federal sources for expenditure during the current fiscal year.

Federal Extension Service

Administration and coordination: For administration of the Smith-Lever Act, as amended by the Act of June 26, 1953 (Public Law 83), and extension aspects of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621-1627), and to coordinate and provide program leadership for the extension work of the Department and the several States, Territories, and insular possessions, $1,920,000.

Penalty mail: For costs of penalty mail for cooperative extension agents, $1,650,000.

Farmer Cooperative Service

For necessary expenses to carry out the Act of July 2, 1926 (7 U.S.C. 451-457), $408,000.

Soil Conservation Service

Conservation Operations

For necessary expenses for carrying out the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-590f), including preparation of conservation plans and establishment of measures to conserve soil and water (including farm irrigation and land drainage and such special measures as may be necessary to prevent floods and the siltation of reservoirs); operation of conservation nurseries; classification and mapping of soils; dissemination of information; purchase and erection or alteration of permanent buildings; operation and main-
Cost of buildings.

For expenses necessary to conduct surveys, investigations, and research and to carry out preventive measures, including, but not limited to, engineering operations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation, and changes in use of land, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, approved August 4, 1954 (Public Law 566), and the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U. S. C. 590a–590f), to remain available until expended, $12,000,000, with which shall be merged the unexpended balances of funds heretofore appropriated or transferred to the Department for watershed protection purposes.

WATERSHED PROTECTION

For expenses necessary, in accordance with the Flood Control Act, approved June 22, 1936 (Public Law 738), as amended and supplemented, and in accordance with the provisions of laws relating to the activities of the Department, to perform works of improvement, including not to exceed $100,000 for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates for individuals not to exceed $100 per diem, to remain available until expended, $10,000,000, with which shall be merged the unexpended balances of funds heretofore appropriated or transferred to the Department for flood prevention purposes: Provided, That no part of such funds shall be used for the purchase of lands in the Yazoo and Little Tallahatchie watersheds without specific approval of the county board of supervisors of the county in which such lands are situated: Provided further, That here-
after the funds appropriated for flood prevention purposes may be
expended in watersheds heretofore authorized by section 13 of the
Flood Control Act of December 22, 1944, as amended, for necessary
measures for the prevention of erosion, floodwater, and sediment
damage, including gully control, floodwater detention, and floodway
structures, in areas other than those over which the Department of
the Army has jurisdiction and responsibility.

AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM SERVICE

For necessary expenses to carry into effect the provisions of sections
7 to 17, inclusive, of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment
Act, approved February 29, 1936, as amended (16 U. S. C. 590g-590q),
including not to exceed $6,000 for the preparation and display of ex-
hibits, including such displays at State, interstate, and international
fairs within the United States; $214,500,000, to remain available until
December 31 of the next succeeding fiscal year for compliance with
the program of soil-building practices and soil- and water-conserving
practices authorized under this head in the Department of Agriculture
and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act 1955, carried
out during the period July 1, 1954, to December 31, 1955, inclusive:
Provided, That not to exceed $22,800,000 of the total sum provided
under this head shall be available during the current fiscal year for
salaries and other administrative expenses for carrying out such pro-
gram, the cost of aerial photographs, however, not to be charged to
such limitation; but not more than $4,320,000 shall be transferred
to the appropriation account, “Administrative expenses, section 392,
Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938”: Provided further, That pay-
ments to claimants hereunder may be made upon the certificate of
the claimant, which certificate shall be in such form as the Secretary
may prescribe, that he has carried out the conservation practice or
practices and has complied with all other requirements as conditions
for such payments and that the statements and information con-
tained in the application for payment are correct and true, to the
best of his knowledge and belief, under the penalties of title 18, United
States Code: Provided further, That none of the funds herein appro-
priated or made available for the functions assigned to the Agricul-
tural Adjustment Agency pursuant to the Executive Order Numbered
9069, of February 23, 1942, shall be used to pay the salaries or expenses
of any regional information employees or any State information em-
ployees, but this shall not preclude the answering of inquiries or
supplying of information at the county level to individual farmers:
Provided further, That such amount shall be available for salaries
and other administrative expenses in connection with the formulation
and administration of the 1956 program of soil-building practices
and soil- and water-conserving practices, under the Act of February
29, 1936, as amended (amounting to $250,000,000, including adminis-
tration, and formulated on the basis of a distribution of the funds
available for payments and grants among the several States in accord-
ance with their conservation needs as determined by the Secretary,
except that the proportion allocated to any State shall not be reduced
more than 15 per cent from the distribution for the next preceding
program year, and no participant shall receive more than $1,500,
except where the participants from two or more farms or ranches
join to carry out approved practices designed to conserve or improve
the agricultural resources of the community); but the payments or
grants under such programs shall be conditioned upon the utilization
of land with respect to which such payments or grants are to be made
in conformity with farming practices which will encourage and pro-
vide for soil-building and soil- and water-conserving practices in the
most practical and effective manner and adapted to conditions in the
several States, as determined and approved by the State committees
appointed pursuant to section 8 (b) of the Soil Conservation and
Domestic Allotment Act, as amended (16 U. S. C. 590h (b)), for the
respective States: Provided further, That not to exceed 5 per centum
of the allocation for the 1956 agricultural conservation program for
any county may, on the recommendation of such county committee
and approval of the State committee, be withheld and allotted to the
Soil Conservation Service for services of its technicians in formulating
and carrying out the agricultural conservation program in the par-
ticipating counties, and the funds so allotted may be placed in a single
account for each State, and shall not be utilized by the Soil Con-
servation Service for any purpose other than technical and other
assistance in such counties: Provided further, That for the 1956 pro-
gram $2,500,000 shall be available for technical assistance in formu-
ating and carrying out agricultural conservation practices and $1,000,-
000 shall be available for conservation practices related directly to
flood-prevention work in approved watersheds: Provided further,
That in carrying out the 1956 program the Secretary shall give par-
ticular consideration to the conservation problems on farmlands di-
verted from crops under acreage-allotment programs: Provided
further, That such amounts shall be available for the purchase of
seeds, fertilizers, lime, trees, or any other farming material, or any
soil-terracing services, and making grants thereof to agricultural
producers to aid them in carrying out farming practices approved by
the Secretary under programs provided for herein: Provided further,
That no part of any funds available to the Department, or any bureau,
office, corporation, or other agency constituting a part of such Depart-
ment, shall be used in the current fiscal year for the payment of
salary or travel expenses of any person who has been convicted of
violating the Act entitled "An Act to prevent pernicious political
activities", approved August 2, 1939, as amended, or who has been
found in accordance with the provisions of title 18, United States
Code, section 1913, to have violated or attempted to violate such section
which prohibits the use of Federal appropriations for the payment
of personal services or other expenses designed to influence in any
manner a Member of Congress to favor or oppose any legislation or
appropriation by Congress except upon request of any Member or
through the proper official channels.

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
MARKETING RESEARCH AND SERVICE

For expenses necessary to carry on research and service to improve
and develop marketing and distribution relating to agriculture as
authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U. S. C.
1621-1627) and other laws, including the administration of marketing
regulatory acts connected therewith: Provided, That appropriations
hereunder shall be available pursuant to 5 U. S. C. 565a for the con-
struction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements, but
unless otherwise provided, the cost of erecting any one building shall
not exceed $7,500 and the cost of altering any one building during the
fiscal year shall not exceed $3,750 or 2 per centum of the cost of the
building, whichever is greater:

Marketing research and agricultural estimates: For research and
development relating to agricultural marketing and distribution, for
analyses relating to farm prices, income and population, and demand
for farm products, and for crop and livestock estimates; $11,046,000: Provided, That not less than $250,000 of the funds contained in this appropriation shall be available to gather statistics and conduct a special study on the price spread between the farmer and the consumer; Provided further, That no part of the funds herein appropriated shall be available for any expense incident to ascertaining, collating, or publishing a report stating the intention of farmers as to the acreage to be planted in cotton, or for estimates of apple production for other than the commercial crop.

Marketing services: For services relating to agricultural marketing and distribution, for carrying out regulatory acts connected therewith, and for administration and coordination of payments to States; $11,960,000, including not to exceed $25,000 for employment at rates not to exceed $100 per diem, pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U.S.C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 55a), in carrying out section 201 (a) to 201 (d), inclusive, of title II of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1291) and section 203 (j) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.

PAYMENTS TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND POSSESSIONS

For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus and departments of markets and similar agencies for marketing activities under section 204 (b) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623 (b)), $1,000,000.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751-1760), $83,236,197: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for nonfood assistance under section 5 of said Act.

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

For necessary expenses for the Foreign Agricultural Service, including carrying out title VI of the Agricultural Act of 1954 (Public Law 690, approved August 28, 1954), and for enabling the Secretary to coordinate and integrate activities of the Department in connection with foreign agricultural work, including not to exceed $20,000 for representation allowances, $3,365,000: Provided, That not less than $250,000 of the funds contained in this appropriation shall be available to obtain statistics and related facts on foreign production and full and complete information on methods used by other countries to move farm commodities in world trade on a competitive basis.

COMMODITY EXCHANGE AUTHORITY

For necessary expenses to carry into effect the provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1-17a), $698,000.

COMMODITY STABILIZATION SERVICE

AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMS

For necessary expenses to formulate and carry out acreage allotment and marketing quota programs pursuant to provisions of title III of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1301-1393), $39,000,000, of which not more than $6,000,000 shall be transferred to the appropriation account "Administrative expenses, section 392, Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938".
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SUGAR ACT PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry into effect the provisions of the Sugar Act of 1948 (7 U. S. C. 1101-1160), $59,600,000, to remain available until June 30 of the next succeeding fiscal year: Provided, That expenditures (including transfers) from this appropriation for other than payments to sugar producers shall not exceed $1,575,000.

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION

For operating and administrative expenses, $6,000,000.

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION

To carry into effect the provisions of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U. S. C. 901-924), as follows:

LOAN AUTHORIZATIONS

For loans in accordance with said Act, and for carrying out the provisions of section 7 thereof, to be borrowed from the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the provisions of section 3 (a) of said Act as follows: Rural electrification program, $160,000,000; and rural telephone program, $75,000,000; and additional amounts, not to exceed $100,000,000 for the rural electrification program, may be borrowed under the same terms and conditions to the extent that such additional amounts are required during the fiscal year 1956, under the then existing conditions, for the expeditious and orderly development of the program.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For administrative expenses, including not to exceed $500 for financial and credit reports, and not to exceed $150,000 for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $7,680,000.

FARMERS’ HOME ADMINISTRATION

convey certain mineral interests, approved September 6, 1950 (7 U. S. C. 1033–1039), as follows:

**LOAN AUTHORIZATIONS**

For loans (including payments in lieu of taxes and taxes under section 50 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, and advances incident to the acquisition and preservation of security of obligations under the foregoing several authorities): Title I and section 43 of title IV of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, $19,000,000, of which not to exceed $5,000,000 may be distributed to States and Territories without regard to farm population and prevalence of tenancy, in addition to the amount otherwise distributed thereto, for loans in reclamation projects and to entrymen on unpatented public land; title II of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, $122,500,000; the Act of August 28, 1937, as amended, $11,500,000: Provided, That not to exceed the foregoing several amounts shall be borrowed in one account from the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the provisions set forth under this head in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1952.

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For making, servicing, and collecting loans and insured mortgages, the servicing and collecting of loans made under prior authority, the liquidation of assets transferred to Farmers' Home Administration, and other administrative expenses, $24,500,000, together with a transfer of not to exceed $450,000 of the fees and administrative expense charges made available by subsections (d) and (e) of section 12 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1005 (b)), and section 10 (c) of the Act of August 28, 1937, as amended.

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL**

For necessary expenses, including payment of fees or dues for the use of law libraries by attorneys in the field service, $2,100,000, together with such amounts from other appropriations or authorizations as are provided in the schedules in the budget for the current fiscal year for such expenses, which several amounts not exceeding a total of $375,000 shall be transferred to and made a part of this appropriation.

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

For expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture, including the purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only; expenses of the National Agricultural Advisory Commission; stationery, supplies, materials, and equipment; freight, express, and drayage charges; advertising of bids, communication service, postage, washing towels, repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for the practical and efficient work of the Department of Agriculture; $2,144,300, together with such amounts from other appropriations or authorizations as are provided in the schedules in the budget for the current fiscal year for such services and expenses, which several amounts or portions thereof, as may be determined by the Secretary, not exceeding a total of $84,280, shall be transferred to and made a part of this appropriation.
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OFFICE OF INFORMATION

For necessary expenses of the Office of Information for the dissemination of agricultural information and the coordination of informational work and programs authorized by Congress in the Department, $1,238,000, together with such amounts from other appropriations or authorizations as are provided in the schedules in the budget for the current fiscal year for such expenses, which several amounts not exceeding a total of $16,014 shall be transferred to and made a part of this appropriation, of which total appropriation not to exceed $387,000 may be used for farmers' bulletins, which shall be adapted to the interests of the people of the different sections of the country, an equal proportion of four-fifths of which shall be delivered to or sent out under the addressed franks furnished by the Senators, Representatives, and Delegates in Congress, as they shall direct (7 U. S. C. 417) and not less than two hundred thirty thousand eight hundred and fifty copies for the use of the Senate and House of Representatives of part 2 of the annual report of the Secretary (known as the Yearbook of Agriculture) as authorized by section 73 of the Act of January 12, 1895 (44 U. S. C. 241) : Provided, That in the preparation of motion pictures or exhibits by the Department, not exceeding a total of $10,000 may be used for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a) : Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for the establishment or maintenance of regional or State field offices, or for the compensation of employees in such offices.

LIBRARY

For necessary expenses, including dues for library membership in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members, $659,950.

TITLE II—CORPORATIONS

The following corporations and agencies are hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the fiscal year 1956 for such corporation or agency, except as hereinafter provided:

Federal Crop Insurance Corporation: Provided, That the direct costs of loss adjusters for crop inspections and loss adjustments may be considered as nonadministrative or nonoperating expenses: Provided further, That not to exceed $1,500,000 of administrative and operating expenses may be paid from premium income.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

RESTORATION OF CAPITAL IMPAIRMENT

To restore the capital impairment of the Commodity Credit Corporation determined by the appraisal of June 30, 1954, pursuant to section 1 of the Act of March 8, 1938, as amended (15 U. S. C. 719a–1), $1,634,659.
LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent the Commodity Credit Corporation from carrying out any activity or any program authorized by law: Provided, That not to exceed $26,000,000 shall be available for administrative expenses of the Corporation: Provided further, That $1,000,000 of this authorization shall be available only to expand and strengthen the sales program of the Corporation pursuant to authority contained in the Corporation’s charter: Provided further, That $994,914 of this authorization shall be placed in reserve to be apportioned pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for use only in such amounts and at such time as may become necessary to carry out program operations: Provided further, That all necessary expenses (including legal and special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of any real or personal property belonging to the Corporation or in which it has an interest, including expenses of collections of pledged collateral, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof.

TITLE III—SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

RESEARCH ON STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL AGRICULTURAL MATERIALS

For expenses necessary to carry out section 7 (b) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of July 23, 1946 (50 U. S. C. 98f), $300,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall be subject to applicable provisions contained in the item “Salaries and expenses, Agricultural Research Service”.

REPAYMENT TO COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FOR ERADICATION OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH AND OTHER CONTAGIOUS DISEASES OF ANIMALS AND POULTRY

For reimbursement to Commodity Credit Corporation for sums transferred to the appropriation “Eradication of foot-and-mouth and other contagious diseases of animals and poultry”, fiscal year 1954 (including interest thereon through June 30, 1955), pursuant to authority contained under such head in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1954, $5,788,897.

INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT

To discharge indebtedness of the Commodity Credit Corporation to the Secretary of the Treasury for the net costs during the fiscal year 1954 (including interest thereon through June 30, 1955) under the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1641–1642), $57,378,551.

REIMBURSEMENT TO COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FOR TRANSFER OF WHEAT TO PAKISTAN

To reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for its investment (including costs of handling, delivery, and interest through June 30, 1955) in wheat transferred to the Government of Pakistan under the Act of June 25, 1953 (67 Stat. 80), $69,385,831.
REIMBURSEMENT TO COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FOR EMERGENCY FEED ASSISTANCE

To reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for losses representing the difference between the value of feed furnished farmers and stockmen in disaster areas and sales price received by the Corporation, $42,100,000.

REIMBURSEMENT TO COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FOR EMERGENCY FAMINE RELIEF TO FRIENDLY PEOPLES

To reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for its investment (including costs of handling, delivery, and interest through June 30, 1955) in commodities disposed of under the Act of August 7, 1953 (67 Stat. 476), $9,545,830.

TITLE IV—FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Not to exceed $2,320,000 (from assessments collected from farm credit agencies) shall be obligated during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses, including $8,500 for the purchase and installation of air-conditioning equipment (40 U.S.C. 317).

Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation: Not to exceed $550,000 (to be computed on an accrual basis) of the funds of the Corporation shall be available for administrative expenses, including employment on a contract or fee basis of persons, firms, and corporations for the performance of special services, including legal services, and the use of the services and facilities of Federal land banks, national farm loan associations, Federal Reserve banks, and agencies of the Government as authorized by the Act of January 31, 1934 (12 U.S.C. 1020–10201i); and said total sum shall be exclusive of services and facilities furnished and examinations made by the Farm Credit Administration, interest expense, and expenses in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, protection, or disposition of real or personal property belonging to the Corporation or in which it has an interest: Provided, That promptly after June 30 of each fiscal year all cash funds in excess of the estimated operating requirements for the current fiscal year shall be declared as dividends and paid into the general fund of the Treasury: Provided further, That the aggregate amount of bonds the Corporation may issue and have outstanding at any one time shall not exceed $500,000,000.

Federal intermediate credit banks: Not to exceed $1,825,000 (to be computed on an accrual basis) of the funds of the banks shall be available for administrative expenses and services performed for the banks by other Government agencies (except services and facilities furnished and examinations made by the Farm Credit Administration, and services performed by any Federal Reserve bank and by the United States Treasury in connection with the financial transactions of the banks); and said total sum shall be exclusive of interest expense, legal and special services performed on a contract or fee basis, and expenses in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, protection, or disposition of real or personal property belonging to the banks or in which they have an interest.

Production credit corporations: Not to exceed $1,595,000 (to be computed on an accrual basis) of the funds of the corporations shall be available for administrative expenses, including the purchase of not to exceed six passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, and services performed for the corporations by other Government agencies (except services and facilities furnished and examinations made by
the Farm Credit Administration); and said total sum shall be exclusive of interest expense, legal and special services performed on a contract or fee basis, and expenses in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, protection, or disposition of real or personal property belonging to the corporations or in which they have an interest.

**TITLE V—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Sec. 501. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law, the lump-sum appropriations and authorizations made for the Department under this Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those specifically provided for, of not to exceed 535 passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, and for the hire of such vehicles, necessary in the conduct of the work of the Department outside the District of Columbia.

Sec. 502. Provisions of law prohibiting or restricting the employment of aliens shall not apply to (1) the temporary employment of translators when competent citizen translators are not available; (2) employment in cases of emergency of persons in the field service of the Department for periods of not more than sixty days; and (3) employment under the appropriation for the Foreign Agricultural Service.

Sec. 503. Of appropriations herein made which are available for the purchase of lands, not to exceed $1 may be expended for each option to purchase any particular tract or tracts of land.

Sec. 504. No part of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be used for the payment of any officer or employee of the Department who, as such officer or employee, or on behalf of the Department or any division, commission, or bureau thereof, issues, or causes to be issued, any prediction, oral or written, or forecast, except as to damage threatened or caused by insects and pests, with respect to future prices of cotton or the trend of same.

Sec. 505. Except to provide materials required in or incident to research or experimental work where no suitable domestic product is available, no part of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be expended in the purchase of twine manufactured from commodities or materials produced outside of the United States.

Sec. 506. Not less than $1,500,000 of the appropriations of the Department for research and service work authorized by the Act of August 14, 1946 (7 U. S. C. 427, 1621–1629), and the Act of July 28, 1954 (Public Law 545), shall be available for contracting in accordance with said Acts.

Sec. 507. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence.
Penalty. Provided further. That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further. That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law: Provided further. That nothing in this section shall be construed to require an affidavit from any person employed for less than sixty days for sudden emergency work involving the loss of human life or destruction of property, the payment of salary or wages may be made to such persons from applicable appropriations for services rendered in such emergency without execution of the affidavit contemplated by this section.

SEC. 508. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation or agency included in this Act shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes to support or defeat legislation pending before the Congress.

SEC. 509. Appropriations of the Department available for research and service work authorized by the Act of August 14, 1946 (7 U. S. C. 427; 7 U. S. C. 1621-1629) shall be available for expenses of any advisory committee established as provided in title III of said Act to assist in effectuating the research and service work of the Department.

This Act may be cited as the “Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act, 1956”.

Approved May 23, 1955.
Public Law 42

CHAPTER 45

AN ACT

To repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is hereby repealed, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops.

Approved May 23, 1955.

Public Law 43

CHAPTER 46

AN ACT

To amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act in order to protect innocent purchasers of fungible goods from claims of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act, as amended (62 Stat. 1070), is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"Sec. 19. Release of Innocent Purchasers of Converted Goods.—A buyer in the ordinary course of business of fungible goods heretofore or hereafter sold and physically delivered by a warehouseman or other dealer who was regularly engaged in the business of buying and selling such goods shall take or be deemed to have taken such goods free of any claim, existing or hereafter arising, by Commodity Credit Corporation, based on the want of authority in the seller to sell such goods, provided the buyer purchased such goods for value in good faith and did not know or have reason to know of any defect in the seller's authority to sell such goods." To be entitled to relief under this section a buyer must assert as an affirmative defense and establish by a preponderance of the evidence the facts necessary to entitle him to such relief.

Approved May 23, 1955.

Public Law 44

CHAPTER 47

AN ACT

To promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, pursuant to subsection (b) of section 1 of Public Law 672, approved August 8, 1950 (50 U. S. C. 151b), the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics is authorized to undertake additional construction, to acquire land, and to purchase and install additional equipment at the following locations:

Langley Aeronautical Laboratory, Hampton, Virginia: Improvements to an existing transonic tunnel and improvements to roads, $3,395,000.

Ames Aeronautical Laboratory, Moffett Field, California: High-speed free-flight facility, range for aerodynamic heating and dynamic stability testing, and data-reduction equipment, $1,055,000.
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland, Ohio: Component research facility for nuclear propulsion, improvements to an existing transonic tunnel, additions to two existing laboratory buildings, repairs and modifications to utility installations, and acquisition of not to exceed 500 acres of land, $8,760,000.

Pilotless Aircraft Station, Wallops Island, Virginia: Fuel-storage magazine, $90,000.

Sec. 2. Any of the approximate costs enumerated in section 1 of this Act may, in the discretion of the Director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, be varied upward 5 per centum to meet unusual cost variations, but the total cost of all work so enumerated shall not exceed $13,500,000.

Sec. 3. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed $13,500,000 to accomplish the purposes of this Act.

Approved May 23, 1955.

Public Law 45

AN ACT
To amend the Act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts", approved May 17, 1910 (40 U. S. C., secs. 104-106), is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 2. That to meet the expenses made necessary by this Act an expenditure of not exceeding $35,000 a year is hereby authorized."

Approved May 25, 1955.

Public Law 46

AN ACT
To authorize the execution of agreements between agencies of the United States and other agencies and instrumentalities for mutual aid in fire protection, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That as used in this Act——

(a) The term "agency head" means the head of any executive department, military department, agency, or independent establishment in the executive branch of the Government;

(b) The term "fire protection" includes personal services and equipment required for fire prevention, the protection of life and property from fire, and fire fighting; and

(c) The term "fire organization" means any governmental entity or public or private corporation or association maintaining fire protection facilities within the United States, its Territories and possessions, and any governmental entity or public or private corporation or association which maintains fire protection facilities in any foreign country in the vicinity of any installation of the United States.

Sec. 2. (a) Each agency head charged with the duty of providing fire protection for any property of the United States is authorized to enter into a reciprocal agreement, with any fire organization maintaining fire protection facilities in the vicinity of such property, for mutual aid in furnishing fire protection for such property and for other property for which such organization normally provides fire protection.
Each such agreement shall include a waiver by each party of all claims against every other party for compensation for any loss, damage, personal injury, or death occurring in consequence of the performance of such agreement. Any such agreement may provide for the reimbursement of any party for all or any part of the cost incurred by such party in furnishing fire protection for or on behalf of any other party.

(b) Any agreement heretofore executed which would have been authorized by this Act, if this Act had been in effect on the date of execution thereof, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SEC. 3. In the absence of any agreement authorized or ratified by section 2, each agency head is authorized to render emergency assistance in extinguishing fires and in preserving life and property from fire, within the vicinity of any place at which such agency maintains fire-protection facilities, when the rendition of such assistance is determined, under regulations prescribed by the agency head, to be in the best interest of the United States.

SEC. 4. Any service performed under section 2 or section 3 of this Act, by any officer or employee of the United States or any member of any armed force of the United States shall constitute service rendered in line of duty in such office, employment, or force. The performance of such service by any other individual shall not constitute such individual an officer or employee of the United States for the purposes of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, as amended.

SEC. 5. Funds available to any agency head for fire protection on installations or in connection with activities under the jurisdiction of such agency may be used to carry out the purposes of this Act. All sums received by any agency head for fire protection rendered pursuant to this Act shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

Approved May 27, 1955.
validly initiated before the date of this Act and thereafter maintained under the mining laws of the United States.

Sec. 2. Section 6 of the Act of May 11, 1938 (52 Stat. 347, 348; 25 U. S. C. 396f), is amended by deleting therefrom "the Papago Indian Reservation in Arizona."

Approved May 27, 1955.

Public Law 48

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making additional appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply additional appropriations (this Act may be cited as the "Second Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1955") for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes, namely:

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", to complete the operations of the Commission as provided by Public Law 41 (S. 1763), Eighty-fourth Congress, §265,475.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

For an additional amount for "Readjustment benefits", $25,000,000, to remain available until expended.

Approved May 27, 1955.

Public Law 49

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Army to convey certain property located in Austin, Travis County, Texas, to the State of Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed, without consideration, to the State of Texas all right, title, and interest of the United States, in and to the following-described land in Austin, Travis County, Texas, together with all buildings, improvements thereon, and all appurtenances and utilities belonging or appertaining thereto, such land including approximately one hundred eighty-nine and eleven one-hundredths acres out of the original two hundred acres known as the Camp Mabry Militia Rifle Range Tract, also referred to as the "old Deison Farm":

Beginning at the southwest corner of the fifty-three-acre tract heretofore conveyed to J. J. Gasser by deed dated February 23, 1895, recorded in volume 129, page 347, of deed records of Travis County,
Texas, said corner also being the southwest corner of the thirty-eight-
and-fifty-five-one-hundredths-acre State tract numbered 2 surveyed
March 30, 1934, by M. V. Homeyer, county surveyor;
Thence north sixty degrees west, with the original line dividing the
Townes and Mabin tracts one thousand one hundred and thirteen varas
to a stone corner on the east line of the W. C. Phillips timber tract;
Thence with the east line of said W. C. Phillips tract, north thirty-
six and one-half degrees east one thousand eight and eighty-two one-
hundredths varas to a point; said point being south thirty-six and one-
half degrees west one hundred thirty and sixty-eight one-hundredths
varas from a stone corner on the south line of the Charles Thiele tract;
Thence south sixty degrees east along the south lines of the United
States Air Force Reserve training center parcel comprising five and
eighty-nine one-hundredths acres, and the United States Army
Reserve, formerly the Organized Reserve Corps, armory parcel com-
prising five acres, four hundred seventy-eight and eight-tenths varas
to a point, the southeast corner of the said Organized Reserve Corps
armory parcel;
Thence north thirty degrees east with and along the east line of
the five-acre Organized Reserve Corps armory parcel, one hundred
twenty-nine and five-tenths varas to a point on the southerly line of
the Charles Thiele tract;
Thence south sixty degrees east one hundred forty-six and eight-
tenths varas to an angle in the stone fence dividing the Deison and
Thiele tracts;
Thence with said fence on the dividing line between the Deison and
Thiele tracts and also the Deison and Reid tracts, south one hundred
and sixty-eight varas to a point;
Thence south fifty-seven degrees east one hundred and sixty varas
to a point;
Thence southeast one hundred and eight varas to a point;
Thence south nine degrees west one hundred varas to a point;
Thence south ten degrees east one hundred varas to a point;
Thence south five degrees west eighty-six varas to a point;
Thence south three degrees east seventy-seven varas to the south-
west corner of the Elanor Reid tract on the north line of the Gasser
fifty-three-acre tract;
Thence north sixty degrees west with the north line of the Gasser
tract, one hundred and forty-seven varas to the northwest corner of
same;
Thence thirty degrees west with the west line of said Gasser
tract, six hundred forty and one-half varas to the place of beginning;
Containing in all one hundred eighty-nine and eleven one-
hundredths acres of land more or less together with all improvements
thereon, said land being the remaining portion of the original two
hundred-acre tract conveyed by deed from Eliza C. J. Deison, et al.,
to the United States of America, dated June 28, 1909, as same appears
of record in volume 239, pages 82-84, inclusive, of the deed records of
Travis County, Texas, after deducting therefrom the five and eighty-
nine one-hundredths-acre United States Air Force parcel and the
five-acre Organized Reserve Corps armory parcel above described, a
total of ten and eighty-nine one-hundredths acres to be retained by
the United States.

Sec. 2. All mineral rights, including gas and oil, in the lands author-
ized to be conveyed by this Act shall be reserved to the United States.

Sec. 3. There shall be further reserved to the United States in the
conveyance of the above-described lands, rights of ingress and egress
over roads in the above-described lands serving buildings or other
works operated by the United States or its successors or assigns in

Mineral rights.

Rights-of-way, etc.
Use of property.

**SEC. 4.** The conveyance of the property authorized by this Act shall be upon condition that such property shall be used for training of the National Guard and the Air National Guard and for other military purposes, and that if the State of Texas shall cease to use the property so conveyed for the purposes intended, then title thereto shall immediately revert to the United States, and in addition, all improvements made during its occupancy by the State of Texas shall vest in the United States without payment of compensation therefor.

National emergency.

**SEC. 5.** The conveyance of the property authorized by this Act shall be upon the further provision that whenever the Congress of the United States declares a state of war or other national emergency, or the President declares a state of emergency, and upon the determination by the Secretary of Defense that the property conveyed under this Act is useful or necessary for military, air, or naval purposes, or in the interest of national defense, the United States shall have the right, without obligation to make payment of any kind, to reenter upon the property and use the same or any part thereof, including any and all improvements made thereon during its occupancy by the State of Texas, for the duration of such state of war or of such emergency. Upon the termination of such state of war or of such emergency plus six months such property shall revert to the State of Texas, together with all appurtenances and utilities belonging or appertaining thereto.

Deed of conveyance.

**SEC. 6.** In executing the deed of conveyance authorized by this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall include specific provisions covering the reservations and conditions contained in sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 of this Act.

Approved June 1, 1955.

Public Law 50

**AN ACT**

To direct the Secretary of the Army to convey certain property located in Polk County, Iowa, and described as Camp Dodge and Polk County Target Range, to the State of Iowa.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed, without consideration, to the State of Iowa all right, title, and interest of the United States, except as retained in this Act, in and to the Camp Dodge Military Reservation, located in Polk County, Iowa, comprising 1,848.32 acres, more or less, and Polk County Target Range, Iowa, comprising 742.34 acres, more or less, both together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and all appurtenances, easements, rights-of-way, and utilities belonging or appurtenant thereto.

**SEC. 2.** All mineral rights, including gas and oil, in the lands authorized to be conveyed by this Act shall be reserved to the United States.

**SEC. 3.** The conveyance of the property authorized by this Act shall be upon condition that such property shall be used for training of the
National Guard and for other military purposes, and that if the State of Iowa shall cease to use the property so conveyed for the purposes intended, then title thereto shall immediately revert to the United States and, in addition, all improvements made during its occupancy by the State of Iowa shall vest in the United States without payment of compensation therefor.

Sec. 4. The conveyance of the property authorized by this Act shall be upon the further provision that whenever the Congress of the United States declares a state of war or other national emergency, or the President declares a state of national emergency, and upon the determination by the Secretary of Defense that the property conveyed under this Act is useful or necessary for military, air, or naval purposes, or in the interest of national defense, the United States shall have the right, without obligation to make payment of any kind, to reenter upon the property and use the same or any part thereof, including any and all improvements made thereon during its occupancy by the State of Iowa, for the duration of such state of war or of such national emergency. Upon the termination of such state of war or of such national emergency plus six months such property shall revert to the State of Iowa, together with all appurtenances and utilities belonging or appertaining thereto.

Sec. 5. In consideration for the conveyance of the lands described in the first section of this Act, the State of Iowa shall agree to use for military purposes only and not to sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of all or any part of certain lands (hereinafter called State lands) and improvements thereon which are owned by the State of Iowa and are used for National Guard purposes in connection with Camp Dodge and Polk County Target Range as of the date of enactment of this Act: Provided, That the improvements on such lands which are now being used by the State of Iowa for other than military purposes may continue to be used for such purposes so long as such use does not interfere with the utilization of such lands for military purposes. The State of Iowa further agrees that it will, prior to delivery of the conveyance authorized herein, file with the Office of the Division Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Farm Credit Building, 206 South Nineteenth Street, Omaha, Nebraska, a description of and inventory of the State-owned property as defined herein. In the event that the State of Iowa at any time shall breach the agreement defined in this section, all right, title, and interest in and to the property conveyed to the State of Iowa by the United States under the provisions of this Act shall revert to the United States without cost. The State shall further agree that in the event that the Congress of the United States declares a state of war or other national emergency, or the President declares a state of national emergency, the use of the State lands and improvements thereon, or any part thereof, shall, upon request of the Secretary of Defense, be used by the United States during such emergency without cost to the United States.

Sec. 6. In executing the deed of conveyance authorized by this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall include specific provisions covering the reservations and conditions contained in sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 of this Act.

Sec. 7. The cost of any surveys necessary as an incident of the conveyance authorized herein shall be borne by the State of Iowa.

Sec. 8. The Secretary of the Army is authorized to determine and enforce compliance with the conditions, reservations, and restrictions contained in this Act and any related documents.

Approved June 1, 1955.
AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments, and the Tax Court of the United States, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I—TREASURY DEPARTMENT

That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Treasury Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses in the Office of the Secretary, including the operation and maintenance of the Treasury Building and Annex thereof; and the purchase of uniforms for elevator operators; $2,680,000.

BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Accounts, $2,600,000: Provided, That Federal Reserve banks and branches may be reimbursed for necessary expenses incident to the deposit of taxes in Government depositories.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, DIVISION OF DISBURSEMENT

For necessary expenses of the Division of Disbursement, $15,475,000.

BUREAU OF THE PUBLIC DEBT

For necessary expenses connected with any public-debt issues of the United States, $44,500,000, to be expended as the Secretary of the Treasury may direct, and the Secretary is authorized to accept services without compensation: Provided, That Federal Reserve banks and branches may be reimbursed for expenditures as fiscal agents of the United States on account of public-debt transactions for the account of the Secretary of the Treasury: Provided further, That the indefinite appropriation provided by section 10 of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended (51 U. S. C. 760), shall not be available for obligation during the current fiscal year.

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Treasurer, $15,000,000: Provided, That Federal Reserve banks and branches may be reimbursed for necessary expenses incident to the verification and destruction of unfit United States paper currency.
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Customs, including purchase of seventy-five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; arms and ammunition; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); and, awards of compensation to informers as authorized by the Act of August 13, 1953 (22 U. S. C. 401); $41,200,000.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Internal Revenue Service, including purchase (not to exceed one hundred and seventy-five of which one hundred are for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); and, of expert witnesses at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner; and ammunition; $282,250,000:

Provided, That not to exceed $400,000 of the amount appropriated herein shall be available for expenses by contract for private facilities and instruction for training of employees under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

BUREAU OF NARCOTICS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Narcotics, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), and of expert witnesses at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner; and ammunition; $2,990,000.

UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the United States Secret Service, including purchase (not to exceed thirty for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; and arms and ammunition; $2,960,000.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, WHITE HOUSE POLICE

For necessary expenses of the White House Police, including uniforms and equipment; and arms and ammunition, purchases to be made in such manner as the President may determine, $500,000.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, GUARD FORCE

For necessary expenses of the guard force for Treasury Department buildings in the District of Columbia, including purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms; and arms and ammunition; $268,000.
For necessary expenses of the Bureau of the Mint, including arms and ammunition; purchase and maintenance of uniforms and accessories for guards; purchase of one passenger motor vehicle (for replacement only); and not to exceed $1,000 for the expenses of the annual assay commission; $3,650,000.

COAST GUARD

OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the operation and maintenance of the Coast Guard, not otherwise provided for, including hire of passenger motor vehicles; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); purchase of not to exceed thirty-two passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; maintenance, operation, and repair of aircraft; and recreation and welfare; $153,750,000: Provided, That the number of aircraft on hand at any one time shall not exceed one hundred and twenty-six exclusive of planes and parts stored to meet future attrition: Provided further, That (a) the unobligated balance of appropriation to the Coast Guard for the fiscal year 1955 for "Operating expenses" shall be transferred on July 1, 1955, to the account established by the Surplus Fund-Certified Claims Act of 1949 for payment of certified claims; (b) amounts equal to the unliquidated obligations on July 1, 1955, against the appropriation "Operating expenses", fiscal year 1955, and the appropriation for "Operating expenses" for the fiscal year 1954 which was merged therewith pursuant to the Treasury Department Appropriation Act, 1955, shall be transferred to and merged with this appropriation, and such merged appropriation shall be available as one fund, except for accounting purposes of the Coast Guard, for the payment of obligations properly incurred against such prior year appropriations and against this appropriation, but on July 1, 1966, there shall be transferred from such merged appropriation to the appropriation for payment of certified claims (1) any remaining unexpended balance of the 1954 appropriation so transferred, and (2) any remaining unexpended balance of the 1955 appropriation so transferred which is in excess of the obligations then remaining unliquidated against such appropriation: Provided further, That except as otherwise authorized by the Act of September 30, 1950 (20 U. S. C. 236–244), this appropriation shall be available for expenses of primary and secondary schooling for dependents of Coast Guard personnel stationed outside the continental United States in amounts not exceeding an average of $250 per student, when it is determined by the Secretary that the schools, if any, available in the locality are unable to provide adequately for the education of such dependents, and the Coast Guard may provide for the transportation of said dependents between such schools and their places of residence when the schools are not accessible to such dependents by regular means of transportation.

ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary expenses of acquisition, construction, rebuilding, and improvement of aids to navigation, shore facilities, vessels, and aircraft, including equipment related thereto; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); $7,000,000, to remain available until expended.
For retired pay, including the payment of obligations therefor otherwise chargeable to lapsed appropriations for this purpose, and payments under the Uniformed Services Contingency Option Act of 1953, $21,300,000.

**RESERVE TRAINING**

For all necessary expenses for the Coast Guard Reserve, as authorized by law (14 U. S. C. 751-762; 37 U. S. C. 231-319), including expenses for regular personnel, or reserve personnel while on active duty, engaged primarily in administration of the reserve program; and the maintenance, operation, and repair of aircraft; $3,175,000: Provided, That (a) the unobligated balance of appropriation to the Coast Guard for the fiscal year 1955 for "Reserve training" shall be transferred on July 1, 1955, to the account established by the Surplus Fund-Certified Claims Act of 1949 for payment of certified claims; (b) amounts equal to the unliquidated obligations on July 1, 1955, against the appropriation "Reserve training", fiscal year 1955, and the appropriation "Reserve training", fiscal year 1954 which was merged therewith pursuant to the Treasury Department Appropriation Act, 1953, shall be transferred to and merged with this appropriation, and such merged appropriation shall be available as one fund, except for accounting purposes of the Coast Guard, for the payment of obligations properly incurred against such prior year appropriations and against this appropriation, but on July 1, 1956, there shall be transferred from such merged appropriation to the appropriation for payment of certified claims (1) any remaining unexpended balance of the 1954 appropriation so transferred and (2) any remaining unexpended balance of the 1955 appropriation so transferred which is in excess of the obligations then remaining unliquidated against such appropriation.

**CORporATIONS**

The following corporations and agencies, respectively, are hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the Budget for the fiscal year 1956 for each such corporation or agency, except as hereinafter provided:

**FEDERAL FACILITIES CORPORATION FUND**

Not to exceed $800,000 shall be available during the fiscal year 1956 for all administrative expenses of the Corporation (including use of the services and facilities of Federal Reserve Banks), to be computed on an accrual basis, and to be exclusive of interest paid, depreciation, capitalized expenditures, expenses in connection with the acquisition, protection, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of real or personal property belonging to the Corporation or in which it has an interest, expenses of services performed on a contract or fee basis in connection with the performance of legal services, and all administrative expenses reimbursable from other Government agencies.
LIQUIDATION OF RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Not to exceed $1,400,000 (to be computed on an accrual basis) of the funds derived from Reconstruction Finance Corporation activities (except those conducted under Section 409 of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950), shall be available during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses incident to the liquidation of said Corporation, including use of the services and facilities of the Federal Reserve banks: Provided, That as used herein the term "administrative expenses" shall be construed to include all salaries and wages, services performed on a contract or fee basis, and travel and other expenses, including the purchase of equipment and supplies, of administrative offices: Provided further, That the limiting amount heretofore stated for administrative expenses shall be increased by an amount which does not exceed the aggregate cost of salaries, wages, travel, and other expenses of persons employed outside the continental United States; the expenses of services performed on a contract or fee basis in connection with the termination of contracts or in the performance of legal services, and all administrative expenses reimbursable from other Government agencies: Provided further, That the distribution of administrative expenses to the accounts of the Corporation shall be made in accordance with generally recognized accounting principles and practices.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—TREASURY DEPARTMENT

SEC. 102. Hereafter, appropriations for the Treasury Department available for the expenses of travel shall be available, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the function or activity for which the applicable appropriation is made.

SEC. 103. Subsection (c) of Private Law 419 of the Eighty-third Congress is hereby amended as follows: In lieu of the last sentence of said subsection insert: "There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Public Health Service for each fiscal year such sums as may be necessary for care and treatment provided under the authority of this subsection."

TITLE II—POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

CONTRIBUTION TO THE POSTAL FUND

For administration and operation of the Post Office Department and the postal service, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate amount of postal revenues for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, as authorized by law (39 U.S.C. 786, 794a), together with an amount from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, equal to the difference between such revenues and the total of the appropriations hereinafter specified and the sum needed may be advanced to the Post Office Department upon requisition of the Postmaster General, for the following purposes, namely:

CURRENT AUTHORIZATIONS OUT OF POSTAL FUND

ADMINISTRATION

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for administration of the postal service, operation of the inspection service, uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114), and conduct of a research and development program, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August
For expenses necessary for the operation and administration of post offices, not otherwise provided for, including uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114), and for other activities conducted by the Post Office Department pursuant to law, $1,870,000,000: Provided, That not to exceed 5 per centum of any appropriation available to the Post Office Department for the current fiscal year may be transferred, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, to any other such appropriation or appropriations; but the appropriation "Administration" shall not be increased by more than $2,000,000 as a result of such transfers: Provided further, That functions financed by the appropriations available to the Post Office Department for the current fiscal year and the amounts appropriated therefor, may be transferred, in addition to the appropriation transfers otherwise authorized in this Act and with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, between such appropriations to the extent necessary to improve administration and operations.

TRANSPORTATION

For expenses necessary for the administration and operation of the postal transportation service, including payments for transportation of domestic and foreign mails by air, land, and water transportation facilities, including current and prior fiscal years settlements with foreign countries for handling of mail: $661,620,500.

FINANCE

For expenses necessary for the administration of the financial services of the Post Office Department, including the procurement of stamps and accountable paper; $17,200,000.

FACILITIES

For expenses necessary for the administration and operation of postal facilities, buildings, vehicles, and field postal communication service; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); procurement of postal supplies and equipment; storage and repair of vehicles owned by, or under control of, units of the National Guard and departments and agencies of the Federal Government where repairs are made necessary because of utilization of such vehicles in the postal service; $157,400,000: Provided, That hereafter collections resulting from damage to Govern-
ment-owned vehicles operated by the Post Office Department shall be credited to applicable appropriations and shall be available for meeting repair cost of such damaged vehicles. Provided further, That hereafter collections from the sale of leather, metal canvas cuttings and old canvas resulting from the manufacture and repair of mail bags and locks, shall be credited to applicable appropriations and shall be available for meeting the cost of such manufacture and repair: Provided further, That the aggregate of annual payments for amortization of principal and interest thereon required by all purchase contracts entered into during the fiscal year 1956 pursuant to the Post Office Department Property Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 521), shall not exceed the unused portion of the $3,000,000 limitation applicable prior to July 1, 1955, under section 202 (i) of said Act.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

SEC. 202. Hereafter, and under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Postmaster General, any funds available to the Post Office Department by appropriation shall be available for expenses of attendance at meetings of technical, scientific, professional, or other similar organizations concerned with the function or activity for which the appropriation concerned is made.

SEC. 203. During the current fiscal year, and under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Postmaster General, not to exceed an aggregate of $100,000 shall be available from any funds available to the Post Office Department, as may be determined by him, for expenses necessary to enable the Department to participate in Federal or non-Federal training programs and for necessary expenses of training officers and employees (both departmental and field postal services) in such subjects or courses of instruction in either Federal or non-Federal facilities as will contribute to the improved performance of their official duties: Provided, That not more than forty-five of such officers and employees may participate in any training program in a non-Federal facility which is of more than ninety days duration.

SEC. 204. Not exceeding $12,000,000 of appropriations in this title shall be available for payment to the General Services Administration of such additional sums as may be necessary for the repair, alteration, preservation, renovation, improvement, and equipment of federally owned property used for postal purposes of which not to exceed $10,000,000 shall be available for improving lighting, color, and ventilation for the specialized conditions in workroom areas.

TITLE III

THE TAX COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses, including contract stenographic reporting services, $1,170,000: Provided, That travel expenses of the judges shall be paid upon the written certificate of the judge.

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that ad-
vocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by
force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit
shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the
affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in
a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member
of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right
to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such
person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that
advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by
force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in
a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a
member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the
right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who
advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the
overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence
and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from
any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of
a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or
imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further,
that the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in sub-
stitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Sec. 402. This Act may be cited as the "Treasury-Post Office Approp-
riation Act, 1956".

Approved June 1, 1955.

Public Law 52

CHAPTER 114

AN ACT

To provide for the conveyance of Jackson Barracks, Louisiana, to the State of
Louisiana, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary
of the Army is authorized and directed to convey to the State of
Louisiana all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and
to so much of the real property comprising Jackson Barracks, Louis-
iana, as is held by the State of Louisiana under lease numbered
W-760-QM-6117 and a license issued by the Secretary of the Army
on July 26, 1952, being in the aggregate one hundred four and six
one-hundredths acres, more or less, in Orleans and Saint Bernard
Parishes, Louisiana, together with improvements thereon, and appur-
tenances thereunto belonging, the property to be used for the training
of the National Guard of Louisiana and for other military purposes,
and the conveyance to be made without monetary consideration
therefor, but subject to the reservation by the United States of all
mineral rights, including oil and gas; the right of reentry and use by
the United States in the event of need therefor during a national
emergency; and the condition and limitation that if the property shall
fail or cease to be used for the training of the National Guard of
Louisiana or for other military purposes, the title to the property so
conveyed shall revert to and vest in the United States, and, in
addition, all improvements made during its occupancy by the State
of Louisiana shall vest in the United States without payment of
compensation therefor.

Sec. 2. The costs of any surveys necessary as an incident of the
conveyance authorized herein shall be borne by the State of Louisiana.

Approved June 1, 1955.
AN ACT

To amend title 18, United States Code, section 871, to provide penalties for threats against the President-elect and the Vice President.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title 18, United States Code, section 871 is amended to read as follows:

§ 871. Threats against President, President-elect, and Vice President

"Whoever knowingly and willfully deposits for conveyance in the mail or for delivery from any post office or by any letter carrier any letter, paper, writing, print, missive, or document containing any threat to take the life of or to inflict bodily harm upon the President of the United States, the President-elect, or the Vice President of the United States, or knowingly and willfully otherwise makes any such threat against the President, President-elect, or Vice President, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than five years, or both."

SEC. 2. The analysis of chapter 41 of title 18, United States Code, immediately preceding section 871 of such title is amended by deleting "871. Threats against President." and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"871. Threats against President, President-elect, and Vice President."

Approved June 1, 1955.

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to pay indemnity for losses and expenses incurred during July 1954 in the destruction, treatment, or processing, under authority of law, of swine, swine carcasses, and products derived from swine carcasses, infected with vesicular exanthema.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to indemnify in an amount equal to 50 per centum, but not exceeding the indemnity paid by the State in which such losses and expenses were incurred, of the losses and expenses incurred by all persons whose swine, swine carcasses, and products derived from swine carcasses were destroyed, treated, or processed, under authority of law, in July 1954, as a result of having been infected with or exposed to the contagious disease known as vesicular exanthema.

SEC. 2. The payment of indemnities under the provisions of this Act shall be limited, in the absence of Federal appraisal, to those losses and expenses where required proof of such losses and expenses has been made to the State in which such losses and expenses were incurred and 50 per centum of such loss and expense has been paid by such State.

SEC. 3. Payments made pursuant to the provisions of this Act shall be made from funds currently available to the Department of Agriculture.

Approved June 1, 1955.
Public Law 55  

CHAPTER 117  

AN ACT  

June 1, 1955  

To amend section 13 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, to authorize the Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 13 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

“Twentieth. Without regard to any limitations or restrictions of this Act, to purchase all assets, except cash, accounts receivable, and reserved mineral interests, held by the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation as a result of loans made on or before July 1, 1947, in the farm credit district in which said bank is situated and to assume the liabilities of said Corporation for future payment funds of borrowers and trustees applicable to said assets. The purchase price of notes and mortgages, purchase money mortgages, and real estate sales contracts shall be equal to the total of the unpaid balances on such items and accrued interest thereon at the date as of which purchase is made, less the total of the liabilities of the Corporation being assumed by the bank as herein provided. The purchase price of real estate, sheriffs' certificates, loans called for foreclosure, loans in suspense, judgments, and any other assets eligible for purchase under this paragraph but not specifically identified herein shall be equal to the fair market value of the assets as determined by agreement. The total consideration for the purchase shall be payable over a period of not more than ten years from the date as of which purchase is made, and upon such terms as shall be agreed upon through negotiation with the Board of Directors of the Corporation.”

Approved June 1, 1955.

Public Law 56  

CHAPTER 118  

AN ACT  

June 1, 1955  

To authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Governor of Alaska is authorized and empowered, notwithstanding any provision of the Organic Act of Alaska, or any other Act of Congress, or any of the Territorial laws, to the contrary, to obtain from the Federal Unemployment Fund, established pursuant to the “Employment Security Administrative Financing Act of 1954” (Public Law 567, Eighty-third Congress, approved August 5, 1954), and subject to the conditions in said Act, such advances as the Territory of Alaska may qualify for and as may be necessary to obtain for the payment of unemployment compensation benefits to claimants entitled thereto under the Alaska employment security law: Provided, That the general fund of the Territory of Alaska from which advances have been made for the payment of unemployment compensation benefits shall be reimbursed from advances made through the Governor of Alaska from the Federal Unemployment Fund.

Approved June 1, 1955.
AN ACT

To authorize certain administrative expenses in the Treasury Department, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury may make the following expenditures:

(a) Expenditures for arms and ammunition required by civilian employees of the Department of the Treasury in the performance of their official duties.

(b) Expenditures to reimburse Federal Reserve banks and branches for necessary expenses for services performed as Government depositaries and as fiscal agents of the United States.

(c) Expenditures not to exceed $10,000 per annum for services or information looking toward the apprehension of narcotic law violators who are fugitives from justice.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to accept services without compensation in connection with the program for the sale of United States public-debt obligations.

SEC. 3. Section 10 of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended (40 Stat. 292; U. S. C., title 31, sec. 760), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence: "During any period for which a definite appropriation has been made for expenses for which this section makes an indefinite appropriation, the definite appropriation shall be available under the terms of this section and the indefinite appropriation shall not be available for obligation."

Approved June 1, 1955.

AN ACT

To amend the Act of January 12, 1951, as amended, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act, 1941.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act of January 12, 1951 (64 Stat. 1257), as amended, is further amended by striking out "1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "1957".

Approved June 1, 1955.

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the reappointment of Doctor Jerome C. Hunsker as Citizen Regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress, which will occur by the expiration of the term of Doctor Jerome C. Hunsker, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, on April 7, 1955, be filled by the reappointment of the present incumbent for the statutory term of six years.

Approved June 3, 1955.
AN ACT
To authorize the waiving of the requirements of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of April 29, 1941, 55 Stat. 147 (40 U. S. C. 270e), is hereby amended to read as follows: “The Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of the Air Force, or the Secretary of the Treasury may waive the Act of August 24, 1935 (49 Stat. 793), with respect to cost-plus-a-fixed fee and other cost-type contracts for the construction, alteration, or repair of any public building or public work of the United States and with respect to contracts for the manufacturing, producing, furnishing, construction, alteration, repair, processing, or assembling of vessels, aircraft, munitions, materiel, or supplies of any kind or nature for the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Coast Guard, respectively, regardless of the terms of such contracts as to payment or title.”

Approved June 3, 1955.

AN ACT
To improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) paragraph (1) of subsection (j) of section 203 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended (1) by inserting after “other supplies” the following: “(whether or not capitalized in a working-capital or similar fund)”, and (2) by adding at the end thereof the following: “In determining whether or not property is to be donated under this subsection, no distinction shall be made between property capitalized in a working-capital fund established pursuant to section 405 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, or any similar fund, and any other property.”

(b) Paragraph (2) of section 203 (j) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: “No property shall be transferred (except surplus property donated in conformity with paragraph (3) of this subsection), until the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare has received from an appropriate State agency or official a certification that such property is usable and needed for educational or public health purposes in the State, and no property shall be transferred pursuant to this paragraph until the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare has determined that such agency or official has conformed to minimum standards of operation prescribed by the Secretary for the disposal of surplus property.”

Sec. 2. (a) Subsection (j) of section 203 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

“(4) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare may impose reasonable terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions upon the use of any single item of property donated under paragraph (2) of this subsection which has an acquisition cost of $2,500 or more.”
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Applicability.
63 Stat. 386. 40 USC 484.
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Cooperative agreements.
Termination of prior restrictions, etc.

(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply only with respect to property donated after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 3. Section 203 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(m) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, or the head of any Federal agency designated by the Secretary, is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with State departments of education or health, and with other State agencies, which are responsible for carrying out in the States the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational purposes and health purposes provided for in subsections (j) or (k) of this section. Such cooperative agreements may provide for utilization by such Federal agency, without payment or reimbursement, of the property, facilities, personnel, and services of the State agency in carrying out such program, and for making available to such State agency, without payment or reimbursement, property, facilities, personnel, or services of such Federal agency in connection with such utilization."

SEC. 4. (a) In the case of personal property donated or sold at a discount for educational, public health or memorial purposes, including research, under any provision of law enacted prior to the enactment of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, no term, condition, reservation, or restriction imposed on the use of such property shall remain in effect after the date of the enactment of this Act. This subsection shall not be deemed to terminate any civil or criminal liability arising out of a violation of such a term, condition, reservation, or restriction which occurred prior to the enactment of this Act, if a judicial proceeding to enforce such liability is pending at the time of, or commenced within one year after the enactment of this Act.

(b) No term, condition, reservation, or restriction imposed upon the use of any single item of property donated under section 203 (j) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 prior to the enactment of this Act which has an acquisition cost of less than $2,500 shall remain in effect after the expiration of the one-year period which begins on the date of the enactment of this Act. This subsection shall not be deemed to terminate any civil or criminal liability arising out of a violation of such a term, condition, reservation, or restriction if (1) such violation occurred prior to the expiration of such one-year period and (2) a judicial proceeding to enforce such liability is pending at the time of enactment of this Act or is commenced not later than one year after the expiration of such one-year period.

SEC. 5. Section 203 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(n) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare shall submit, during each calendar quarter, a report to the Senate (or to the Secretary of the Senate if the Senate is not in session) and to the House of Representatives (or to the Clerk of such House if it is not in session) showing the acquisition cost of all personal property donated under subsection (j) and of all real property disposed of under subsection (k) during the preceding calendar quarter to, or for distribution to, educational or public health institutions in each State, Territory, and possession. The first report under this subsection shall be made with respect to property donated or disposed of during the first calendar quarter which begins after the enactment of this subsection."

SEC. 6. (a) Section 203 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended by striking out the words “Federal Security Administrator” and “Federal Security Agency” wherever
they appear in subsection (j) or (k) of such section, and by inserting in lieu thereof the words “Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare”, and “Department of Health, Education, and Welfare”, respectively.

(b) Section 203 of such Act, as amended by this Act, is further amended (1) by striking out in paragraph (1) of subsection (j) thereof the words “the States, Territories, and possessions” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “any State”, and (2) by adding at the end of such subsection the following new paragraph:

“(5) The term ‘State,’ as used in this subsection, includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the Territories and possessions of the United States.”

(c) Clause (D) of paragraph (1) of subsection (k) of section 203 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended by inserting after “District of Columbia” a comma and the words “the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.”

Approved June 3, 1955.

Public Law 62

AN ACT

To amend section 2 of the Act of March 2, 1945, pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oregon.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the River and Harbor Act approved March 2, 1945, pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oregon, is hereby amended by striking out the amount "$50,000" and substituting in lieu thereof "$185,000."

Approved June 8, 1955.

Public Law 63

AN ACT

To provide for the adjustment of tolls to be charged by the Wayland Special Road District Numbered 1 of Clark County, Missouri, in the maintenance and operation of a toll bridge across the Des Moines River at or near Saint Francisville, Missouri.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in the event that the Wayland Special Road District Numbered 1 of Clark County, Missouri, shall issue toll bridge revenue refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding or redeeming its outstanding 4 per centum toll bridge revenue bonds dated December 1, 1935, which were issued to provide funds for the construction of the bridge authorized by an Act of the Seventy-second Congress, first session, approved February 14, 1933 (Public Law 337), or in the event that the said District shall extend the maturity date or dates of said outstanding bonds, the rates of toll to be charged for the use of said bridge shall be so adjusted as to provide sufficient revenues to pay for the reasonable cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating said bridge and its approaches under economical management and to provide a fund sufficient to pay the principal, interest, and redemption premium, if any, of such toll bridge revenue refunding bonds, or of said outstanding bonds, as soon as possible under reasonable charges, but within a period of not exceeding thirty years from the date of approval of this Act, and such tolls shall be continued until such payments shall have been made.
After such bonds and the interest thereon shall have been paid, said bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls. An accurate record of the expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating said bridge, and of the daily tolls collected, shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved June 8, 1955.

Public Law 64

AN ACT

To amend section 4421 of the Revised Statutes, in order to remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of inspection, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4421 of the Revised Statutes (46 U. S. C. 399), is amended to read as follows:

"4421. When the inspection of a steam vessel is completed and the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating approves the vessel and her equipment throughout, he shall make and subscribe a certificate to that effect. He shall deliver such certificate to the master or owner of the vessel to which it relates, shall keep one copy thereof on file in his office, and shall deliver one copy to the official who is performing the duties of the collector or other chief officer of the customs of the district in which such inspection has been made, who shall keep the same on file in his office. If the Secretary refuses to grant a certificate of approval, he shall make a statement in writing and sign the same, giving the reasons for his disapproval. Upon such inspection and approval the Secretary shall also make and subscribe a temporary certificate, which shall set forth substantially the fact of such inspection and approval, and shall deliver the same to the master or owner of the vessel and shall keep a copy thereof on file in his office. The said temporary certificate shall be carried and exposed by vessels in the same manner as is provided in section 4423 for the regular certificate, and the form thereof and the period during which it is to be in force shall be as prescribed under the authority of section 4405. And such temporary certificate, during such period and prior to the delivery to the master or owner of the regular certificate, shall take the place of and be a substitute for the regular certificate of inspection, as required by this section and by section 4426, and for the purposes of said sections. Such temporary certificate shall also be subject to revocation in the manner and under the conditions provided in section 4453. No vessel required to be inspected under the provisions of this title shall be navigated without having on board an unexpired regular certificate of such inspection or such temporary certificate: Provided, however, That any such vessel operated upon a regularly established line from a port of the United States to a port of a foreign country not contiguous to the United States whose certificate of inspection expires at sea or while said vessel is in a foreign port or a port of Hawaii may lawfully complete her voyage without the regular certificate of inspection or the temporary certificate required by this section, and no liability for penalties imposed by this title for want of such certificate shall be incurred until her voyage shall have been completed: Provided, That said voyage shall be so completed within thirty days after the expiration of said certifi-
crite or temporary certificate: *Provided further,* That no such vessel whose certificate of inspection shall expire within fifteen days of the date of her sailing shall proceed upon her voyage to such port of a foreign country not contiguous to the United States without first having procured a new certificate of inspection or the temporary certificate required by this section."

Approved June 8, 1955.

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CHAPTER 134

AN ACT

Relating to the payment of money orders.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following Acts or parts of Acts are hereby repealed:

(a) Section 4 of the Act of July 16, 1894 (28 Stat. 107), as amended and codified in section 730 of title 39, United States Code.

(b) That part of the Act of May 27, 1908 (35 Stat. 416), as amended and codified in section 731 of title 39, United States Code.

(c) Section 12 of the Act of June 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 1229), as codified in section 725k of title 31, United States Code.

(d) Section 5 of the Act of March 3, 1883, as amended and codified in section 718 of title 39, United States Code.

SEC. 2. No money order heretofore or hereafter issued shall be paid after twenty years from the last day of the month of original issue. Claims for unpaid money orders shall be forever barred unless received by the Post Office Department within such twenty-year period. Any excess of funds accrued because of money orders remaining unpaid may be transferred to postal revenues at such times and in such amounts as the Postmaster General shall determine. The records of the Post Office Department shall serve as the basis for adjudicating claims for payment of money orders.

SEC. 3. Section 2 of this Act shall take effect on the first day of the sixth calendar month beginning after the date of its enactment.

Approved June 8, 1955.

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CHAPTER 135

AN ACT

To continue until the close of June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 2 of the Act of September 30, 1950 (Public Law 869, Eighty-first Congress), is hereby amended by striking out "June 30, 1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1956"; *Provided,* That this Act shall not apply to lead scrap or zinc scrap.

SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall not be construed to affect in any way the application of Public Law 38, Eighty-second Congress, to copper scrap.

Approved June 8, 1955.
AN ACT

To amend title 14, United States Code, entitled “Coast Guard”, to authorize certain early discharges of enlisted personnel, and preserve their rights, privileges, and benefits.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the analysis of chapter 11 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting following and underneath item 369 in such analysis, the following item:

“370. Discharge within three months before expiration of enlistment.”

SEC. 2. Chapter 11 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting, immediately following section 369 thereof, a new section, as follows:

“§ 370. Discharge within three months before expiration of enlistment

“Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, any enlisted man may be discharged at any time within three months before the expiration of his term of enlistment or extended enlistment without prejudice to any right, privilege, or benefit that he would have received, except pay and allowances for the unexpired period not served, or to which he would thereafter become entitled, had he served his full term of enlistment or extended enlistment.”

Approved June 8, 1955.

AN ACT

To increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the “Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955”.

TITLE I—DEFINITIONS, COVERAGE, AND EXEMPTIONS

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 101. For the purposes of this Act—

(1) “Department” means the Post Office Department established by section 388 of the Revised Statutes (5 U. S. C., sec. 361), and the postal field service of the Post Office Department;

(2) “postal field service” includes all operations and organization units of the Department, other than the departmental operations and organization units in the headquarters offices of the Post Office Department at the seat of the Government, and includes postal inspectors assigned to the headquarters offices of the Post Office Department at the seat of the Government;

(3) “employee”, unless the context otherwise indicates, includes postmasters, officers, supervisors, and all other persons employed in the postal field service, regardless of title, other than persons who provide services for the Department on a fee, contract, job, or piecework basis;

(4) “position” means the duties and responsibilities assigned to an employee, other than duties performed on a fee, contract, job, or piecework basis;
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(5) "key position" means an existing position, described in section 203 of this Act;

(6) "salary level" means the numerical standing in the Postal Field Service Schedule assigned to a position in the postal field service;

(7) "basic salary" means the rate of annual or hourly compensation specified by law, exclusive of overtime, night differential, and longevity compensation;

(8) "basic compensation" means basic salary plus longevity compensation; and

(9) "persons" has the meaning prescribed for such word in section 1 of title I of the United States Code.

COVERAGE

Sec. 102. This Act applies to all positions and employees in the postal field service.

TITLE II—RANKING OF POSITIONS

ADMINISTRATION

Sec. 201. (a) The Postmaster General shall determine the personnel requirements of the postal field service, and fix the number of supervisors and other employees in such service, except that not more than one assistant postmaster may be employed at any post office. He shall define the various positions other than the key positions specified in section 203 of this Act and the standard positions of postmaster in a fourth-class office and rural carrier. He shall assign each such position to its appropriate salary level in the Postal Field Service Schedule. He shall ascertain the appropriate salary level of a position (1) by comparing the duties, responsibilities, and work requirements of the position with the duties, responsibilities, and work requirements of key positions described in section 203 of this Act, and (2) by ranking the position in relation to the key position most closely comparable in terms of the level of duties, responsibilities, and work requirements.

(b) In ranking positions, the Postmaster General shall apply the principle of equal pay for substantially equal work and give effect to substantial differences in difficulty of the work to be performed, in the degree of responsibility to be exercised, in the scope and variety of tasks involved, and in the conditions of performance.

(c) There shall not at any one time be more than forty employees in positions assigned to salary level 17, twelve employees in positions assigned to salary level 18, four employees in positions assigned to salary level 19, or fifteen employees in positions assigned to salary level 20.

(d) The Postmaster General's determinations under this section shall be the basis for the payment of compensation and for personnel transactions.

APPEALS

Sec. 202. Any employee, either individually or together with one or more other employees with a similar grievance, may appeal at any time, in person or through his representative specifically designated for that purpose, to the United States Civil Service Commission to review (1) if such employee is in a position other than a key position described in section 203 of this Act, any action taken by the Postmaster General under section 201 of this Act, in order to determine whether his position has been placed in its appropriate salary level in accordance with such section, and (2) if such employee is in a key position

described in section 203 of this Act, any administrative action taken or determination made under this Act, in connection with such employee, in order to determine whether such employee has been placed correctly in a key position on the basis of and in accordance with the descriptions of key positions and the assignments of such positions to salary levels specified in section 203 of this Act. The Commission shall act upon such appeal at the earliest practicable time, and its decision on such appeal shall be certified forthwith to the Postmaster General who shall take action in accordance with such certificate.

KEY POSITIONS

Sec. 203. Key positions in the postal field service consisting of standard, related tasks commonly performed in that service are described and assigned to salary levels in the Postal Field Service Schedule, as follows:

(1) POSITION.—JANITOR—LEVEL 1.
Basic Function.—Cleans, sweeps, and removes trash from work areas, lobbies, and washrooms.
Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Sweeps and scrubs floors and stairs, dusts furniture and fixtures, cleans washrooms and washes windows (except exterior glass in high buildings).
(B) Moves furniture and helps erect equipment and fixtures within offices of the building.
(C) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:
   (i) Cleans ice and snow from the sidewalks and driveways, and tends the lawn, shrubbery, and premises of the post office.
   (ii) Washes walls and ceilings.
Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a foreman or other designated supervisor.

(2) POSITION.—ELEVATOR OPERATOR—LEVEL 2.
Basic Function.—Operates a freight or passenger elevator.
Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Operates elevator.
(B) Cleans cab of elevator and polishes metal fittings.
(C) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:
   (i) Pushes handcarts of mail on and off elevator or assists in loading or unloading material carried on elevator.
   (ii) Tends the heating plant or performs cleaning duties in the vicinity of the elevator.
Organizational Relationships.—Reports to an elevator starter or other designated supervisor.

(3) POSITION.—ORDER FILLER—LEVEL 2.
Basic Function.—Selects, assembles, and makes ready for shipment items requisitioned by postal field establishments.
Duties and Responsibilities.—
Is assigned any of the following duties:
(A) Separates sheets of the requisition form, fastens copies to clipboards and places on appropriate conveyor line.
(B) Clarifies writing on carbon copies of requisitions in order to minimize errors in filling requisitions.
(C) Sets up and prepares shipping containers.
(D) Places in cartons on conveyor lines the quantities of items requisitioned from an assigned station, indicating action taken opposite each item.
(E) Fills and labels bulk shipping orders and moves bulk material to dispatch area.
Replenishes from stock items stored in individual stations and keeps stations neat and orderly to facilitate filling of requisitions.

Transports bulk and individual shipments on hand trucks.

Assembles materials for each requisition where conveyor lines converge.

Places cartons on assembly table for coordination and packing.

Checks requisition copies and items to assure that proper action has been taken.

Directs items not requiring packing to dispatch area.

Combines shipments to reduce packing.

Transmits bulk slips and shipping labels to the appropriate person.

Labels bulk and individual packages with printed labels to avoid hand labeling.

Prepares labels by use of appropriate rubber stamps.

Seals cartons with stapling machine or tape.

Packs supplies for shipment.

Stacks and truck completed orders.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Reports to a foreman or other designated supervisor.

Clerk, Third-Class Post Office—Level 2.

Basic Function.—Sorts incoming and dispatches outgoing mail for a small number of points of separation and destination; provides a limited number of services at public windows.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Sorts incoming mail for general delivery, lock boxes, and one or more delivery routes.

(B) Postmarks and prepares mail for dispatch by train or other mail route; closes, locks, and affixes labels to pouches and mail sacks.

(C) Performs services at a public window, such as selling stamps, stamped envelopes, or other routine functions.

(D) As the needs of the service require, may perform other related duties incidental to the operation of the post office.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a postmaster.

Guard—Level 3.

Basic Function.—Makes rounds of the post office building, and punches clocks at designated stations.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Patrols buildings, punching watchman’s clock where furnished, checking door and window locks, noting and reporting fire hazards and other irregularities, such as running water and unclosed doors and windows.

(B) Sounds fire alarm.

(C) Preserves order in corridors and, when necessary, detains persons for interrogation by post-office inspectors or local police.

(D) In addition may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Gives directions to the public in building lobby.

(ii) Raises and lowers the flag.

(iii) Retrieves lost and found articles and delivers them to the appropriate place.

(iv) Obtains names of victims, doctors, police, and witnesses in the event of accident.

(v) Guards property entrances and prevents damage to property by the public.

(vi) Tends the heating plant of the building.

(vii) Operates elevators on a relief basis.

(viii) Does incidental cleaning and laboring work.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a lieutenant of the guard, a building superintendent, or other designated supervisor.
(6) POSITION.—FILE CLERK—LEVEL 3.
Basic Function.—Sets up and maintains files on one or more subject matters.
Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Prepares new file folders and maintains existing folders in correct order as prescribed in the established filing system.
(B) Transmits folders or information contained therein to authorized personnel (for example, forwards personnel folders to requesting supervisors, or copies data from folders to satisfy requests).
(C) Opens, sorts, and searches file material, and maintains files in up-to-date condition.
(D) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:
   (i) Types from rough draft or plain copy.
   (ii) Answers telephones.
   (iii) Prepares requisitions for supplies.
   (iv) Operates a mimeograph machine.
Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a designated supervisor.

(7) POSITION.—TYPIST—LEVEL 3.
Basic Function.—Types material such as forms, correspondence, and stencils from rough draft or plain copy.
Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) In accordance with instructions and information furnished by supervisor, types forms, standard reports, and documents such as invitations to bid, orders, contracts, invoices, personnel actions, and related materials.
(B) Types correspondence and memoranda from rough drafts or general information.
(C) Cuts stencils for instructions, circulars, and other general uses.
(D) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:
   (i) Transcribes from a dictating machine.
   (ii) Operates a mimeograph machine.
   (iii) Files, checks requisitions, prepares vouchers, and answers the telephone.
Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a designated supervisor.

(8) POSITION.—MAIL HANDLER—LEVEL 3.
Basic Function.—Loads, unloads, and moves bulk mail, and performs other duties incidental to the movement and processing of mail.
Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Unloads mail received by trucks. Separates all mail received by trucks and conveyors for subsequent dispatch to other conveying units, and separates and delivers working mails for delivery to distribution areas.
(B) Places empty sacks or pouches on racks, labels them where labels are prearranged or racks are plainly marked, dumps mail from sacks, cuts ties, faces letter mail, carries mail to distributors for processing, places processed mail into sacks, removes filled sacks and pouches from racks, closes and locks same. Picks up sacks, pouches, and outside pieces, separates outgoing bulk mails for dispatch and loads mail onto trucks.
(C) Handles and sacks empty equipment, inspects empty equipment for mail content, restrings sacks.
(D) Cancels stamps on parcel post, operates canceling machines, carries mail from canceling machine to distribution cases.
(E) Assists in supply and slip rooms and operates addressograph, mimeograph, and similar machines.
(F) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Acts as armed guard for valuable registry shipments and as watchman and guard around post office building.

(ii) Makes occasional simple distribution of parcel post mail requiring no scheme knowledge.

(iii) Operates electric fork-lift trucks.

(iv) Rewraps soiled or broken parcels.

(v) Performs other miscellaneous duties, such as stamping tickets, weighing incoming sacks, cleaning and sweeping in workrooms, offices, and trucks where such work is not performed by regular cleaners.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Reports to a foreman or other designated supervisor.

(9) POSITION.—GARAGEMAN—LEVEL 3.

BASIC FUNCTION.—Performs a variety of routine services incidental to the proper maintenance of motor vehicles.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Lubricates trucks in accordance with lubrication charts and type of truck.

(B) Changes crankcase oil and filter cleaners and cleans case in conformance with instructions and vehicle mileage.

(C) Changes tires and makes necessary repairs.

(D) Washes and steam-cleans trucks.

(E) Assists automotive mechanics.

(F) Fuels and oils trucks.

(G) Cleans garage, garage office, swing room, and washroom, as assigned.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Reports to a foreman of mechanics or other designated supervisor.

(10) POSITION.—MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR—LEVEL 4.

BASIC FUNCTION.—Operates a mail truck on a regularly scheduled route to pick up and transport mail in bulk.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Picks up and delivers bulk quantities of mail at stations, branch offices, and terminal points; as required, picks up mail from collection boxes and deposits mail in relay boxes.

(B) Operates truck in conformity with time schedules and rules of safety, and in accordance with instructions regarding the route for which responsible.

(C) Ascertains the condition of the truck prior to leaving and upon returning to the garage; reports all accidents, mechanical defects noted, and mechanical failures while on route.

(D) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Drives a tractor and semitrailer on occasion, unloading bagged mail and packages at post offices and picking up mail for delivery to a central point.

(ii) Prepares daily trip reports showing work performed.

(iii) Makes minor mechanical repairs to truck in emergencies while on route.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Reports to a superintendent of motor vehicles or other designated supervisor.

(11) POSITION.—CITY OR SPECIAL CARRIER OR SPECIAL DELIVERY MESSENGER—LEVEL 4.

BASIC FUNCTION.—Is responsible for the prompt and efficient delivery and collection of mail on foot or by vehicle under varying conditions in a prescribed area within a city. As a representative of the postal service, maintains pleasant and effective public relations with
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Routes or cases all classes of mail in sequence of delivery along an established route. Rearranges and relabels cases as required by route adjustments and changes in deliveries.

(B) Withdraws mail from the distribution case and prepares it in sequence for efficient delivery by himself or a substitute along an established route. Prepares and separates all classes of mail to be carried by truck to relay boxes along route for subsequent delivery.

(C) Enters change of address orders in change of address book and on appropriate form. Readdresses mail to be forwarded and marks for appropriate handling other mail addressed to route patrons who have moved. Sorts such mail into throw-back case for convenient handling by clerks.

(D) Delivers mail along a prescribed route, on a regular schedule, picking up additional mail from relay boxes. Collects mail from street letter boxes and accepts letters for mailing from patrons. Such service may be rendered on foot or by vehicle and in some instances may consist exclusively of parcel post delivery or collection of mail.

(E) Delivers and collects charges on customs, postage-due, and c. o. d. mail matter. Delivers and obtains receipts for registered and certain insured mail. Receipts for such matter, except insured mail, at the post office before beginning route and accounts for it upon return by payments of the amounts collected and delivery of receipts taken.

(F) Deposits mail collected in the post office upon return from route; faces such mail for stamp cancellation.

(G) Checks, and corrects if necessary, mailing cards presented by advertisers bearing names and addresses of patrons or former patrons of the route.

(H) Furnishes patrons with postal information when requested, and provides change of address cards and other postal forms as requested.

(I) Reports to supervisor all unusual incidents or conditions relating to mail delivery, including condition of street letter boxes and timecards.

(J) Regular city carriers assigned to foot delivery routes are required to become proficient in the casing of mail on at least one other foot delivery route.

(K) Substitute city carriers may be assigned to perform clerical duties and may be required to pass examinations on schemes of city primary distribution.

(L) Special-delivery carriers and special-delivery messengers receive special-delivery mail for delivery and sign c. o. d. and registered items at post office before beginning route; deliver on foot and by vehicle special-delivery mail to patrons; obtain signatures when required; collect amounts and fees on c. o. d.'s; in case of absent patrons, exercise judgment in determining whether to leave mail or leave notice and return mail to post office; return receipts and moneys collected to authorized personnel at post office.

(M) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Checks hotels and other such establishments to insure that mail for residents undeliverable as addressed is not improperly held.

(ii) Delivers stamps or other paper supplies to contract or classified stations.

(iii) Serves at carriers' delivery window.
(iv) Receives and registers, where practical, all letters and packages of first-class matter properly offered for registration and gives receipt therefor.

(v) Makes delivery on other routes as assigned.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a postmaster or assistant postmaster, or other designated supervisor.

(12) Position.—Distribution Clerk—Level 4.

Basic Function.—Separates mail in a post office, terminal, airmail field, or other postal facility in accordance with established schemes, including incoming or outgoing mail or both.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Makes primary and one or more secondary distributions of incoming mail by delivery point (for example, classified or contract station or branch or other delivery unit, general delivery, lockboxes, rural or star route, or city carrier route) based on a knowledge of the distribution scheme established for that office.

(B) Makes primary and one or more secondary distributions of outgoing mail for dispatch (for example, by city, State, region, train, highway or railway post office, or airmail flight) based on a knowledge of the distribution scheme prescribed by the Postal Transportation Service.

(C) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Maintains records of mails.

(ii) Examines balances in advance deposit accounts.

(iii) Faces and cancels mail.

(iv) Ties mail and inserts facing slips.

(v) Opens and dumps pouches and sacks.

(vi) Operates canceling machines.

(vii) Records and bills mail (for example, c. o. d., registered, and so forth) requiring special service.

(viii) Renders service at public windows.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a foreman or other designated supervisor.

(13) Position.—Window Clerk—Level 4.

Basic Function.—Performs a variety of services at a public window of a post office or post office branch or station. As a representative of the postal service, maintains pleasant and effective public relations with patrons and others requiring a general familiarity with postal laws, regulations, and procedures commonly used.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Sells postage stamps, stamped paper, cards, internal revenue stamps, migratory bird stamps, and postal savings stamps and certificates.

(B) Accepts from and, after proper identification, delivers to patrons parcel post, insured, c. o. d., and registered mail; makes collection of required postage, issues necessary receipts, and issues general delivery mail to patrons.

(C) Verifies second-, third-, and fourth-class mailings, computing and maintaining on a current basis mailers' credit balances.

(D) Assigns special delivery and registered mail for delivery.

(E) Checks and sets post office stamp-vending machines, postage meters, and large mailers' stamp permit meters.

(F) Receives, follows up, and recommends action on patrons' claims and complaints.

(G) Issues and cashes foreign and domestic money orders and postal savings certificates.

(H) Rents post office boxes, receives rental payments, conducts reference checks, and completes related forms.
(I) Provides information to the public concerning postal regulations, mailing restrictions, rates, and other matters involving postal transactions.

(j) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:
   (i) Makes emergency carrier relays.
   (ii) Assists in alien registration and census matters.
   (iii) Separates and distributes mail.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a postmaster, assistant postmaster, or other designated supervisor.

(14) POSITION.—AUTOMOTIVE MECHANIC—LEVEL 5.

Basic Function.—Repairs mail trucks, including the removal and installation of complete motors, clutches, transmissions, and other major component parts.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Diagnoses mechanical and operating difficulties of vehicles, repairing defects, replacing worn or broken parts.

(B) Adjusts and tunes up engines, cleaning fuel pumps, carburetors, and radiators; regulates timing, and makes other necessary adjustments to maintain in proper operating condition trucks that are in service.

(C) Repairs or replaces automotive electrical equipment such as generators, starters, ignition systems, distributors, and wiring; installs and sets new spark plugs.

(D) Conducts road tests of vehicles after repairs, noting performance of engine, clutch, transmission, brakes, and other parts.

(E) Operates standard types of modern garage testing equipment.

(F) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:
   (i) Removes, disassembles, reassembles, and installs entire engines.
   (ii) Overhauls transmission, rear end assemblies, and braking systems.
   (iii) Straightens frames and axles, welding broken parts where required.
   (iv) Makes road calls to make emergency repairs.
   (v) Makes required truck inspections.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a foreman of mechanics or other designated supervisor.

(15) POSITION.—TRANSFER CLERK—LEVEL 5.

Basic Function.—Arranges for transfer of mail at junction points between trains and other mail units and observes the separation, loading and unloading of mail by railroad employees to make certain that this is done properly.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Provides for the most expeditious transfer of mail from observations of the operation of trains, star route, or mail messenger vehicles, Government-owned vehicles and platform vehicles.

(B) Examines outgoing and incoming cars to determine maximum utilization of space and proper adherence to railroad safety requirements; reports findings, when necessary, to the district superintendent.

(C) Decides whether outbound cars in full authorizations should be held beyond the first available dispatches in order to obtain fuller loading and maximum utilization of the space paid for, making certain that this will not unduly delay the arrival of the mail at destination.

(D) Studies the routing and loading of mail dispatched from his station in storage cars in order to recommend changes which would bring about economies in line haul and terminal charges and effect earlier arrival. Gives similar attention to incoming mail to assure that dispatching divisions are using best routing and loading methods; reports facts to the district superintendent.
(E) Maintains close liaison with foremen of appropriate incoming and outgoing trains and vehicles to assure prompt receipt and expeditious dispatch of mail.

(F) Keeps informed on local holding orders for each outgoing dispatch and requests that departure of unit within these limitations be withheld when scheduled connections are delayed.

(G) Prepares list of railroad cars (except railway post office cars) in which mail is loaded, and maintains record of mail loaded and unloaded in outgoing and incoming trains. Serves notice on railroad company to cancel operation and purchases lesser storage unit in its place when necessary. Prepares official diagram and appropriately labels outgoing cars to indicate destination or next relay point.

(H) Inspects the loading and unloading of storage mail to secure individual piece count of lesser storage units (thirty feet and less); estimates volume when more than thirty feet.

(I) Observes and reports to designated supervisor any failure of the railroad company to afford protection for the mail.

(J) Qualifies periodically through examination on knowledge of distributing schemes, postal regulations, space rules, and train connections.

(K) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Receipts for, transfers, and delivers registered mail between trains or between train and post office.

(ii) Distributes mail prescribed for distribution in transfer office.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a foreman or other designated supervisor.


Basic Function.—Distributes mail in railway or highway post office prior to departure and while en route.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Determines the fastest or most expeditious dispatch of mail from the standpoint of assignment. In emergencies, such as floods, storms, wrecks, strikes, and missed connections, redistributes the mail so as to reach destination by the most expeditious alternative means, for example, by other railway post office or highway post office, airmail route, or star route.

(B) Distributes mail rapidly into letter case or pouches and sacks.

(C) Hangs pouches and sacks in racks and places labels in holders provided; labels letter cases in accordance with official diagram.

(D) Prepares mail for dispatch, involving labeling and tying of letter mail in packages for distribution in pouches, closing and locking sacks and pouches, and maintenance of proper separations for connections en route.

(E) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Receives and dispatches mail en route.

(ii) Unloads mail and equipment at terminal of run.

(iii) Examines car to ascertain that no mail is left.

(iv) Convoys registered mail to post office and connecting lines.

(F) Qualifies through examination periodically on knowledge of distributing schemes, postal regulations, space rules, and train schedules.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to a foreman in charge of the railway post office car or highway post office.

(17) Position.—CLAIMS CLERK, PAYING OFFICE—LEVEL 5.

Basic Function.—Examines claims for loss or damage of insured or c. o. d. mail matter and determines and approves for payment the amount found to be due under postal regulations.
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—
(A) Receives and reviews prescribed claim papers to ascertain whether:
   (i) All necessary items of the appropriate claim form have been properly completed.
   (ii) Proof of value has been properly determined.
   (iii) Appropriate check has been made of applicable records.
   (iv) Other necessary information has been supplied.
(B) Determines whether amount of claim exceeds amount of loss and the proper amount payable is within the limits of the indemnity.
(C) Conducts necessary correspondence in connection with the claim.
(D) Approves amount to be paid, and directs disposition of damaged articles.
(E) Maintains prescribed record of claims.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Reports to an assistant postmaster or other designated supervisor.

19) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, SMALL THIRD-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 5.
Basic Function.—Is responsible for all operations of a small third-class post office, including actual performance of mail processing and window service, disbursement of funds and preparation of required reports. This office has no employees other than the postmaster and a replacement to serve during his leave; has annual receipts of approximately $1,700; has no rural delivery service within its jurisdiction.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—
(A) Conducts the activities of the office in such manner as to provide prompt and efficient postal service to the patrons of the office.
(B) Maintains direct contact with the public and gives personal attention to complaints.
(C) Sorts incoming mail for boxholders and general delivery; faces, cancels, sorts by destination, ties and sacks outgoing mail.
(D) At a window delivers general delivery mail, issues and cashes money orders, delivers c. o. d. and customs mail, accepts and delivers parcel post, registered and insured mail, sells stamps and stamped paper, and collects box rents.
(E) Prepares and submits estimates of operating allowances as required.
(F) Makes deposits of accountable funds; requisitions stamps and stamped paper; requisitions supplies; pays authorized bills.
(G) Maintains required office records; prepares and submits necessary reports in accordance with instructions.
(H) Maintains files for the office.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

Basic Function.—Audits carriers' claims for the transportation of mail to insure their accuracy and correctness of form prior to certifying them for payment.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—
(A) Checks original or draft of claims submitted by carriers using space procurement data, records of air carrier flights and weight allocations, reports of railroad space utilization, emergency space procured, and other pertinent reports and data submitted by the districts.
(B) Corrects errors in drafts of claims and returns them to the carrier for resubmission in final corrected form.
(C) Expedites the processing of claims by continuous coordination with the carriers to minimize the incidence of error on claims submitted.
(D) Rechecks resubmitted claims prior to certifying them for payment.
(E) Maintains records pertinent to carrier claims such as unscheduled air carrier flights, weight allocations for mail on flights of air carriers, and air line flight schedules.
(F) Accumulates data and prepares periodic and special reports on subjects related to the purchase and use of railroad space, and air carrier weight allocation.

Organizational Relationships.—Reports to the supervisor in charge of the fiscal section in a Postal Transportation Service division office or other designated supervisor.

(20) Position.—Postmaster, Third-Class Office—Level 6.

Basic Function.—Is responsible for all operations of a third-class post office, including actual performance of mail processing and window services, disbursement of funds and preparation of required reports. This office has one part time clerical employee; has annual receipts of approximately $4,700; has no rural delivery service within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Supervises and conducts the activities of the office in order to provide prompt and efficient postal service to patrons.
(B) Maintains direct contact with the public and gives personal attention to complaints.
(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations.
(D) Sorts incoming mail for boxholders and general delivery; faces, cancels, sorts by destination, ties and sacks outgoing mail.
(E) At a window delivers general delivery mail, issues and cashes money orders, delivers c. o. d. and customs mail, accepts and delivers parcel post, registered and insured mail, sells stamps and stamped paper, and collects box rents.
(F) Makes required deposits of accountable funds; requisitions stamps and stamped paper; requisitions supplies; pays authorized bills and makes salary disbursements.
(G) Prepares and submits annual estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances as required.
(H) Maintains required office records; prepares and submits necessary reports in accordance with instructions.
(I) Maintains files for the office.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

(21) Position.—Foreman, Mails—Level 7.

Basic Function.—Supervises a group of employees engaged in carrying out assigned tasks connected with the processing of incoming or outgoing mail.

Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Lays out work for employees; insures attendance to duties and proper performance of assignments; shifts employees from one assignment to another to meet fluctuations in workload; answers questions respecting work progress.
(B) Trains new employees and provides continuous on-the-job training for all employees under his supervision.
(C) Reports unusual difficulties to a general foreman and suggests solutions. Personally resolves problems of a routine nature.
(D) Keeps required records for such matters as time, mail on hand, and mail processed.

(E) Recommends personnel actions respecting subordinates; maintains morale among the employees in the group; adjusts complaints; supplies leadership necessary to secure maximum interest and effort from men and promotes cooperation and harmony.

**Organizational Relationships.**—Administratively responsible to a general foreman or other designated superior. Supervises approximately twenty or more employees.

**(22) POSITION.—** POSTMASTER, THIRD-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 7.

**Basic Function.**—Is responsible for all operations of a third-class post office, including actual participation in processing of mail and window services, disbursement of funds and preparation of required reports. This office has two clerical employees and annual receipts of approximately $6,000, and rural delivery service within its jurisdiction.

**Duties and Responsibilities.**—

(A) Supervises the activities of the office in order to provide expeditious handling of the mails, and efficient and courteous postal service to patrons.

(B) Maintains direct contact with the public and gives personal attention to complaints.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Department and Civil Service Regulations; selects personnel and trains them in their respective positions.

(D) Directs the activities of employees; arranges working schedules of employees and is responsible for the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System.

(E) Distributes incoming mail for carrier delivery, boxholders and general delivery; faces, cancels, distributes, ties and sacks outgoing mail; performs general delivery window services; issues and cashes money orders; delivers c. o. d. and customs mail; sells stamps, stamped paper, savings bonds, postal savings stamps and certificates, migratory and documentary stamps, and collects box rents.

(F) Checks financial accountability of employees in accordance with existing instructions; makes daily deposits of accountable funds in local bank; obtains bids for proposed purchases; requisitions supplies; issues checks for employees' salaries and other official disbursements.

(G) Prepares annual estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for submission as required.

(H) Prepares reports of a recurring nature, reflecting various transactions of the office, such as personnel salary summaries, retirement and withholding tax data, cost estimates, money order and bond summaries and schedules of disbursement.

(I) Maintains all files for the office.

**Organizational Relationships.**—Administratively responsible to a district manager.


**Basic Function.**—Directs mail service operations in a railway post office train with two or more authorized cars. Supervises a crew of foremen and clerks whose primary function is the distribution and exchange of mails en route.

**Duties and Responsibilities.**—

(A) Provides for the proper distribution, exchange, and dispatch of mail regularly assigned for handling in the railway post office cars. Makes decisions concerning the most expeditious dispatch, rerouting and utilization of alternative connections involving irregularly received mail and also in emergency situations.
(B) Directs mail service operations in the railway post office train including:

(i) Rapid distribution of all classes of mail in accordance with official diagrams and via most advantageous routing.

(ii) Handling, recording, and protection of registered mails.

(iii) Makeup and exchange of mail at intermediate and terminal offices.

(iv) Proper utilization of space in each railway post office car with relation to other storage space in train and, except as charged to transfer clerks, for proper handling of all storage mail in train.

(v) Loading and unloading of railway post office cars to assure maximum use of available storage space without additional cost.

(vi) Proper usage of mail equipment and supplies.

(vii) Maintenance of distribution schemes and schedules of mail routes in corrected condition.

(C) Supervises the activities of foremen and clerks in the cars and reassigns them to various duties as may be required to complete maximum distribution. Instructs clerks on proper practices and procedures and reports failures to meet operating standards to the district superintendent.

(D) Inspects condition of railway post office cars and reports to the railroad company unsatisfactory situations.

(E) Completes trip report form covering service operations, including particulars of train operation, roster of clerks on duty, mails received, worked, and dispatched, and mails not worked; prepares a list of all cars on train in which mail is carried, a record of the mail, and a report of any irregularities in service. Observes and reports to district superintendent any failure of the railroad company to afford protection to the mail.

(F) May personally distribute letter mail for one or more States, and maintain record of pouches received and dispatched.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a district superintendent or other designated superior. Directs, through one or more subordinate foremen, clerks assigned to the run.

(24) Position.—Assistant Postmaster, Small First-Class Post Office—Level 8.

Basic Function.—Serves as the overall assistant to the postmaster, providing general direction and supervision over mails, finance, personnel, and other related activities. This office has approximately sixteen employees, annual receipts of approximately $63,000, and eight carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Participates in the organization and management of the office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to patrons.

(B) Reviews and evaluates recommendations referred to the postmaster by subordinates with respect to promotions and disciplining of post office personnel; generally oversees the training of all personnel for their respective positions.

(C) Directs a continuous audit program concerning the accountability of responsible finance employees of the office.

(D) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for action of the postmaster.

(E) Analyzes and reports to the postmaster the daily manpower expenditures and is responsible through designated subordinates for maintaining proper apportionment of authorized allowances to operating units.
(F) Gives assistance and direction to key subordinate employees in planning and executing the mail handling, finance, and administrative programs of the post office.

(G) Reviews reports and recommendations of subordinates and attends to administrative matters essential to the management of the post office.

(H) Represents the postmaster in relationships with the public in the area, including representation with employee organizations.

(I) May personally handle window transactions and perform work elsewhere in the office as the workload requires.

(J) Assumes complete responsibility and authority for the post office in the postmaster's absence and at other times as required.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to the postmaster.


Basic Function.—Is responsible for all operations of a second-class post office, including actual participation in processing of mail and window services, disbursement of funds and preparation of required reports. This office has approximately six employees, annual receipts of approximately $16,000, and has rural delivery service within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Supervises and coordinates the activities of the office in order to provide expeditious handling of the mails, and efficient and courteous postal service to patrons.

(B) Maintains direct contact with the public on administrative matters and gives personal attention to complaints.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; selects personnel and trains them in their respective positions.

(D) Directs the activities of employees; arranges working schedules of employees; recommends promotions of employees; is responsible for the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System.

(E) Distributes incoming mail for carrier delivery, boxholders and general delivery; faces, cancels, distributes, ties and sacks outgoing mail; performs general delivery window service; issues and cashes money orders; delivers c. o. d. and customs mails; accepts and delivers parcel post, registered and insured mail, sells stamps, stamped paper, savings bonds, postal savings stamps and certificates, migratory and documentary stamps, and collects box rents.

(F) Checks financial accountability of employees in accordance with existing instructions; makes daily deposits of accountable funds in local bank; obtains bids for proposed purchases; requisitions supplies; issues checks for employees' salaries and other official disbursements.

(G) Prepares annual estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for submission as required.

(H) Prepares reports of a recurring nature, reflecting various transactions of the office, such as personnel salary summaries, retirement and withholding tax data, cost estimates, money order and bond summaries and schedules of disbursement.

(I) Maintains all files for the office.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

(26) POSITION.—General Foreman, Mails—Level 9.

Basic Function.—Directs foremen in the distribution of all or part of incoming mails, outgoing mails, or both, at a first-class post office.
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—
(A) Lays out work for foremen at the beginning of a tour and issues instructions.
(B) Oversees work in progress to prevent accumulation of mail.
(C) Insures that mail is distributed in accordance with established orders and instructions.
(D) Shifts men from one foreman to another to keep mails moving.
(E) Reports difficulties and suggests corrective measures to superior.
(F) Maintains required records.
(G) Assures that adequate on-the-job training is carried out to promote employee proficiency.
(H) Reviews and forwards recommendations of foremen respecting discipline, promotions, or changes in assignments; approves time and leave requests; submits manpower estimates.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to a superintendent or assistant superintendent or other designated superior. Directs, through approximately four foremen, employees as assigned.

(27) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, SMALL FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 9.
BASIC FUNCTION.—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, personnel, and other related activities. This office has approximately sixteen employees, annual receipts of approximately $63,000, and city delivery service consisting of eight carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—
(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to the patrons.
(B) Maintains direct contact with the public on administrative matters and gives personal attention to complaints.
(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained for their respective positions.
(D) Directs the activities of employees; arranges working schedules of employees; recommends promotions of employees and is responsible for the proper administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System.
(E) Checks financial accountability of employees in accordance with existing instructions; makes daily deposits of accountable funds in local bank; obtains bids for proposed purchases; requisitions supplies.
(F) Prepares annual estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for submission as required.
(G) Prepares reports of a recurring nature, reflecting various transactions of the post office; submits postmaster's accounts with supporting vouchers and documents in accordance with existing instructions.
(H) Advertises for bids for various services, including contract stations, vehicular service, mail messenger service, and vehicular maintenance service, and submits bids, with recommendations, as required.
(I) Directs the maintenance of files for the office.
(J) May personally handle window transactions and perform work elsewhere in the office as the workload requires.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

(28) POSITION.—BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT—LEVEL 10.
BASIC FUNCTION.—Directs the janitorial, maintenance, and operating services of a large post office building and branches and stations

covering an aggregate area of approximately 700,000 square feet, including security, heating and ventilating, mechanical and electrical equipment, and elevator services.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Plans and prepares work schedules and supervises the custodial forces in cleaning, heating, guarding, operating, and repairing the post office building and equipment.

(B) Makes frequent inspections to determine maintenance needs of the building and equipment, and to determine the efficiency of the janitorial and maintenance force.

(C) Plans and answers correspondence relating to custodial service.

(D) Plans and supervises maintenance or alteration work under contract.

(E) Supervises the office force in the preparation of vouchers, requisitions and reports incidental to custodial service, and in the maintenance of required accounts and records.

(F) Recommends transfers, promotions, and disciplinary measures for custodial personnel.

(G) Inspects mechanical equipment to determine repair needs and adherence to standards of preventive maintenance.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to the postmaster or other designated superior. Directs, through a general foreman of laborers and a chief engineer, approximately 100 employees, including electricians and other skilled trades.

(29) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 10.

Basic Function.—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, personnel, and other related activities. This office has approximately twenty-seven employees, annual receipts of $129,000, and eleven city delivery and rural carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to the patrons.

(B) Maintains direct contact with the public on administrative matters and gives personal attention to complaints.

(C) Appoints all personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that all personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained for their respective positions.

(D) Directs the activities of all employees; supervises arrangement of working schedules of employees; recommends promotions of employees; and is responsible for the proper administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System.

(E) Checks financial accountability of employees in accordance with existing instructions; makes daily deposits of accountable funds in local bank; obtains bids for proposed purchases; requisitions supplies.

(F) Prepares annual estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for submission as required.

(G) Prepares reports of a recurring nature, reflecting various transactions of the post office; submits postmaster’s accounts with supporting vouchers and documents in accordance with existing instructions.

(H) Advertises for bids for various services, including contract stations, vehicular service, mail messenger service, and vehicular maintenance service, and submits bids, with recommendations, as required.

(I) Directs the maintenance of files for the office.
(J) May personally handle window transactions and perform work elsewhere in the office as the workload requires.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

(30) POSITION.—TOUR SUPERINTENDENT, INCOMING OR OUTGOING MAILS—LEVEL 11.

Basic Function.—Directs general foremen in the distribution of incoming mails or outgoing mails on a tour at a large first-class post office.

Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Provides for the prompt and complete operation of a tour activity, such as incoming mails, outgoing mails, or all first- and third-class outgoing mails.
(B) Reassigns employees as necessary to meet peakload demands; provides direction to subordinate foremen, coordinating the portions of work assigned to them.
(C) Answers questions of subordinate foremen regarding operating problems; refers policy questions to his superior with appropriate recommendations.
(D) Reviews requests for personnel actions by subordinate foremen, recommending final action to superior.
(E) Reviews estimates of manpower required, consolidating for recommendation to superior.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to an assistant superintendent of mails or other designated superior. Directs, through general foremen, employees assigned to the tour.

(31) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 11.

Basic Function.—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, personnel, and other related activities. This office has approximately fifty-three employees, annual receipts of $314,000, six Government-owned vehicle units, no classified stations, and twenty-five city and rural delivery routes within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—
(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to the patrons.
(B) Maintains direct contact with the public on administrative matters and gives personal attention to complaints.
(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained for their respective positions.
(D) Directs the activities of all employees; supervises arrangement of working schedules of employees; recommends promotions of employees and is responsible for the proper administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System.
(E) Checks financial accountability of employees in accordance with existing instructions; makes daily deposits of accountable funds in local bank; obtains bids for proposed purchases; requisitions supplies.
(F) Prepares annual estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for submission as required.
(G) Prepares numerous reports of a recurring nature, reflecting various transactions of the post office; submits postmaster's accounts with supporting vouchers and documents in accordance with existing instructions.
(H) Advertises for bids for various services, including contract stations, vehicular service, mail messenger service, and vehicular maintenance service, and submits bids, with recommendations, as required.
(I) Directs the maintenance of files for the office.

(J) May personally handle window transactions and perform work elsewhere in the office as the workload requires.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

(32) POSITION.—POSTAL INSPECTOR—LEVEL 12.

BASIC FUNCTION.—Is responsible in an assigned territory, usually including all classes of post offices, for inspection and investigative programs covering all phases of the postal service. In heavily populated areas may be assigned a majority of the time to selected types of work as determined by the inspector-in-charge.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—ASSIGNED TERRITORY.—

(A) Inspects post offices and related postal units to insure compliance with postal laws and regulations, protection and proper expenditure of postal revenues and appropriated funds, and evaluates and reports to administrative officials on operational efficiency.

(B) Maintains close working relationship with regional officials and submits to them factual information and recommendations of conditions and needs of the postal service; acts as counselor to postmasters and other postal officials and employees in explaining instructions, regulations, applicable laws and decisions.

(C) Investigates violations of postal laws, including, but not limited to, armed robbery, mailing of bombs, burglary, theft of mail, embezzlements, obscene literature and pictures, and mail fraud.

(D) Determines the validity and seriousness of charges against postmasters and other officers and employees and makes pertinent recommendations.

(E) Investigates local and area operating problems and recommends corrective action, and within his prescribed jurisdiction, initiates necessary corrective action, including restoration of service immediately in disaster areas caused by hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and other catastrophes.

(F) Maintains liaison activities (i) with military installations to insure adequate postal service for the military forces; (ii) with Federal and State civil defense authorities at the area level; (iii) with branches of Federal and State law enforcement agencies.

(G) Ascertains postal needs for post offices and stations, rural and city delivery, changes in schedules, quarters, equipment, manpower, and procedures and reports findings and recommendations to appropriate officials.

SELECTED CASES.—

(H) Investigates the loss, theft, destruction, and damage to mail matter through technical analyses of complaints and other specialized procedures.

(I) Investigates money-order forgeries; investigates complaints of use of the mails to defraud and to operate lotteries.

(J) Investigates personal injuries, motor-vehicle and other accidents; develops evidence for defense of suits under the so-called Federal Tort Claims Act; recommends out-of-court settlements.

(K) In any criminal investigation, develops evidence, locates witnesses and suspects; apprehends and effects arrests of postal offenders, presents facts to United States attorney, and collaborates as required with Federal and State prosecutors in presentation before United States commissioner, grand jury, and trial court.

(L) Surveys postal service on an area basis to ascertain and recommend ways of improving service and effecting economies.

(M) Makes investigations of a variety of other matters and performs related duties as assigned.
ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Responsible to the inspector-in-charge or the assistant inspector-in-charge of the division. Supervises trainees and other inspectors as assigned.

(33) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 12.

Basic Function.—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services. This office has approximately seventy-two employees, annual receipts of $797,000, six Government-owned vehicle units, no classified stations, and seventeen carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide efficient and courteous postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained in their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.

(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

(34) POSITION.—STATION SUPERINTENDENT, LARGE CLASSIFIED STATION—LEVEL 13.

Basic Function.—Directs the operations of a large classified station, including the distribution, delivery, and dispatch of mail and all required window services to the public.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Plans and supervises the distribution of incoming and outgoing mails, the delivery service, including special delivery, and the dispatch of outgoing mail.

(B) Supervises services to the public at windows, including sales of stamps and stamped paper, money orders, postal savings stamps and certificates, migratory and documentary stamps, registry and insurance of mail; handling of c. o. d. items; general delivery and box mail.

(C) Supervises city and rural carriers and determines that delivery schedules are maintained; consults in the adjustment and establishment of routes to reflect changes in volume, patronage, or population; and recommends establishment or changes in location of collection boxes.

(D) Directs and maintains required records for personnel of station; verifies and approves timecards for payroll purposes; makes manpower estimates and reports; trains new supervisors and employees in various aspects of station operations.
(E) Requisitions supplies and equipment, stamps, stamped paper, and accountable forms from main post office, reissuing to subordinates as required. Is responsible for entire fixed credit of station and for operation within the allowance granted.

(F) Maintains effective relations with large mailers and the public; simplifies handling of mail, and takes appropriate action to meet complaints.

(G) In addition, may perform any of the following duties:

(i) Supervises the cleaning and custodial maintenance of the station building.

(ii) Makes necessary arrangements for special services such as alien registrations, special census reports, or handling of special purpose mailing.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a superintendent of mails or other designated superior. Directs, through subordinate supervisors, approximately one thousand or more employees.

(35) POSITION.—ASSISTANT POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 13.

Basic Function.—Serves as the overall assistant to the postmaster, particularly on internal operations, and provides general direction over the mails, finance, administrative, and service functions of the post office. The office has approximately four hundred and fifty employees, annual receipts of $2,700,000, fifty Government-owned vehicle units, one classified station or branch, and one hundred and thirty carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Participates in the organization and management of the office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to patrons.

(B) Reviews and evaluates recommendations referred to the postmaster by subordinates with respect to promotions and disciplining of post-office personnel; generally oversees the training of all personnel for their respective positions.

(C) Directs a continuous audit program concerning the accountability of responsible finance employees of the office.

(D) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for action of the postmaster.

(E) Analyzes and reports to the postmaster the daily manpower expenditures and is responsible through designated subordinates for maintaining proper apportionment of authorized allowances to operating units.

(F) Gives assistance and direction to key subordinate officials in planning and executing the mail handling, finance, and administrative programs of the post office.

(G) Reviews reports and recommendations of subordinates and attends to administrative matters essential to the management of the post office.

(H) Represents the postmaster in relationships with the public in the area, including representation with employee organizations.

(I) Carries out special assignments for and as directed by the postmaster.

(J) Assumes complete responsibility and authority for the post office in the postmaster’s absence and at other times as required.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to the postmaster.
(36) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 13.

Basic Function.—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including the direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services in the main post office, stations, and branches. This office has approximately one hundred and eighty employees, annual receipts of $1,000,000, twenty-one Government-owned vehicle units, three classified stations, and sixty-five carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Organize the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide efficient and courteous postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained for their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.

(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a district manager.

(37) POSITION.—ASSISTANT POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 14.

Basic Function.—Serves as the overall assistant to the postmaster, particularly on internal operations, and provides general direction over the mails, finance, administrative, and service functions of the post office. This office has approximately one thousand and two hundred employees, annual receipts of $8,460,000, one hundred and seventeen Government-owned vehicle units, sixteen classified stations and branches, and two hundred and ninety carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Participates in the organization and management of the office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to patrons.

(B) Reviews and evaluates recommendations referred to the postmaster by subordinates with respect to promotions and disciplining of post office personnel; generally oversees the training of all personnel for their respective positions.

(C) Directs a continuous audit program concerning the accountability of responsible finance employees of the office.

(D) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for action of the postmaster.

(E) Analyzes and reports to the postmaster the daily manpower expenditures and is responsible through designated subordinates for
maintaining proper apportionment of authorized allowances to operating units.

(F) Gives assistance and direction to key subordinate officials in planning and executing the mail handling, finance, and administrative programs of the post office.

(G) Reviews reports and recommendations of subordinates and attends to administrative matters essential to the management of the post office.

(H) Represents the postmaster in relationship with the public in the area, including representation with employee organizations.

(I) Carries out special assignments for and as directed by the postmaster.

(J) Assumes complete responsibility and authority for the post office in the postmaster's absence and at other times as required.

**Organizational Relationships.**—Administratively responsible to the postmaster.

**Position—Postmaster, First-Class Office—Level 14.**

**Basic Function.**—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services in the main post office, stations, and branches. This office has approximately four hundred and fifty employees, annual receipts of $2,700,000, fifty Government-owned vehicle units, one classified station or branch, and one hundred and thirty carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

**Duties and Responsibilities.**—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained in their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.

(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

**Organizational Relationships.**—Administratively responsible to a regional director or other designated superior.

**Position—Assistant Postmaster, First-Class Office—Level 15.**

**Basic Function.**—Serves as the overall assistant to the postmaster, particularly on internal operations, and provides general direction over the mails, finance, administrative and service functions of the post office. This office has approximately three thousand two hundred employees, annual receipts of $16,900,000, two hundred Government-owned vehicle units, thirty-four classified stations and branches, and one thousand carrier routes within its jurisdiction.
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Participates in the organization and management of the office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to patrons.

(B) Reviews and evaluates recommendations referred to the postmaster by subordinates with respect to promotions and disciplining of post-office personnel; generally oversees the training of all personnel for their respective positions.

(C) Directs a continuous audit program concerning the accountability of responsible finance employees of the office.

(D) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for action of the postmaster.

(E) Analyzes and reports to the postmaster the daily manpower expenditures and is responsible through designated subordinates for maintaining proper apportionment of authorized allowances to operating units.

(F) Gives assistance and direction to key subordinate officials in planning and executing the mail handling, finance, and administrative programs of the post office.

(G) Reviews reports and recommendations of subordinates and attends to administrative matters essential to the management of the post office.

(H) Represents the postmaster in relationships with the public in the area, including representation with employee organizations.

(I) Carries out special assignments for and as directed by the postmaster.

(J) Assumes complete responsibility and authority for the post office in the postmaster's absence and at other times as required.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to the postmaster.

(40) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 15.

BASIC FUNCTION.—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services in the main post office, stations and branches. This office has approximately seven hundred employees, annual receipts of $4,470,000, seventy-seven Government-owned vehicle units, eight classified stations and branches, and two hundred carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained in their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.

(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a regional director or other designated superior.

(41) POSITION.—GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, PTS DIVISION—LEVEL 16.

Basic Function.—Directs all activities of a division of the Postal Transportation Service of average size and complexity in terms of numbers of employees and in expenditure of funds, or in terms of the importance of the mail gateways in the division, the volume and complexity of the mail and mail handling operations, and concentrations which create congestions. Is responsible for the transportation, transfer, distribution, and dispatch of mail in transit, and for the efficient and economical operation of the division.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Directs and coordinates the activities of subordinate district superintendents in planning and effectuating the transportation and processing of transit mail within, entering, or emanating from the division; confers with officials of commercial carriers regarding mail handling and transportation, schedules, security of mail in transit, and rates.

(B) Provides, through his assistants, general supervision over the activities of the employees of the division. Establishes manpower controls, effective employee relations, and inspections of personnel activities, both informally and as required by regulations.

(C) Exercises administrative control over the district superintendents and, through them, the constituent field units such as transfer offices, airmail fields, terminals, railway post office lines, highway post office lines, and contract carriers such as star routes and mail messenger routes, and related operating units; maintains financial control of the division, reporting on expenditures and requirements as directed.

(D) Maintains liaison with airlines, railroads, trucklines, and other contract carriers; contacts major publishers, mail-order houses, and other large volume patrons with respect to mass mailing problems.

(E) Coordinates division activities with those of contiguous divisions and with other segments of the Post Office Department within the area.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a regional director. Directs, through an assistant and district superintendents, up to three thousand three hundred employees.

(42) POSITION.—ASSISTANT POSTMASTER, LARGE FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 16.

Basic Function.—Serves as the overall assistant to the postmaster, particularly on internal operations, and provides general direction over the mails, finance, administrative and service functions of the post office. This office has approximately eight thousand employees, annual receipts of $48,000,000, four hundred Government-owned vehicle units, fifty classified stations and branches, and one thousand four hundred carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Participates in the organization and management of the office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to patrons.

(B) Reviews and evaluates recommendations referred to the postmaster by subordinates with respect to promotions and disciplining of post office personnel; generally oversees the training of all personnel for their respective positions.
(C) Directs a continuous audit program concerning the accountability of responsible finance employees of the office.

(D) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for action of the postmaster.

(E) Analyzes and reports to the postmaster the daily manpower expenditures and is responsible through designated subordinates for maintaining proper apportionment of authorized allowances to operating units.

(F) Gives assistance and direction to key subordinate officials in planning and executing the mail handling, finance, and administrative programs of the post office.

(G) Reviews reports and recommendations of subordinates and attends to administrative matters essential to the management of the post office.

(H) Represents the postmaster in relationships with the public in the area, including representation with employee organizations.

(I) Carries out special assignments for and as directed by the postmaster.

(J) Assumes complete responsibility and authority for the post office in the postmaster's absence and at other times as required.

**ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.**—Administratively responsible to the postmaster.

(43) **POSITION.**—POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 16.

**BASIC FUNCTION.**—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services in the main post office, stations, and branches. This office has approximately one thousand two hundred employees, annual receipts of $8,460,000, one hundred and seventeen Government-owned vehicle units, sixteen classified stations and branches, and two hundred and ninety carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.**—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints all personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that all personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained in their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.

(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

**ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.**—Administratively responsible to a regional director or other designated superior.
(44) POSITION.—GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, LARGEST PTS DIVISION—LEVEL 17.

Basic Function.—Directs all activities of one of the largest divisions of the Postal Transportation Service in terms of numbers of employees and in expenditure of funds, as well as in terms of the importance of the mail gateways in the division, the volume and complexity of the mail and mail handling operations, and concentrations which create congestions. Is responsible for the transportation, transfer, distribution, and dispatch of mail in transit, and for the efficient and economical operation of the division.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Directs and coordinates the activities of subordinate district superintendents in planning and effectuating the transportation and processing of transit mail within, entering, or emanating from the division; confers with officials of commercial carriers regarding mail-handling and transportation schedules, security of mails in transit, and rates.

(B) Provides, through his assistants, general supervision over the activities of the employees of the division. Establishes manpower controls, effective employee relations, and inspections of personnel activities, both informally and as required by regulations.

(C) Exercises administrative control over the district superintendents and, through them, the constituent field units such as transfer offices, air mail fields, terminals, railway post office lines, highway post office lines, and contract carriers such as star routes and mail messenger routes, and related operating units; maintains financial control of the division, reporting on expenditures and requirements as directed.

(D) Maintains liaison with airlines, railroads, trucklines, and other contract carriers; contacts major publishers, mail-order houses, and other large volume patrons with respect to mass mailing problems.

(E) Coordinates division activities with those of contiguous divisions and with other segments of the Post Office Department within the area.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a regional director. Directs, through an assistant and district superintendents, approximately three thousand three hundred or more employees.

(45) POSITION.—ASSISTANT POSTMASTER, LARGEST FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 17.

Basic Function.—Serves as the overall assistant to the postmaster, particularly on internal operations, and provides general direction over the mails, finance, administrative, and service functions of the post office. This office has approximately twenty thousand employees, annual receipts of $140,000,000, one thousand one hundred Government-owned motor-vehicle units, sixty-six classified stations and branches, and three thousand two hundred carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Participates in the organization and management of the office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient service to patrons.

(B) Reviews and evaluates recommendations referred to the postmaster by subordinates with respect to promotions and disciplining of post-office personnel; generally oversees the training of all personnel for their respective positions.

(C) Directs a continuous audit program concerning the accountability of responsible finance employees of the office.

(D) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances for action of the postmaster.
(E) Analyzes and reports to the postmaster the daily manpower expenditures and is responsible through designated subordinates for maintaining proper apportionment of authorized allowances to operating units.

(F) Gives assistance and direction to key subordinate officials in planning and executing the mail handling, finance, and administrative programs of the post office.

(G) Reviews reports and recommendations of subordinates and attends to administrative matters essential to the management of the post office.

(H) Represents the postmaster in relationships with the public in the area, including representation with employee organizations.

(I) Carries out special assignments for and as directed by the postmaster.

(J) Assumes complete responsibility and authority for the post office in the postmaster’s absence and at other times as required.

**Organizational Relationships.**—Administratively responsible to the postmaster.

(46) **POSITION.**—POSTMASTER, FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 17.

**Basic Function.**—Is responsible for all operations of a first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services in the main post office and stations and branches. This office has approximately three thousand two hundred employees, annual receipts of $16,900,000, two hundred Government-owned vehicle units, thirty-four classified stations and branches, and one thousand carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

**Duties and Responsibilities.**—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained for their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.

(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

**Organizational Relationships.**—Administratively responsible to a regional director or other designated superior.

(47) **POSITION.**—POSTMASTER, LARGE FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 18.

**Basic Function.**—Is responsible for all operations of a large first-class post office, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services in the main post office and stations and branches. This office has approximately eight thousand
employees, annual receipts of $48,000,000, four hundred Government-owned vehicle units, fifty classified stations and branches, and one thousand four hundred carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained for their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.

(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.—Administratively responsible to a regional director or other designated superior.

(48) POSITION.—POSTMASTER, LARGEST FIRST-CLASS OFFICE—LEVEL 19.

BASIC FUNCTION.—Is responsible for all operations of one of the largest first-class offices, including direction and supervision of mails, finance, buildings, personnel, and related services in the main post office, stations and branches. This office has approximately twenty thousand employees, annual receipts of $140,000,000, one thousand one hundred Government-owned vehicle units, sixty-six classified stations and branches, and three thousand two hundred carrier routes within its jurisdiction.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Organizes the post office to insure expeditious handling of the mails and to provide courteous and efficient postal service to patrons.

(B) Represents the Post Office Department in its relationships with the public in the area.

(C) Appoints personnel to serve in the post office within the limits prescribed by Departmental and Civil Service Regulations; determines that personnel are carefully selected and adequately trained in their respective positions.

(D) Supervises the administration of the Efficiency Appraisal System and is responsible for maintaining satisfactory employee relations with representatives of employee organizations and individual employees.

(E) Reviews estimates of manpower needs and operating allowances, submits requests and recommendations as required, and determines that operations are efficiently carried out and expenditures authorized in accordance with approved estimates.
(F) Provides for the safeguarding of all moneys, the operation and maintenance of equipment and other facilities of the post office, and for the expenditure of funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

(G) Approves requisitions for supplies and equipment submitted by operating officials of the post office for submission to the Supply Center or the Department.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to a regional director.

49 POSITION.—REGIONAL DIRECTOR—LEVEL 20.

Basic Function.—Directs the management of all postal activities within the jurisdiction of an assigned region in accordance with basic departmental policies and with functional direction and guidance from Assistant Postmasters General.

Duties and Responsibilities.—

(A) Develops and formulates policies and practices for the region within basic policies and instructions of the Postmaster General.

(B) Manages post office operations.

(C) Administers routing, distribution, and transportation of mail within and in transit through the region.

(D) Arranges for the provision of adequate facilities and equipment for all postal functions in the region.

(E) Administers the personnel program of the region, including employment, placement, training, evaluation of positions, employee relations, and other personnel functions.

(F) Authorizes and issues allowances for all expenditures and exercises budgetary controls.

(G) Administers cost reduction programs and provides industrial engineering services to operating segments of the region.

(H) Maintains effective public relations with the general public, large mail users, and with Federal, State, and municipal authorities.

Organizational Relationships.—Administratively responsible to the Deputy Postmaster General. Directs, through subordinate officials, approximately thirty thousand to thirty-five thousand employees in some three thousand offices within the region.

Dual Employment and Extra Duties

Sec. 204. (a) An employee may be appointed to more than one position and shall be paid compensation at the rate provided by law for each position, without regard to the provisions of sections 1763, 1764, and 1765 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (5 U. S. C., secs. 58, 69, and 70).

(b) As the needs of the service require, an employee may be assigned from time to time to perform, without change in compensation, duties, and responsibilities other than the duties and responsibilities specifically set forth in his position description; however, if any employee is assigned for more than thirty days in any calendar year to duties and responsibilities of a salary level which is higher than the salary level to which his position is assigned, except to perform service in a relief capacity for a supervisor granted compensatory time pursuant to section 603, he shall be paid for the period of his assignment in excess of thirty days a basic salary computed in accordance with the provisions of section 502.

Report of the Postmaster General

Sec. 205. (a) The Postmaster General shall transmit to the Congress, on or before January 15, 1956, a comprehensive report of opera-
(e) The Postmaster General may allow to postmasters in fourth-class post offices additional compensation for separating services and for unusual conditions during a portion of the year, in lieu of an allowance for clerical services for this purpose.

(f) At seasonal post offices of the fourth class, the Postmaster General may authorize the payment of the basic salary prorated over the pay periods such office is open for business during the fiscal year.

(g) Where the gross postal receipts of a post office of the third class for each of two consecutive calendar years are less than $1,500, or where in any calendar year the gross postal receipts are less than $1,400, such post office shall be relegated to the fourth class and the basic salary of the postmaster shall be fixed in the manner provided in subsection (b) of this section.

CONVERSION

SEC. 304. (a) Each employee whose basic salary is paid under the Act of July 6, 1945 (59 Stat. 435), as amended, or under the Classification Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 954), as amended, and who on or prior to the effective date of this section has earned but has not been credited with a higher automatic salary grade increase under the Act of July 6, 1945, or a higher within-grade step-increase under the Classification Act of 1949 for his position, or whose basic salary would have been increased on July 1, 1955, by reason of changed postal receipts, shall be given credit for such increase before his basic salary is adjusted under subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The basic salary of each employee in effect immediately prior to the effective date of the Postal Field Service Schedule, the Rural Carrier Schedule, and the Fourth-Class Office Schedule, shall be adjusted as of such adjusted date to the basic salary in the schedules in the following manner:

(1) If the basic salary of the employee is equal to any step established for his position in the appropriate schedule, such step shall be established as the employee's new basic salary.

(2) If the basic salary of the employee is less than the entrance step established for his position in the appropriate schedule, such entrance step shall be established as the employee's new basic salary.

(3) If the basic salary of the employee falls between any two steps established for his position in the appropriate schedule, the higher step shall be established as the employee's new basic salary.

(4) If the basic salary of the employee is greater than the highest step established for his position in the appropriate schedule, such basic salary shall be established as the new basic salary of the employee.

ADDITION OF LONGEVITY STEP-INCREASES

SEC. 305. (a) When the basic salary of an employee, except an employee whose basic salary immediately prior to the effective date of the Postal Field Service Schedule was fixed by the Classification Act of 1949, is established under section 304 of this Act, each longevity step-increase which such employee has earned prior to the effective date of his schedule shall become a part of his basic compensation and shall constitute a longevity step-increase under section 304 of this Act.

(b) In the case of an employee whose compensation immediately prior to the effective date of the Postal Field Service Schedule was fixed by the Classification Act of 1949, all creditable service under section 404 shall be counted in order to determine such employee's eligibility for longevity step-increases under such section.
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TITLE IV—STEP-INCREASES

AUTOMATIC ADVANCEMENT BY STEP-INCREASES

Sec. 401. (a) Except as to a substitute employee in the Postal Transportation Service whose position is allocated to salary level PFS-5 as a distribution clerk in a railway or highway post office, each employee whose position is allocated to the Rural Carrier Schedule, the Fourth-Class Office Schedule, or salary level PFS-9 or a lower salary level of the Postal Field Service Schedule, who has not reached the highest step for his position, shall be advanced successively to the next higher step for his position at the beginning of the first pay period following the completion of each fifty-two calendar weeks of satisfactory service, if no equivalent increase in basic salary from any cause was received during such period of fifty-two calendar weeks. The benefit of successive step-increases shall be preserved, under regulations prescribed by the Postmaster General, for employees whose continuous service is interrupted by service in the Armed Forces.

(b) Each employee whose position is allocated to salary level PFS-10 or a higher salary level of the Postal Field Service Schedule shall be advanced to and including step four of his salary level in the manner provided in subsection (a) of this section. Advancement of such employee to steps higher than step four, exclusive of longevity step-increases, shall be granted by the Postmaster General on the basis of superior performance under regulations issued by him, but no such employee is eligible for more than one step-increase within the time period specified in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Each substitute employee in the Postal Transportation Service, whose position is allocated to salary level PFS-5 as a distribution clerk in a railway or highway post office, shall be advanced in the manner prescribed for other employees under subsection (a) of this section, but such substitute shall not be advanced beyond step four of salary level PFS-5.

CREDITABLE SERVICE FOR ADVANCEMENT

Sec. 402. Each employee in the postal field service is eligible to earn step-increases in accordance with this Act. Except for temporary rural carriers serving in the absence of regular rural carriers on leave without pay or on military leave, credit shall not be allowed for time on the rolls under a temporary appointment for one year or less unless such time on the rolls is continuous to the date of appointment to a position of unlimited duration.

ADJUSTMENT OF SERVICE CREDIT

Sec. 403. In order to retain to the maximum possible extent promotion credits earned by employees under the Act of July 6, 1945, as amended, and in order to prevent the advancement by step-increases of junior employees ahead of senior employees, employees whose basic salaries are adjusted on the effective date of the schedules in this Act shall establish credit toward advancement by step increases under section 401 in the following manner:

(1) Each employee in the automatic grades who had not reached the maximum grade for his position under the provisions of the Act of July 6, 1945, as amended, shall retain the anniversary date established for his next automatic promotion under such Act unless the amount of increase in basic salary which he receives upon adjustment to the appropriate schedule is equal to or greater than the difference
between the salary for his automatic grade and the next higher automatic grade for his position under such Act.

(2) Employees in the automatic grades who do not retain their anniversary dates under paragraph (1), above, employees who had reached the maximum grades for their positions, and employees who occupied positions for which single rates were established under the Act of July 6, 1945, as amended, shall begin the waiting period for advancement to the next step for their positions on the date of adjustment to the schedules in this Act.

LONGEVITY STEP-INCREASES

SEC. 404. (a) There are established for each employee longevity steps A, B, and C. For each promotion to a longevity step—

(1) each postmaster at a post office of the fourth class shall receive an amount equal to 5 per centum of his basic salary, or $100 per annum, whichever is the lesser, and

(2) each employee (other than a postmaster at a post office of the fourth class) shall receive $100 per annum.

In computing the percentage increase under this subsection the amount of the increase shall be rounded to the nearest dollar. A half dollar or one-half cent shall be rounded to the next highest dollar or cent, respectively.

(b) Each employee shall be assigned to—

(1) longevity step A at the beginning of the pay period following the completion of thirteen years of service;

(2) longevity step B at the beginning of the pay period following the completion of eighteen years of service; and

(3) longevity step C at the beginning of the pay period following the completion of twenty-five years of service.

(c) (1) There shall be credited, for the purposes of subsection (b)—

(A) all time on the rolls, except time on the rolls as a substitute rural carrier, in the postal field service or in the Post Office Department;

(B) all time on the rolls in the custodial service of the Department of the Treasury continuous to the date of the transfer of the employee to the custodial service of the Post Office Department in accordance with Executive Order Numbered 6166, dated June 10, 1933;

(C) all time on the rolls as a special-delivery messenger at a first-class post office; and

(D) all time on the rolls as a clerk in a third-class post office for which payment is made from authorized allowances.

(2) In determining longevity credit for the purposes of subsection (b) in the case of an employee whose continuous service in the postal field service or in the departmental service of the Post Office Department shall have been interrupted by service with the Armed Forces or to comply with a transfer during war or national emergency as defined by the United States Civil Service Commission, all time engaged in such service with the Armed Forces or on such transfer shall be credited pro rata for each week of such service. All service specified in this subsection, whether continuous or intermittent, shall be credited on the basis of one week for each whole week the employee has been on the rolls, except that credit shall not be allowed for time on the rolls under a temporary appointment for one year or less unless such time on the rolls is continuous to the date of appointment to a position of unlimited duration.
(d) Employees on the rolls on the effective date of this section who are entitled to promotion credit for longevity purposes under section 2 of the Act approved May 3, 1950 (64 Stat. 102; 39 U. S. C. 889), shall retain all rights and benefits established or continued under such section to the same extent as though such section had remained in effect.

(e) Increases under this section shall not be deemed equivalent increases within the meaning of section 401.

TITLE V—GENERAL COMPENSATION RULES

APPOINTMENTS

SEC. 501. The Postmaster General may appoint any person who has been employed in a civilian capacity in any branch of the Government to any position in a regional or district office or to any professional or scientific position and may place such person in any step in the salary level of the Postal Field Service Schedule which is less than one full step above the highest basic salary which such person received from the United States.

PROMOTION

SEC. 502. (a) Any employee who is promoted or transferred to a position in a higher salary level of the Postal Field Service Schedule shall be paid basic salary at the lowest step of such higher salary level which exceeds his existing basic salary by not less than the amount of difference between the entrance step of the salary level from which promoted and the entrance step of the salary level immediately above the salary level from which promoted. If there is no step in the salary level to which the employee is promoted which exceeds his existing basic salary by at least the amount of such difference, such employee shall be paid (1) the maximum step of the salary level to which promoted, or (2) his existing basic salary, whichever is higher.

(b) Regular clerks and carriers in first- and second-class post offices are not eligible for promotion to positions of higher salary levels in their respective offices unless they are in the maximum steps of their respective salary levels. If for any reason such clerks and carriers in such maximum steps are not available those clerks and carriers in the lower steps in such offices shall be eligible for such promotion.

COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES

SEC. 503. Each temporary employee who is hired for a continuous period of one year or less for a position under the Postal Field Service Schedule shall be paid a basic salary at the entrance step for the salary level of the position to which he is appointed.

PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF FORMER COMPENSATION

SEC. 504. (a) Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to reduce the per annum or hourly basic compensation of any employee on the rolls on the effective date of the Postal Field Service Schedule, the Rural Carrier Schedule, or Fourth-Class Office Schedule, to an amount less than his basic compensation immediately prior to adjustment to such schedules.

(b) For the purposes of this section, "basic compensation" includes basic compensation under the Classification Act of 1940.
TITLE VI—PAY ADMINISTRATION

PAY PERIODS AND COMPUTATION OF RATES

SEC. 601. (a) Employees in the postal field service shall be paid compensation in twenty-six installments. Each such installment shall be the compensation for a pay period of two weeks.

(b) As basic compensation for a full pay period, an employee, other than an hourly rate employee, shall be paid an amount equal to one twenty-sixth of his annual basic compensation. As basic compensation for a portion of a pay period, such employee shall be paid basic compensation computed in accordance with subsection (d) of this section for the number of days and hours of service for which he has credit.

(c) As basic compensation for the pay period, an hourly rate employee shall be paid an amount equal to the product of his hourly rate of basic compensation and the number of hours of service for which he has credit.

(d) For purposes of computing rates of compensation other than annual rates the following rules shall govern:

(1) To compute an hourly rate of basic compensation for employees other than substitute employees, the annual rate of basic compensation shall be divided by 2,080.

(2) To compute an hourly rate of basic compensation for substitute employees, the annual rate of basic compensation shall be divided by 2,016.

(3) To compute the daily rate of compensation for postmasters, postal inspectors, and rural carriers, the annual rate of compensation shall be divided by 312.

(4) To compute the daily rate of basic compensation for annual rate employees other than postmasters, postal inspectors, and rural carriers, the hourly rate of basic compensation shall be multiplied by the number of daily hours of service required.

(e) Except for lump-sum payments for accumulated leave upon the termination of employment, an annual rate employee shall not be paid more than one twenty-sixth of his basic compensation as basic compensation for a pay period.

(f) All rates shall be computed to the nearest cent, counting one-half cent and over as a whole cent.

(g) When a pay period for employees to whom this Act applies begins in one fiscal year and ends in another, the gross amount of the earnings of such employees for such pay period may be regarded as a charge against the appropriation or allotment current at the end of such pay period.

HOURS OF WORK

SEC. 602. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, employees shall not be required to work more than eight hours a day. The work schedule of employees shall be regulated so that the eight hours of service shall not extend over a longer period than ten consecutive hours.

COMPENSATORY TIME, OVERTIME, AND HOLIDAYS

SEC. 603. In emergencies or if the needs of the service require, the Postmaster General may require employees to work more than eight hours in one day, or on Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays. For such service he shall grant employees in the "PFS" Schedule compensatory time or pay such employees overtime compensation under the following rules:
(1) Each employee in or below salary level PFS-7 shall be paid for all work in excess of eight hours in one day at the rate of 150 per centum of his hourly basic compensation.

(2) (A) Each employee in or below salary level PFS-7 who performs work on Saturdays or Sundays shall, under regulations prescribed by the Postmaster General, be granted compensatory time in an amount equal to the excess time worked within five working days, except that, in lieu of such compensatory time, the Postmaster General may, if the exigencies of the service require, authorize such employee to be paid, for work performed on Saturdays and Sundays during the month of December, at the rate of 150 per centum of his hourly basic compensation.

(B) If the work performed by such employees on Saturdays and Sundays is less than eight hours, such service, in the discretion of the Postmaster General may be carried forward and combined with similar service performed on other Saturdays and Sundays. The employees may be allowed compensatory time for such combined service or any part thereof at any time, except that, whenever at least eight hours of such service has been accumulated, the employees shall be allowed eight hours compensatory time on one day within five working days next succeeding the Saturday or Sunday on which the total accumulated service was at least eight hours.

(3) For time worked on a day referred to as a holiday in the Act of December 26, 1941 (5 U.S.C., sec. 87b), or on a day designated by Executive order as a holiday for Federal employees generally, each employee in or below salary level PFS-7, under regulations prescribed by the Postmaster General, shall either be granted compensatory time in an amount equal to such time worked within thirty working days, or be paid premium compensation at a rate equal to his hourly basic compensation for the time so worked. For work performed on Christmas Day, premium compensation shall be paid at a rate equal to 150 per centum of the employee's hourly basic compensation.

(4) Each employee in or above salary level PFS-8 who performs overtime or holiday work as described in this section, under regulations prescribed by the Postmaster General, shall be granted compensatory time in an amount equal to such overtime or holiday work.

NIGHT WORK

Sec. 604. Employees who perform work between the hours of 6 o'clock post meridian and 6 o'clock ante meridian standard or daylight saving time, depending upon which time is observed where such work is performed, shall be paid extra compensation for each hour of such work at the rate of 10 per centum of their hourly basic compensation. The differential for night duty shall not be included in computing any overtime compensation to which such employees may be entitled.

EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATING TO PAY ADMINISTRATION

Sec. 605. (a) Sections 602, 603, and 604 of this Act do not apply to the heads of regional or district offices and such other employees of the headquarters staff of regional and district offices as the Postmaster General designates, or to postmasters, rural carriers, post office inspectors, traveling mechanicians, and traveling examiners of equipment and supplies.

(b) Sections 602 and 603 of this Act do not apply to substitute employees and to employees in the Postal Transportation Service assigned to road duty.
Section 602 of this Act does not apply to employees in post offices of the third class.

(d) The provisions of section 603 of this Act relating to compensatory time and overtime compensation for work on Saturdays or Sundays do not apply to hourly rate regular employees and to employees in post offices of the third class.

SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYMENT

Sec. 606. (a) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, the Postmaster General shall prescribe the conditions under which substitute positions may be established.

(b) Each substitute, hourly rate, and temporary employee who reports for duty in compliance with an official order shall be employed for not less than two hours following the hour at which such employee is ordered to report.

(c) In the case of positions which are the same as or equivalent to the positions enumerated in the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of substitute postal employees, and for other purposes", approved June 4, 1936, as amended (39 U. S. C., sec. 834), the ratio of classified substitute employees to regular employees shall not be more than one classified substitute to five regular employees or fraction thereof with respect to each such position, except that in offices having fewer than five regular employees there may be one substitute clerk and one substitute carrier, and one substitute in the motor vehicle service.

EMPLOYEES IN THE POSTAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

Sec. 607. (a) The Postmaster General shall organize the work of employees in the Postal Transportation Service who are assigned to road duty into regularly scheduled tours of duty. Such tours of duty shall aggregate an average of not more than eight hours a day for two hundred and fifty-two days a year, including an allowance of one hour and thirty-five minutes for work to be performed on layoff periods. He shall not grant allowances of time for work performed on layoff periods to employees other than employees engaged in the distribution of mail.

(b) Employees in the Postal Transportation Service assigned to road duty, except substitute employees, who are required to perform work in excess of the scheduled time of their regular tours of duty as established by the Postmaster General shall be paid at the rate of 150 per cent of their hourly basic compensation for such overtime work. In arriving at the amount of overtime to be paid at any time during the calendar year, any deficiencies accrued up to that time during the same calendar year shall be offset against any overtime work by the employee.

(c) Substitute employees in the Postal Transportation Service assigned to road duty shall be paid on an hourly basis for actual work performed according to the time value of each trip of such road duty, including an allowance of time for all work required on layoff periods.

(d) In addition to compensation provided under this Act, the Postmaster General, under regulations prescribed by him, may pay not more than $9 per day as travel allowances in lieu of actual expenses, at fixed rates per annum or by such other method as he deems equitable to regular and substitute employees in the Postal Transportation Service who are assigned to road duty, after the expiration of ten hours from the time the initial run begins.
(e) Substitute employees in the Postal Transportation Service shall be credited with full time while traveling under orders of the Post Office Department to and from their designated headquarters to take up assignments.

SPECIAL-DELIVERY EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

Sec. 608. (a) In addition to the compensation provided under this Act regular and substitute special-delivery carriers and special-delivery messengers at first-class post offices shall be paid an automotive equipment maintenance allowance at the rate of 7 cents per mile or major fraction thereof for miles traveled under the direction of the Department in making delivery of special-delivery mail or at the option of the Postmaster General at the rate of 90 cents per hour spent in making delivery of special-delivery mail. Payments for equipment maintenance shall be made at the same periods and in the same manner as payments of regular compensation.

(b) The Postmaster General may provide or hire vehicles under an allowance basis for use in the delivery of special-delivery mail whenever the needs of the postal field service so require.

EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE FOR RURAL CARRIERS

Sec. 609. (a) In addition to the compensation provided in the Rural Carrier Schedule, each rural carrier shall be paid for equipment maintenance a sum equal to 9 cents per mile for each mile or major fraction of a mile scheduled. The Postmaster General may pay such additional equipment maintenance allowance as he determines to be fair and reasonable, not in excess of $3 per day when combined with the equipment maintenance allowance provided by the preceding sentence, to rural carriers entitled to additional compensation under section 302 (c) of this Act for serving heavily patronized routes. Payments for such equipment maintenance shall be made at the same periods and in the same manner as payments of regular compensation.

(b) Any employee in the postal field service who is assigned to serve any rural route, and who furnishes the vehicle used in the performance of such service, shall be paid the equipment maintenance allowance provided for the route so served, in addition to his compensation.

ALLOWANCES FOR POSTMASTERS IN FOURTH-CLASS POST OFFICES

Sec. 610. Postmasters of fourth-class post offices shall be paid as allowances for rent, fuel, light, and equipment an amount equal to 15 per centum of the basic compensation earned in each pay period, at the same time and in the same manner as their regular compensation.

TITLE VII—SALARY INCREASES

RETROACTIVE BASIC SALARY INCREASES

Sec. 701. (a) The basic salary in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this section, of each employee paid under the Act of July 6, 1945, as amended (39 U. S. C., secs. 858, 859, 861a, 862, 863-866, 868, 869), or under the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, shall be increased by 6 per centum effective March 1, 1955 (rounded to the nearest dollar in the case of per annum rates and to the nearest one-half cent in the case of hourly rates, a half-dollar or one-quarter of a cent being
rounded to the next highest dollar or one-half cent, respectively). Such increase shall be applied (1) in the case of each rural carrier to his fixed compensation, his compensation per mile, and any additional compensation allowed him for serving a heavily patronized route, and (2) to the amounts specified in sections 3 (c), 3 (d), 12 (a), 12 (e), 15 (f), and 17 (d) of the Act of July 6, 1945 (Public Law 134, Seventy-ninth Congress), as amended.

(b) Retroactive salary shall be paid under this Act only in the case of an individual in the service of the United States (including service in the Armed Forces of the United States) or of the municipal government of the District of Columbia on the date of enactment of this Act, except that such retroactive salary shall be paid a retired postmaster, officer, or employee for services rendered during the period beginning March 1, 1955, and ending with the date of his retirement, or in accordance with the provisions of the Act of August 3, 1950, for services rendered by a deceased postmaster, officer, or employee during the period beginning on March 1, 1955, and ending with the date of his death. For the purposes of this subsection, service in the Armed Forces of the United States, in the case of an individual relieved from training and service in the Armed Forces of the United States or discharged from hospitalization following such training and service, shall include the period provided by law for the mandatory restoration of such individual to a position in or under the Federal Government or the municipal government of the District of Columbia.

TITLE VIII—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

CLASSES OF POST OFFICES

SEC. 801. At the beginning of each fiscal year, the Postmaster General shall divide post offices into four classes on the basis of gross annual postal receipts for the preceding calendar year. He shall place in the first class those post offices at which such receipts are $40,000 or more. He shall place in the second class those post offices at which such receipts are $8,000 or more, but less than $40,000. He shall place in the third class those post offices at which such receipts are $1,500 or more, but less than $8,000. He shall place in the fourth class those offices at which such receipts are less than $1,500, except as provided in section 303 (g).

ASSIGNMENT OF EMPLOYEES

SEC. 802. With the consent of the employee, the Postmaster General is authorized to detail any employee, including any employee of the departmental service, between the postal field service and the departmental service to such extent as may be necessary to develop a more efficient working force and more effectively to perform the work of the Department. Each such detail shall be made for a period of not more than one year and may be made without change in compensation of the employee so detailed.

INCREASES IN BASIC COMPENSATION NOT “EQUIVALENT INCREASES”

SEC. 803. Any increase in rate of basic compensation by reason of enactment of this Act shall not be considered as an “equivalent increase” in compensation within the meaning of section 701 (a) (A) of the Classification Act of 1949, in the case of employees who transfer or are transferred to a position coming within the purview of the Classification Act of 1949.
POSTAL EMPLOYEES OF THE CANAL ZONE GOVERNMENT

Sec. 804. The Governor of the Canal Zone is authorized and directed to adopt applicable provisions of this Act for postal employees of the Canal Zone Government, as of the respective effective dates of such applicable provisions.

REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC LAW 130, SEVENTY-NINTH CONGRESS

Sec. 805. (a) Whenever reference is made in any other law to the Act of July 6, 1945 (59 Stat. 435), as amended, such reference shall be held and considered to mean this Act. Whenever reference is made in any other law to a “grade” of such Act of July 6, 1945, such reference shall be held and considered to mean the corresponding basic salary step in any schedule contained in this Act.
(b) The application of this Act to any position or employee shall not be affected by reason of the enactment of subsection (a).

APPLICABILITY OF ACT TO GUAM

Sec. 806. This Act shall have the same force and effect within Guam as within other possessions of the United States.

REGULATIONS OF POSTMASTER GENERAL

Sec. 807. The Postmaster General is hereby authorized to issue such regulations as may be necessary for the administration of this Act.

CIVIL SERVICE ACT AND RULES, VETERANS' PREFERENCE ACT OF 1944

Sec. 808. This Act shall not be construed to modify the application of the Civil Service Act and Rules or the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 to the postal field service.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 809. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

EFFECTIVE DATES

Sec. 810. (a) This section shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.
(b) This Act, except title VII, section 607 (d) and this section, shall take effect on such date as may be specified by the Postmaster General, but not later than one hundred and eighty days after the date of its enactment.
(c) Title VII and section 607 (d) shall take effect on the first day of the first pay period which begins after the date of enactment of this Act.
(d) For the purpose of determining the amount of insurance for which an individual is eligible under the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, changes in the rates of compensation which result from the enactment of title VII shall be deemed to be effective as of the first day of the first pay period which begins on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved June 10, 1955.
Public Law 69

JOINT RESOLUTION

Extending an Invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Winter Olympic Games at Squaw Valley, California.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whereas the United States Olympic Association will invite the International Olympic Committee to hold the Winter Olympic Games in the United States at Squaw Valley, California, in 1960, the Government of the United States joins in the invitation of the United States Olympic Association to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Winter Olympic Games in the United States at Squaw Valley, California; and expresses the sincere hope that the United States will be selected as the site.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit a copy of this joint resolution to the International Olympic Committee.

Approved June 13, 1955.

Public Law 70

AN ACT

To amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsections (c), (d), and (e) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U. S. C. 903(c), (d), and (e)) are amended to read as follows:

"(c) Twenty-five per centum of the annual sums herein made available or appropriated for loans for rural electrification pursuant to sections 4 and 5 of this title shall be allotted yearly by the Administrator for loans in the several States in the proportion which the number of their farms not then receiving central station electric service bears to the total number of farms of the United States not then receiving such service: Provided, That if any part of such sums are not loaned or obligated during the first six months of the fiscal year for which they are made available, such part shall thereafter be available for loans by the Administrator without allotment: Provided, however, That not more than 25 per centum of said sums may be employed in any one State or in all of the Territories. The Administrator shall within ninety days after the beginning of each fiscal year determine for each State and for the United States the number of farms not then receiving such service.

"(d) The remaining 75 per centum of such annual sums shall be available for rural electrification loans in the several States and in the Territories, without allotment as hereinabove provided in such amounts for each State and Territory as, in the opinion of the Administrator, may be effectively employed for the purposes of this Act, and to carry out the provisions of section 7: Provided, however, That not more than 25 per centum of said unallotted annual sums may be employed in any one State, or in all of the Territories.

"(e) If any part of the annual sums made available for the purposes of this Act are not loaned or obligated during the fiscal year for which they are made available, such unexpended or unobligated sums shall be available for loans by the Administrator in the following year or years without allotment: Provided, however. That not more than
25 per centum of said sums for rural electrification loans may be employed in any one State or in all of the Territories.”

Sec. 2. Section 4 of such Act is amended by striking out “10 per centum” and inserting “25 per centum”.

Approved June 15, 1955.

Public Law 71

AN ACT

To authorize an examination and survey of the coastal and tidal areas of the eastern and southern United States, with particular reference to areas where severe damages have occurred from hurricane winds and tides.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in view of the severe damage to the coastal and tidal areas of the eastern and southern United States from the occurrence of hurricanes, particularly the hurricanes of August 31, 1954, and September 11, 1954, in the New England, New York, and New Jersey coastal and tidal areas, and the hurricane of October 15, 1954, in the coastal and tidal areas extending south to South Carolina, and in view of the damages caused by other hurricanes in the past, the Secretary of the Army, in cooperation with the Secretary of Commerce and other Federal agencies concerned with hurricanes, is hereby authorized and directed to cause an examination and survey to be made of the eastern and southern seaboard of the United States with respect to hurricanes, with particular reference to areas where severe damages have occurred.

Sec. 2. Such survey, to be made under the direction of the Chief of Engineers, shall include the securing of data on the behavior and frequency of hurricanes, and the determination of methods of forecasting their paths and improving warning services, and of possible means of preventing loss of human lives and damages to property, with due consideration of the economics of proposed breakwaters, sea-walls, dikes, dams, and other structures, warning services, or other measures which might be required.

Sec. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved June 15, 1955.

Public Law 72

AN ACT

To make retrocession to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of Jurisdiction over certain land in the vicinity of Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States hereby makes retrocession to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of concurrent jurisdiction over the following-described land:

Parcel “A”: A parcel of land in the town of Harvard, comprising a portion of the original reservation of Fort Devens, shown on sheet numbered 1 of a plan on file in the Office of the Corps of Engineers, New England Division, at Boston, Massachusetts, as number MED-PA-638, dated May 1946, said parcel being located in the northernmost portion of said original reservation and being bounded and described as follows:
Beginning at a stone bound in the boundary line of the aforesaid reservation marking a point of curvature in the southerly location line of the right-of-way of the Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway and extending thence by said boundary southeasterly by a curve to the left of 1,025.00 feet radius 222.45 feet to a point; thence leaving said boundary line and extending north 83 degrees 32 minutes 58 seconds west 520.53 feet to a point on the dividing line between the towns of Harvard and Shirley as approximately located by the Nashua River; thence following said dividing line north 55 degrees 52 minutes 17 seconds east 110.82 feet to the aforesaid boundary line; thence returning by said boundary line south 71 degrees 6 minutes 53 seconds east 221.30 feet to the point of beginning; containing about 15,000 square feet.

Parcel “B”: A parcel of land in the town of Shirley, comprising a portion of tract numbered 201, shown on sheet numbered 1 of a plan on file in the Office of the Corps of Engineers, New England Division, at Boston, Massachusetts, as Number NED-PA-638, dated May 1946, said parcel being located in the northeasterly corner of said tract and being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound marking the northeasterly corner of the boundary line of said tract and extending thence by said boundary line south 27 degrees 36 minutes 2 seconds east 55.34 feet; thence leaving said boundary line and extending south 67 degrees 31 minutes 31 seconds west 619.41 feet to a point again on said boundary line; thence returning by said boundary line north 62 degrees 23 minutes 58 seconds east 616.93 feet to the point of beginning; containing about 17,070 square feet (the above-described parcels of land being the same parcels covered by a grant from the Secretary of War to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dated June 18, 1947, authorized by the Act of Congress approved July 5, 1884 (23 Stat. 104)).

Parcel “C”: A parcel of land comprising a portion of the Fort Devens Reservation, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the westerly boundary of said reservation (in the town of Lancaster) at bound numbered 39 thereof, and extending thence (along said boundary between said bound numbered 39 and bound numbered 40) north 60 degrees 32 minutes 27 seconds east 623.39 feet; thence leaving said boundary and extending (partly in Lancaster and partly in Harvard) south 79 degrees 15 minutes 41 seconds east 1,074.93 feet; thence in Harvard north 48 degrees 32 minutes 49 seconds east 368.43 feet; thence north 23 degrees 41 minutes 23 seconds east 375.84 feet; thence south 73 degrees 6 minutes 56 seconds east 90.00 feet; thence south 3 degrees 1 minute 55 seconds east 502.16 feet; thence south 15 degrees 29 minutes 11 seconds east 533.03 feet; thence south 51 degrees 39 minutes 51 seconds east 496.49 feet; thence south 79 degrees 15 minutes 41 seconds east 5,656.00 feet; thence by a curve to the left of 2,400.29 feet radius 524.96 feet to a point on the northwesterly location line of the right-of-way of the Boston and Maine Railroad (Worcester to Ayer); said right-of-way location line also marking the easterly boundary of the aforesaid Camp Devens Military Reservation, and said point bearing north 6 degrees 40 minutes 47 seconds east and being 101.06 feet distant from station 1314+79.63 of the base line of said railroad right-of-way; thence following said railroad location line southwesterly by a curve to the left, as shown on plan, of 1,951.33 feet radius 5.87 feet; thence south 20 degrees 45 minutes 59 seconds west 151.40 feet, north 59 degrees 14 minutes 1 second west 16.50 feet and south 30 degrees 45 minutes 59 seconds west 85.78 feet; thence leaving said railroad location line and returning westerly by a curve to the right of 2,600.29 feet radius 423.91 feet; thence north 79 degrees 15 minutes 41 seconds west
6,534.00 feet; thence (partly in Harvard and partly in Lancaster) south 67 degrees 1 minute 10 seconds west 1,415.90 feet; thence (in Lancaster) north 47 degrees 47 minutes 4 seconds west 949.51 feet to a point on the aforesaid westerly boundary of Fort Devens Military Reservation, on the line between bounds numbered 37 and 38 thereof; thence by said boundary line north 70 degrees 11 minutes 26 seconds east 202.26 feet to the said bound numbered 38, and thence north 4 degrees 41 minutes 41 seconds west 503.20 feet to the point of beginning above described, at the aforesaid bound numbered 39.

The area of the above-described parcel is 91.20 acres of which 43.77 acres are in Lancaster and 47.43 acres are in Harvard.

The above-described parcel is shown on a plan signed by P. H. Kitfield, chief engineer, and entitled, "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Plan of Land in the Towns of Lancaster and Harvard, Worcester County, in Which an Easement for Highway Purposes Is To Be Conveyed to the Commonwealth by the United States of America. Scale: 100 feet to the inch." (The above-described parcel of land being the same parcel covered by grant from the Secretary of the Army to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dated May 22, 1950, authorized by section 7 of the Act of Congress approved July 24, 1946 (60 Stat. 643).

SEC. 2. The retrocession of jurisdiction herein contained shall take effect upon acceptance by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Approved June 15, 1955.

Public Law 73

AN ACT
To amend section 640 of title 14, United States Code, concerning the interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 640 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting the term "Air Force," immediately after the term "Navy."

Approved June 15, 1955.

Public Law 74

AN ACT
To repeal sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. REPEAL OF SECTIONS 452 AND 462.
(a) PREPAID INCOME.—Section 452 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is hereby repealed.

(b) RESERVES FOR ESTIMATED EXPENSES, ETC.—Section 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.
The following provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are hereby amended as follows:

(1) Subsection (c) of section 381 is amended by striking out paragraph (7) (relating to carryover of prepaid income in certain corporate acquisitions).
(2) The table of sections for subpart B of part II of subchapter E of chapter 1 (relating to taxable year for which items of gross income included) is amended by striking out “Sec. 452. Prepaid income.”

(3) The table of sections for subpart C of such part II (relating to taxable year for which deductions are taken) is amended by striking out—

“Sec. 462. Reserves for estimated expenses, etc.”

SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.
The amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, and ending after August 16, 1954.

SEC. 4. SAVING PROVISIONS.
(a) FILING OF STATEMENT.—If—

(1) the amount of any tax required to be paid for any taxable year ending on or before the date of the enactment of this Act is increased by reason of the enactment of this Act, and

(2) the last date prescribed for payment of such tax (or any installment thereof) is before December 15, 1955,

then the taxpayer shall, on or before December 15, 1955, file a statement which shows the increase in the amount of such tax required to be paid by reason of the enactment of this Act.

(b) FORM AND EFFECT OF STATEMENT.—

(1) FORM OF STATEMENT, ETC.—The statement required by subsection (a) shall be filed at the place fixed for filing the return. Such statement shall be in such form, and shall include such information necessary or appropriate to show the increase in the amount of the tax required to be paid for the taxable year by reason of the enactment of this Act, as the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate shall by regulations prescribe.

(2) TREATMENT AS AMOUNT SHOWN ON RETURN.—The amount shown on a statement filed under subsection (a) as the increase in the amount of the tax required to be paid for the taxable year by reason of the enactment of this Act shall, for all purposes of the internal revenue laws, be treated as tax shown on the return. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, that portion of the amount of increase in tax for any taxable year which is attributable to a decrease (by reason of the enactment of this Act) in the net operating loss for a succeeding taxable year shall not be treated as tax shown on the return.

(3) WAIVER OF INTEREST IN CASE OF PAYMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 15, 1955.—If the taxpayer, on or before December 15, 1955, files the statement referred to in subsection (a) and pays in full that portion of the amount shown thereon for which the last date prescribed for payment is before December 15, 1955, then for purposes of computing interest (other than interest on overpayments) such portion shall be treated as having been paid on the last date prescribed for payment. This paragraph shall not apply if the amount shown on the statement as the increase in the amount of the tax required to be paid for the taxable year by reason of the enactment of this Act is greater than the actual increase unless the taxpayer establishes, to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate, that his computation of the greater amount was based upon a reasonable interpretation and application of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as those sections existed before the enactment of this Act.
(c) Special Rules.—

(1) Interest For Period Before enactment.—Interest shall not be imposed on the amount of any increase in tax resulting from the enactment of this Act for any period before the day after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) Estimated Tax.—Any addition to the tax under section 294 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 shall be computed as if this Act had not been enacted. In the case of any installment for which the last date prescribed for payment is before December 15, 1955, any addition to the tax under section 6654 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 shall be computed as if this Act had not been enacted.

(3) Treatment of Certain Payments Which Taxpayer is Required to Make.—If—

(A) the taxpayer is required to make a payment (or an additional payment) to another person by reason of the enactment of this Act, and

(B) the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 prescribes a period, which expires after the close of the taxable year, within which the taxpayer must make such payment (or additional payment) if the amount thereof is to be taken into account (as a deduction or otherwise) in computing taxable income for such taxable year,

then, subject to such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate may prescribe, if such payment (or additional payment) is made on or before December 15, 1955, it shall be treated as having been made within the period prescribed by such Code.

(4) Treatment of Certain Dividends.—Subject to such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate may prescribe, for purposes of section 561 (a) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, dividends paid after the 15th day of the third month following the close of the taxable year and on or before December 15, 1955, may be treated as having been paid on the last day of the taxable year, but only to the extent (A) that such dividends are attributable to an increase in taxable income for the taxable year resulting from the enactment of this Act, and (B) elected by the taxpayer.

(5) Determination of Date Prescribed.—For purposes of this section, the determination of the last date prescribed for payment or for filing a return shall be made without regard to any extension of time therefor and without regard to any provision of this section.

(6) Regulations.—For requirement that the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate shall prescribe all rules and regulations as may be necessary by reason of the enactment of this Act, see section 7805 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

Approved June 15, 1955.

Public Law 75

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for investigating the feasibility of establishing a coordinated local, State, and Federal program in the city of Boston, Massachusetts, and general vicinity thereof, for the purpose of preserving the historic properties, objects, and buildings in that area.

Whereas there are located within the city of Boston and vicinity
a number of historic properties, buildings, sites, and objects of
the Colonial and Revolutionary period of American history which,
because of their historical significance or their architectural merit,
are of great importance to the Nation; and
Whereas at this critical period, as well as at all periods in our
national life, the inspiration afforded by such prime examples of
the American historical heritage and their interpretation is in the
public interest; and
Whereas it is proper and desirable that the United States of Amer-
ica should cooperate in a program looking to the preservation and
public use of these historic properties that are intimately associated
with American Colonial solidarity and the establishment of Amer-
ican independence: Therefore be it
Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That a Commission is
hereby created for the purpose of investigating the feasibility of
establishing a coordinated program in which the Federal Govern-
ment may cooperate with local and State governments and historical
and patriotic societies for the preservation and appreciation by the
public of the most important of the Colonial and Revolutionary
properties in Boston and the general vicinity thereof which form
outstanding examples of America's historical heritage.

SEC. 2. The Commission shall be known as the Boston National
Historic Sites Commission, and shall be composed of seven individ-
uals, who shall serve without compensation, to be appointed as fol-
lows: One Member of the United States Senate, to be appointed by
the President of the Senate; one Member of the United States House
of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; one
member to be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, and four
persons, at least one of whom shall be a resident of the city of Boston,
to be appointed by the President of the United States. Any vacancy
in the Commission shall be filled in the same manner in which the
original appointment was made.

SEC. 3. The Commission shall meet for the purpose of organizing
within ninety days after the enactment of this Act. The Commission
shall elect a chairman and executive secretary from among its members.

SEC. 4. The Commission shall (a) make an inventory and study
of the historic objects, sites, buildings, and other historic properties
of Boston and the general vicinity thereof, including comparative
real estate costs; (b) prepare an analysis of the existing condition
and state of care of such properties; (c) recommend such programs
by the local, State, or Federal governments and cooperating societies
for the future preservation, public use, and appreciation of such
properties as the Commission shall consider to be in the public
interest; and (d) prepare a report containing basic factual informa-
tion relating to the foregoing and the recommendations of the Com-
mission thereon. Such report shall be transmitted to the Congress
by the Secretary of the Interior within two years following the
approval of this Act and the securing of appropriations for purposes
hereof. Upon submission of the report to the Congress, the Com-
misson shall cease to exist.

SEC. 5. (a) The Secretary of the Interior may appoint and fix the
compensation, in accordance with the provisions of the civil-service
laws and the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, of such experts,
advisers, and other employees, and may make such expenditures,
including expenditures for actual travel and subsistence expense of
members, employees, and witnesses (not exceeding $15 for subsistence
expense for any one person for any one calendar day), for personal
services at the seat of government and elsewhere, and for printing
Public Law 76—June 16, 1955

AN ACT

To amend the Acts authorizing agricultural entries under the nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands in order to increase the limitation with respect to desert entries made under such Acts to three hundred and twenty acres.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for agricultural entries on coal lands", approved June 22, 1910 (36 Stat. 583), is amended by deleting the following: "no desert entry made under the provisions of this Act shall contain more than one hundred and sixty acres, and".

SEC. 2. The first section of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for agricultural entry of lands withdrawn, classified, or reported as containing phosphate, nitrate, potash, oil, gas, or asphaltic minerals", approved July 17, 1914 (38 Stat. 509), is amended by deleting the following: "; but no desert entry made under the provisions of this Act shall contain more than one hundred and sixty acres".

SEC. 3. Any person who, prior to the date of approval of this Act, has made a valid desert-land entry on lands subject to such Act of June 22, 1910, or of July 17, 1914, may, if otherwise qualified, enter as a personal privilege, not assignable, an additional tract of desert land subject to the provisions of such Acts, as hereby amended, and section 7 of the Act entitled "An Act to stop injury to the public grazing lands by preventing overgrazing and soil deterioration, to provide for their orderly use, improvement, and development, to stabilize the livestock industry dependent upon the public range, and for other purposes", approved June 28, 1934, as amended (48 Stat. 1269; 1372; 43 U. S. C., sec. 315f). Such additional tract shall not, together with the original entry, exceed three hundred and twenty acres. The holder of an additional entry authorized under this section shall comply with all the requirements of the desert-land law on the lands embraced by such additional entry.

Approved June 16, 1955.
State of Wyoming certain property of the United States Government situated near Lake Guernsey, Platte County, Wyoming, described as follows:

Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of section 5; lots 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6, east half southwest quarter, west half southeast quarter section 6; northwest quarter northeast quarter, west half southwest quarter, southeast quarter southwest quarter section 17; northeast quarter, north half northwest quarter, southeast quarter northwest quarter, northeast quarter southwest quarter, north half southeast quarter section 20; all in township 28 north, range 66 west, sixth principal meridian.

Southwest quarter northwest quarter, section 1; lots 3 and 4, west half southeast quarter, section 3; lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, south half north half section 4; south half southwest quarter section 5; lot 1, section 7; southeast quarter northeast quarter section 13; lots 2 and 3, northeast quarter southwest quarter section 18; southeast quarter northeast quarter, northwest quarter southeast quarter section 24; all in township 27 north, range 67 west, sixth principal meridian.

South half southwest quarter section 2; southwest quarter south half section 3; northwest quarter northeast quarter, south half southeast quarter section 8; northeast quarter northeast quarter, northeast quarter southwest quarter, south half north half, north half south half section 9; northeast quarter, north half southwest quarter, southeast quarter southwest quarter section 10; north half northwest quarter, southwest quarter northeast quarter, northwest quarter southwest quarter, southwest quarter section 14; northeast quarter, southwest quarter southeast quarter, north half southeast quarter, southwest quarter southeast quarter section 15; northeast quarter, northeast quarter southwest quarter, north half northwest quarter, southeast quarter section 17; northeast quarter southeast quarter section 20; west half southwest quarter section 21; north half northwest quarter, southwest quarter northeast quarter section 22; southwest quarter northeast quarter, northeast quarter northwest quarter, south half southwest quarter section 23; east half northwest quarter section 24; northeast quarter southwest quarter section 25; east half southwest quarter, northeast quarter southwest quarter section 27; northeast quarter southwest quarter, northwest quarter, west half southeast quarter section 28; northeast quarter southeast quarter section 29; southeast quarter southwest quarter section 31; all of section 33; northeast quarter of section 35; all in township 28 north, range 67 west, sixth principal meridian; consisting of approximately five thousand seven hundred and eighty acres. Such property shall be conveyed, together with all buildings, improvements thereon, and all appurtenances and utilities belonging or appertaining thereto, and the Secretary of the Interior shall execute and deliver in the name of the United States in its behalf any and all contracts, conveyances, or other instruments as may be necessary to effectuate the said transfer: Provided, That there shall be reserved to the United States all minerals, including oil and gas, in said lands.

Such conveyance shall contain a provision that said property shall be used primarily for training of the National Guard or Air National Guard and for other military purposes, and that, if the State of Wyoming shall cease to use the property so conveyed for such purposes, then title thereto shall immediately revert to the United States and, in addition, all improvements made by the State of Wyoming during its occupancy shall vest in the United States without payment of compensation therefor.
Such conveyance shall contain the further provision that whenever the Congress of the United States shall declare a state of war or other national emergency, or the President declares a state of emergency to exist and upon the determination by the appropriate Secretary that the property so conveyed is useful or necessary for military, air, or naval purposes, or in the interest of national defense, the United States shall have the right, without obligation to make payment of any kind, to reenter upon the property and use the same or any part thereof, including any and all improvements made by the State of Wyoming, for the duration of such state of war or other national emergency, and upon the cessation thereof plus six months said property is to revert to the State of Wyoming together with any or all facilities and improvements, appurtenances, and utilities thereon or appertaining thereto.

SEC. 2. (a) Where lands described to be conveyed herein are being used under valid outstanding United States grazing leases, the Secretary of the Interior shall convey the lands only after he finds suitable provision, equitable to such lessees, has been made to compensate them for losses resulting from the use of the lands for the purposes of this Act and to assure them appropriate preference to such future use of the lands for grazing as may be consistent with the purposes of this Act.

(b) The Secretary of the Interior, at the earliest possible date after the execution of the conveyance authorized by this Act, shall issue a permit to the State of Wyoming allowing the State the free use of the lands described below for the purposes of this Act and subject to adequate protection of the lands for Federal purposes:

Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, southwest quarter northeast quarter, southeast quarter northwest quarter, northwest quarter southeast quarter, southeast quarter southwest quarter, southeast quarter section 1; lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, south half northwest quarter, east half southwest quarter, southwest quarter southeast quarter section 2; northeast quarter, northwest quarter southwest quarter section 10; north half northeast quarter, southwest quarter northeast quarter section 11; east half northeast quarter, southwest quarter northeast quarter, west half southwest quarter section 12; northwest quarter northeast quarter section 13, all in township 27 north, range 67 west, southeast quarter section 35, township 28 north, range 67 west, sixth principal meridian, State of Wyoming.

SEC. 3. The State of Wyoming may dispose of interests and rights in the land by lease, license and easement, provided that the exercise of such rights and uses shall not impair the use of the land for the purposes set out in the first section of this Act. Revenues derived from such transactions by the State of Wyoming shall be expended by the State for the protection, maintenance, and preservation of such land for the purposes expressed in this Act and for the protection and preservation of the natural resources thereon. The United States and the State of Wyoming shall share equally in any residual revenue beyond the cost for those purposes. All moneys to which the United States is entitled under this Act shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts. The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Army are authorized to enter into any necessary agreements with the proper authorities of the State of Wyoming for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Approved June 16, 1955.
Public Law 78

AN ACT
Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

RESEARCH IN THE UTILIZATION OF SALINE WATER

For expenses necessary to carry out provisions of Public Law 448, approved July 3, 1952, authorizing studies of the conversion of saline water for beneficial consumptive uses, $400,000.

OIL AND GAS DIVISION

For necessary expenses to enable the Secretary to discharge his responsibilities with respect to oil and gas, including cooperation with the petroleum industry and State authorities in the production, processing, and utilization of petroleum and its products, and natural gas; and for controlling the interstate shipment of contraband oil as required by law (15 U.S.C. 715); including purchase of not to exceed two passenger motor vehicles for replacement only: $390,000.

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Solicitor, including purchase of three passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, $2,525,000, and in addition, not to exceed $100,000 may be reimbursed or transferred to this appropriation from other accounts available to the Department of the Interior: Provided, That hearing officers appointed for Indian probate work need not be appointed pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (60 Stat. 237), as amended.

OFFICE OF MINERALS MOBILIZATION

For expenses necessary to enable the Secretary to discharge his responsibilities, including cooperation with the metals and minerals industry, with respect to the conservation, exploration, development, production, and utilization of mineral resources, including solid fuels, $225,000.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

For expenses necessary for protection, use, improvement, development, disposal, cadastral surveying, classification, and performance of other functions, as authorized by law, in the management of lands and their resources under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, including $35,000 for the operation and maintenance of access roads on the revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands, $13,450,000: Provided, That this appropriation may be expended on a reimbursable basis for surveys of lands other than...
those under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management: Provided further, That, for the purposes of surveying federally controlled or intermingled lands and operation and maintenance of access roads, contributions toward the costs thereof may be accepted.

CONSTRUCTION

For construction of access roads on the revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands; acquisition of rights-of-way and of existing connecting roads adjacent to such lands; and for acquisition and construction of buildings and appurtenant facilities in Alaska; to remain available until expended, $2,500,000: Provided, That the amount appropriated herein for road construction shall be transferred to the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce: Provided further, That the amount appropriated herein for construction of access roads on the revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands and in addition, amounts available for operation and maintenance of such access roads under the appropriation “Management of lands and resources” are hereby made a reimbursable charge against the Oregon and California land-grant fund and shall be reimbursed to the general fund in the Treasury in accordance with the provisions of the second paragraph of subsection (b) of title II of the Act of August 28, 1937.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Appropriations for the Bureau of Land Management shall be available for purchase of two aircraft and twenty-one passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; purchase, erection, and dismantlement of temporary structures, and alteration and maintenance of necessary buildings and appurtenant facilities to which the United States has title: Provided, That of appropriations herein made for the Bureau of Land Management expenditures in connection with the revested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands (other than expenditures for construction and operation and maintenance of access roads and for acquisition of rights-of-way and of existing connecting roads adjacent to such lands) shall be reimbursed from the 25 per centum referred to in section C, title II, of the Act approved August 28, 1937, of the special fund designated the “Oregon and California Land Grant Fund” and section 4 of the Act approved May 24, 1939, of the special fund designated the “Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant Fund”.

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

For construction, purchase, and maintenance of range improvements pursuant to the provisions of sections 3 and 10 of the Act of June 28, 1934, as amended (43 U. S. C. 315), sums equal to the aggregate of all moneys received, during the current fiscal year, as range improvement fees under section 8 of said Act and of 25 per centum of all moneys received, during the current fiscal year, under section 15 of said Act, to remain available until expended.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

EDUCATION AND WELFARE SERVICES

For expenses necessary to provide education and welfare services for Indians, either directly or in cooperation with States and other organizations, including payment (in advance or from date of admis-
ion), of care, tuition, assistance, and other expenses of Indians in boarding homes, institutions, or schools; grants and other assistance to needy Indians; maintenance of law and order, and payment of rewards for information or evidence concerning violations of law on Indian reservations or lands; and operation of Indian arts and crafts shops and museums; $41,764,995.

**RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**

For expenses necessary for management, development, improvement, and protection of resources and appurtenant facilities under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, including payment of irrigation assessments and charges; acquisition of water rights; advances for Indian industrial and business enterprises; operation of Indian arts and crafts shops and museums; and development of Indian arts and crafts as authorized by law; $12,432,000, and in addition, $200,000 of the Revolving Fund for Loans, Bureau of Indian Affairs, shall be used in connection with administering loans to Indians.

**CONSTRUCTION**

For construction, major repair, and improvement of irrigation and power systems, buildings, utilities, roads and trails, and other facilities; acquisition of lands and interests in lands; preparation of lands for farming; and architectural and engineering services by contract; payment to the Klamath Tribe of Indians, Oregon, as authorized by section 13c of the Act of August 13, 1954 (Public Law 587); to remain available until expended, $7,979,003, of which not to exceed $11,647 shall be available for reimbursing the city of New Town, North Dakota, for the cost of improvements to streets and appurtenant facilities adjoining property under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and not to exceed $40,000 shall be available for assistance to the public-school district for constructing additional classroom facilities at Seligman, Arizona: Provided, That no part of the sum herein appropriated shall be used for the acquisition of land within the States of Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming outside of the boundaries of existing Indian reservations: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for the acquisition of land or water rights within the States of Nevada, Oregon, and Washington either inside or outside the boundaries of existing reservations: Provided further, That the Secretary is authorized to purchase, without regard to the prohibition against the acquisition of land or water rights contained herein, not to exceed fifteen acres of lands within the Klamath Indian Reservation, Oregon, required for the construction of two pumping plants and an equalizing basin for the Modoc Point Indian irrigation system and not to exceed four hundred acres of lands within the Colville Indian Reservation, Washington, required for the construction of Mill Creek Reservoir of the Nespelem Unit of the Colville Indian irrigation project: Provided further, That of the amount included herein for the construction of roads and trails, such part of the amount as determined by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs shall be available only for roads and trails which State and local governments agree to take over and maintain when the improvement is completed.
ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For liquidation of obligations incurred pursuant to authority contained in section 6 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 73), $7,000,000, to remain available until expended.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the general administration of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, including such expenses in field offices, $2,600,000.

RELOCATION OF THE YANKTON SIOUX TRIBE

For necessary expenses of completing the relocation of the Yankton Sioux Tribe, South Dakota, in accordance with section 8 of the Public Law Numbered 478, Eighty-third Congress, to remain available until expended, $56,500: Provided, That said amount shall be assessed against the costs of the Fort Randall Dam and Reservoir, Missouri River Development.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Appropriations for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (except the revolving fund for loans) shall be available for expenses of exhibits; purchase of not to exceed one hundred and seventy-five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, which may be used for the transportation of Indians; advance payments for service (including services which may extend beyond the current fiscal year) under contracts executed pursuant to the Act of June 4, 1936 (25 U. S. C. 432), and legislation terminating Federal supervision over certain Indian tribes; purchase of ice for official use of employees; and expenses required by continuing or permanent treaty provisions.

TRIBAL FUNDS

In addition to the tribal funds authorized to be expended by existing law, there is hereby appropriated $3,100,000, from tribal funds not otherwise available for expenditure for the benefit of Indians and Indian tribes, including pay and travel expenses of employees; care, tuition and other assistance to Indian children attending public and private schools (which may be paid in advance or from date of admission); purchase of land and improvements on land, title to which shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the tribe for which purchased; lease of lands and water rights; compensation and expenses of attorneys and other persons employed by Indian tribes under approved contracts; pay, travel and other expenses of tribal officers, councils, and committees thereof, or other tribal organizations, including mileage for use of privately owned automobiles and per diem in lieu of subsistence at rates established administratively but not to exceed those applicable to civilian employees of the Government; relief of Indians, without regard to section 7 of the Act of May 27, 1930 (46 Stat. 391), including cash grants; and employment of a recreational director for the Menominee Reservation and a curator for the Osage Museum, each of whom shall be appointed with the approval of the respective tribal councils and without regard to the classification laws: Provided, That in addition to the amount appropriated herein, tribal funds may be advanced to Indian tribes during the current fiscal year for such purposes as may be designated by the governing body of the particular tribe involved and approved by the Secretary: Provided further, That not to exceed $100,000 from the funds credited to the
Indians of California under the Act of May 18, 1928 (45 Stat. 602), for expenses of moving and relocating houses available to said Indians under the Act of August 2, 1954 (68 Stat. 590, 613), but not more than $300 may be expended for any one house: Provided, however, That no part of this appropriation or other tribal funds shall be used for the acquisition of land or water rights within the States of Nevada, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming, either inside or outside the boundaries of existing Indian reservations, if such acquisition results in the property being exempted from local taxation.

**GEOLOGICAL SURVEY**

**SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH**

For expenses necessary for the Geological Survey to perform surveys, investigations, and research covering topography, geology, and the mineral and water resources of the United States, its Territories and possessions; classify lands as to mineral character and water and power resources; give engineering supervision to power permits and Federal Power Commission licenses; enforce departmental regulations applicable to oil, gas, and other mining leases, permits, licenses, and operating contracts; publish and disseminate data relative to the foregoing activities; and the preparation of plans and specifications for a building or buildings to meet the special needs of the Geological Survey in the metropolitan area of Washington, D. C.; $26,635,000, of which $4,350,000 shall be available only for cooperation with States or municipalities for water resources investigations: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay more than one-half the cost of any topographic mapping or water resources investigations carried on in cooperation with any State or municipality.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS**

The amount appropriated for the Geological Survey shall be available for purchase of not to exceed seventy-seven passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard service for protection of confidential files; contracting for the furnishing of topographic maps and for the making of geophysical or other specialized surveys when it is administratively determined that such procedures are in the public interest; construction and maintenance of necessary buildings and appurtenant facilities; acquisition of lands for gaging stations; and payment of compensation and expenses of persons on the rolls of the Geological Survey appointed, as authorized by law, to represent the United States in the negotiation and administration of interstate compacts, including not to exceed $10,000 for the person appointed by the President to participate as the representative of the United States in the administration of the compact consented to by the Act of May 31, 1949 (Public Law 82): Provided, That notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the President is authorized to appoint a retired officer as such representative, without prejudice to his status as a retired Army officer, and he shall receive such compensation and expenses in addition to his retired pay.
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BUREAU OF MINES

CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

For expenses necessary for promoting the conservation, exploration, development, production, and utilization of mineral resources, including fuels, in the United States, its Territories and possessions; developing synthetics and substitutes; producing and distributing helium; and controlling fires in coal deposits; $12,893,000.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

For expenses necessary for promotion of health and safety in mines and in the minerals industries, as authorized by law, $5,000,000.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for general administration of the Bureau of Mines, including such expenses in the regional offices, $970,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Appropriations and funds available to the Bureau of Mines may be expended for purchase of not to exceed one hundred and twenty-six passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; providing transportation services in isolated areas for employees, student dependents of employees, and other pupils, and such activities may be financed under cooperative arrangements; purchase and bestowal of certificates and trophies in connection with mine rescue and first-aid work: Provided, That the Secretary is authorized to accept lands, buildings, equipment, and other contributions from public and private sources and to prosecute projects in cooperation with other agencies, Federal, State, or private: Provided further, That the sums made available for the current fiscal year to the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force for the acquisition of helium from the Bureau of Mines shall be transferred to the Bureau of Mines, and said sums, together with all other payments to the Bureau of Mines for helium, shall be credited to the special helium production fund, established pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1925, as amended (50 U. S. C. 164 (c)): Provided further, That the Bureau of Mines is authorized, during the current fiscal year, to sell directly or through any Government agency, including corporations, any metal or mineral product that may be manufactured in pilot plants operated by the Bureau of Mines, and the proceeds of such sales shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION

For expenses necessary for the management and protection of the areas and facilities administered by the National Park Service, including protection of lands in process of condemnation; and for plans, investigations, and studies of the recreational resources (exclusive of preparation of detail plans and working drawings) and archaeological values in river basins of the United States (except the Missouri River Basin); $9,825,000.
MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION OF PHYSICAL FACILITIES

For expenses necessary for the operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of roads (including furnishing special road maintenance service to defense trucking permittees on a reimbursable basis), trails, buildings, utilities, and other physical facilities essential to the operation of areas administered pursuant to law by the National Park Service, $8,950,000.

CONSTRUCTION

For construction and improvement, without regard to the Act of August 24, 1912, as amended (16 U. S. C. 451), of roads, trails, parkways, buildings, utilities, and other physical facilities; and the acquisition of lands, interests therein, improvements, and water rights; to remain available until expended, $5,425,000, of which $100,000 shall be available for the completion of payments for the execution of the new figure for the Yorktown Monument, upon the completion of the figure to the satisfaction of the Secretary, and theSecretary shall release the contractor from all obligations under the contract with respect to the removal of the present damaged figure, the repair of the shaft, and the mounting of the new figure on the shaft: Provided, That prior to any payments made pursuant to this provision the contractor shall release the Government from any and all claims arising from the execution of the figure or any presently existing contract between said contractor and the United States Government: Provided further, That the sum provided herein is in addition to the sum of $59,000 specified in contract No. I-100np-147.

CONSTRUCTION (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For liquidation of obligations incurred pursuant to authority contained in section 6 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 73), $19,654,300, to remain available until expended: Provided, That no part of this appropriation bill shall be used at any time to plan, map, build, or construct a new roadway or highway to Mammoth Cave National Park leading from United States Highway Numbered 31W between Cave City and Park City, Kentucky.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for general administration of the National Park Service, including such expenses in the regional offices, $1,175,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Appropriations for the National Park Service shall be available for the purchase of not to exceed ninety-eight passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, of which not to exceed seventeen shall be for replacing United States Park Police cruisers; uniforms or allowances therefore, as authorized by law (68 Stat. 1114, D. C. Code 4-204); and the objects and purposes specified in the Act of August 8, 1953 (67 Stat. 495, 496).

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES

For expenses necessary for conservation, management, protection, and utilization of fish and wildlife resources, and for the performance of other authorized functions related to such resources; operation of the industrial properties within the Crab Orchard National Wildlife
Refuge (61 Stat. 770); maintenance of the herd of long-horned cattle on the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge; purchase or rent of land, and functions related to wildlife management in California (16 U. S. C. 635–695c); leasing and management of lands for the protection of the Florida Key deer; and not to exceed $30,000 for payment, in the discretion of the Secretary, for information or evidence concerning violations of laws administered by the Fish and Wildlife Service; $6,728,500; and in addition, there are appropriated amounts equal to 25 per centum of the proceeds covered into the Treasury during the next preceding fiscal year from the sale of sealskins and other products, for management and investigation of fish and wildlife resources of Alaska, including construction.

INVESTIGATIONS OF RESOURCES

For expenses necessary for scientific and economic studies and investigations respecting conservation, management, protection, and utilization of fish and wildlife resources, including related aquatic plants and products; collection, compilation, and publication of information concerning such studies and investigations; and the performance of other functions related thereto; as authorized by law; $4,187,000.

CONSTRUCTION

For construction and acquisition of buildings and other facilities required in the conservation, management, protection, and utilization of fish and wildlife resources and the acquisition of lands and interests therein, $1,000,000 to remain available until expended: Provided, That the funds appropriated herein for the continuation of the construction of the Devils Kitchen Dam on the Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge, Illinois, shall be transferred to the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for general administration of the Fish and Wildlife Service, including such expenses in the regional offices, $760,000.

ADMINISTRATION OF PRIBILOF ISLANDS

For carrying out the provisions of the Act of February 26, 1944, as amended (16 U. S. C. 631a–631q), there are appropriated amounts equal to 60 per centum of the proceeds covered into the Treasury during the next preceding fiscal year from the sale of sealskins and other products, to remain available for expenditure during the current and next succeeding fiscal years.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Appropriations for the Fish and Wildlife Service shall be available for purchase of not to exceed one hundred and twenty-eight passenger motor vehicles, for replacement only; purchase of not to exceed four aircraft, for replacement only; publication and distribution of bulletins as authorized by law (7 U. S. C. 417); rations or commutation of rations for officers and crews of vessels at rates not to exceed $3 per man per day; repair of damage to public roads within and adjacent to reservation areas caused by operations of the Fish and Wildlife Service; options for the purchase of land at not to exceed $1 for each option; facilities incident to such public recreational uses on conservation areas as are not inconsistent with their primary purposes; and the maintenance and improvement of aquaria, buildings, and other
facilities under the jurisdiction of the Fish and Wildlife Service and
to which the United States has title, and which are utilized pursuant
to law in connection with management and investigation of fish and
wildlife resources.

Office of Territories

Administration of Territories

For expenses necessary for the administration of Territories and
for the departmental administration of the Trust Territory of the
Pacific Islands, under the jurisdiction of the Department of the In-
terior, including expenses of the offices of the Governors of Alaska,
Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa, as authorized by law (48 U. S. C.,
secs. 61, 531, 1422, 1431a (c)); salaries of the Governor of the Virgin
Islands, the Government Secretary, and the members of their im-
mediate staffs as authorized by law (Act of July 22, 1954, Public Law
517), compensation and mileage of members of the legislatures in
Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands
as authorized by law (48 U. S. C., secs. 87, 509, 1421d (e), 1431a (c)
and the Act of July 22, 1954 (Public Law 517)); compensation and
expenses of the judiciary in American Samoa as authorized by law
(48 U. S. C. 1431a (c)); care of insane as authorized by law for
Alaska (48 U. S. C. 46-50); grants to American Samoa, in addition
to current local revenues, for support of governmental functions;
and personal services, household equipment and furnishings, and
utilities necessary in the operation of the houses of the Governors of
Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, and American Samoa; $2,609,500: Provided,
That the Territorial and local governments herein provided for are
authorized to make purchases through the General Services Admin-
istration: Provided further, That appropriations available for the
administration of Territories may be expended for the purchase,
charter, maintenance, and operation of aircraft and surface vessels
for official purposes and for commercial transportation purposes
found by the Secretary to be necessary.

Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands

For expenses necessary for the Department of the Interior in ad-
ministration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands pursuant to
the Trusteeship Agreement approved by Public Law 204, Eightieth
Congress, and Public Law 451, approved June 30, 1954, including the
expenses of the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the
Pacific Islands; compensation and expenses of the judiciary of the
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; grants to the Trust Territory
of the Pacific Islands in addition to local revenues, for support of gov-
ernmental functions; $4,500,000, and in addition $1,000,000 shall be
transferred to this appropriation from the balance in the account of
the Island Trading Company of Micronesia on December 31, 1954, of
which $500,000 shall be available for the establishment of a revolving
fund for loans to locally owned private trading enterprises, to continue
during the fiscal year 1956: Provided, That all financial transactions of
the Trust Territory, including such transactions of all agencies or
instrumentalities established or utilized by such Trust Territory, shall
be audited by the General Accounting Office in accordance with the
provisions of the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921 (42 Stat. 23), as
amended, and the Accounting and Auditing Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 34):
Provided further, That the government of the Trust Territory of the
Pacific Islands is authorized to make purchases through the General
Services Administration: Provided further, That appropriations
available for the Administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific
Islands may be expended for the purchase, charter, maintenance, and operation of aircraft and surface vessels for official purposes and for commercial transportation purposes found by the Secretary to be necessary in carrying out the provisions of article 6 (2) of the Trusteeship Agreement approved by Public Law 204, Eightieth Congress.

**ALASKA PUBLIC WORKS**

For an additional amount for expenses necessary for carrying out the provisions of the Act of August 24, 1949, as amended (48 U.S.C. 486-486j), to remain available until June 30, 1959, $3,000,000, of which not to exceed $525,000 shall be available for administrative expenses: Provided, That funds previously appropriated under this head shall remain available until June 30, 1959.

**CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS, ALASKA**

For construction of roads, tramways, buildings, ferries, bridges, and trails, including surveys and plans for new road construction; acquisition of lands or interests in lands by purchase, donation, condemnation, or otherwise; and purchase of four passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, $6,300,000, to remain available until expended.

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF ROADS, ALASKA**

For operation and maintenance of roads, tramways, buildings, ferries, bridges, and trails, $3,500,000.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS**

The total of the amounts herein appropriated for construction, operation and maintenance of roads in Alaska shall be available in one fund, except that the appropriation herein made for operation and maintenance shall be available only for the service of the current fiscal year.

Not to exceed 17½ per centum of the amount herein appropriated for construction of roads in Alaska shall be available for construction work by force account, or on a hired-labor basis.

**CONSTRUCTION, ALASKA RAILROAD**

For the authorized work of the Alaska Railroad, including improvements and new construction, to remain available until expended, $4,100,000: Provided, That funds appropriated under this head may be transferred to the Alaska Railroad Revolving Fund for purposes of accounting and administration.

**ALASKA RAILROAD REVOLVING FUND**

The Alaska Railroad Revolving Fund shall continue available until expended for the work authorized by law, including operation and maintenance of oceangoing or coastwise vessels by ownership, charter, or arrangement with other branches of the Government service, for the purpose of providing additional facilities for transportation of freight, passengers, or mail, when deemed necessary for the benefit and development of industries or travel in the area served; and payment of compensation and expenses as authorized by section 42 of the Act of September 7, 1916 (5 U.S.C. 793), to be reimbursed as therein provided: Provided, That no one other than the general manager of said railroad, and one assistant general manager at not to
exceed $13,000 per annum, shall be paid an annual salary out of said fund of more than $11,000.

ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior (referred to herein as the Secretary), including teletype rentals and service, $2,065,000.

GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Sec. 101. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, aliens may be employed during the current fiscal year in the field service of the Department for periods of not more than thirty days in cases of emergency caused by fire, flood, storm, act of God, or sabotage.

Sec. 102. Appropriations made in this title shall be available for expenditure or transfer (within each bureau or office), with the approval of the Secretary, for the emergency reconstruction, replacement or repair of buildings, utilities, or other facilities or equipment damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm, or other unavoidable causes: Provided, That no funds shall be made available under this authority until funds specifically made available to the Department of the Interior for emergencies shall have been exhausted.

Sec. 103. The Secretary may authorize the expenditure or transfer (within each bureau or office) of any appropriation in this title, in addition to the amounts included in the budget programs of the several agencies, for the suppression or emergency prevention of forest or range fires on or threatening lands under jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior: Provided, That appropriations made in this title for fire suppression purposes shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred during the preceding fiscal year.

Sec. 104. Appropriations made in this title shall be available for operation of warehouses, garages, shops, and similar facilities, wherever consolidation of activities will contribute to efficiency or economy, and said appropriations shall be reimbursed for services rendered to any other activity in the same manner as authorized by the Act of June 30, 1982 (31 U. S. C. 686): Provided, That reimbursements for cost of supplies, materials and equipment, and for services rendered may be credited to the appropriation current at the time such reimbursements are received.

Sec. 105. Appropriations made to the Department of the Interior in this title or in the Public Works Appropriation Act, 1956, shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), when authorized by the Secretary, at rates not to exceed $100 per diem for individuals, and in total amount not to exceed $250,000; maintenance and operation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles; purchase of reprints; payment for telephone service in private residences in the field, when authorized under regulations approved by the Secretary; and the payment of dues, when authorized by the Secretary, for library membership in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members.

Sec. 106. (a) Not to exceed $200,000 of the funds appropriated to the Department of the Interior in this title or in the Public Works Appropriation Act, 1956, shall be available to pay the compensation of all persons the budget estimates for personal services heretofore submitted to the Congress for the fiscal year 1956 contemplated would
be employed by such department, agency, or corporation during such fiscal year in the performance of—

(1) function performed by a person designated as an information specialist, information and editorial specialist, publications and information coordinator, press relations officer or counsel, photographer, radio expert, television expert, motion picture expert, or publicity expert, or designated by any similar title, or

(2) functions performed by persons who assist persons performing the functions described in (1) in drafting, preparing, editing, typing, duplicating or disseminating public information, publications or releases, radio or television scripts, magazine articles, photographs, motion picture and similar material, shall be available to pay the compensation of persons performing the functions described in (1) or (2).

(b) This section shall not apply to the preparation for publication of reports and maps resulting from authorized scientific and engineering investigations and surveys, to photography incident to the compilation and reproduction of maps and reports, or publications of the National Park Service, or to photocopying of permanent records for preservation.

TITLE II—RELATED AGENCIES

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses made necessary by the Act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts (40 U. S. C. 104), including payment of actual traveling expenses of the members and secretary of the Commission in attending meetings and committee meetings of the Commission either within or outside the District of Columbia, to be disbursed on vouchers approved by the Commission, $21,200.

FEDERAL COAL MINE SAFETY BOARD OF REVIEW

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Federal Coal Mine Safety Board of Review, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $70,000.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Research: For the construction of roads at the National Arboretum in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March 4, 1927 (44 Stat. 1422, 20 U. S. C. 191-194), $150,000: Provided, That the construction of said roads may be performed by the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce.

FOREST SERVICE—SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary, including not to exceed $15,000 for employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), including travel expenses of advisory councils or similar groups; to experiment and make investigations and report on forestry, national forests, forest fires, forest insects and diseases, and lumbering; to advise the owners of woodlands as to the
proper care of the same; to investigate and test American timber and
timer trees and their uses, and methods, for the preservative treatment
of timber; to seek, through investigations and the planting of native
and foreign species, suitable trees for the treeless regions; to protect,
administer, and improve the national forests, including tree planting
and other measures to prevent erosion, drift, surface wash, soil waste,
and the formation of floods, and to conserve water; to ascertain the
natural conditions upon and utilize the national forests, to transport
care for fish and game supplied to stock the national forests
or the waters therein; for management of lands acquired under the
land utilization program; and to collate, digest, report, and illus-
trate the results of experiments and investigations made by the Forest
Service: Provided, That the appropriations available to the Forest
Service for the current fiscal year may be used for the operation and
maintenance of aircraft, and the purchase of not to exceed four (for
replacement only), uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by
the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); the purchase, erection,
alteration of buildings and other public improvements, but the
cost of any building purchased, erected, or as improved, exclusive of
the cost of constructing a water-supply or sanitary system and of con-
necting the same with any such building, and exclusive of the cost of
any tower upon which a lookout house may be erected, shall not exceed
$18,500 ($22,500 in Alaska) with the exception that any building
erected, purchased, or acquired, the cost of which was $18,500 or more,
may be improved out of the appropriations available to the Forest
Service within any fiscal year by an amount not to exceed 2 per centum
of the cost of such building, and not to exceed $250,000 of such appro-
priations may be used for the maintenance, improvement, and con-
struction of aircraft landing fields in, or adjacent to, the national
forests, as follows:

National forest protection and management: For the administra-
tion, protection, use, maintenance, improvement, and development of
the national forests, including the establishment and maintenance
of forest tree nurseries, including the procurement of tree seed and
nursery stock by purchase, production, or otherwise, seeding and
tree planting and the care of plantations and young growth; the
maintenance of roads and trails and the construction and mainte-
nance of all other improvements necessary for the proper and
 economical administration, protection, development, and use of the
national forests, including experimental areas under Forest Service
administration; the construction (not to exceed $18,500 for any one
structure), equipment, and maintenance of sanitary and recreational
facilities; timber cultural operations; development and application of
fish and game management plans; propagation and transplanting of
plants suitable for planting on semiarid portions of the national
forests; estimating and appraising of timber and other resources and
development and application of plans for their effective management,
sale, and use; expenses of the National Forest Reservation Commis-
sion as authorized by section 14 of the Act of March 1, 1911 (16
U. S. C. 514); examination, classification, surveying, and appraisal
of land incident to effecting exchanges authorized by law and of lands
within the boundaries of the national forests that may be opened to
homestead settlement and entry under the Act of June 11, 1906, and
the Act of August 10, 1912 (16 U. S. C. 506-509), as provided by the
Act of March 4, 1913 (16 U. S. C. 512); investigation and establish-
ment of water rights, including the purchase thereof or of lands or
interests in lands or rights-of-way for use and protection of water
rights necessary or beneficial in connection with the administration
and public use of the national forests; not to exceed $100,000 for the
purchase of parcels of land and interests therein in Sanders County, Montana, but such land shall not be acquired without the approval of the local government concerned; and all expenses necessary for the use, maintenance, improvement, protection, and general administration of the national forests, and for the management of lands under title III of the Act of July 22, 1937, and the Act of August 11, 1945 (7 U. S. C. 1010–1012) $35,511,500: Provided, That the Secretary may sell at market value any property located in Yalobusha, Chickasaw, and Pontotoc Counties, Mississippi, administered under title III of the Act of July 22, 1937, and suitable for return to private ownership under such terms and conditions as would not conflict with the purposes of said Act.

Fighting forest fires: For fighting and preventing forest fires on or threatening lands under Forest Service administration, including lands under contract for purchase or in process of condemnation for Forest Service purposes, and for liquidation of obligations incurred in the preceding fiscal year for such purpose, $5,250,000, of which $1,750,000 shall be apportioned for use, pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions.

Control of forest pests: For the control of white pine blister rust pursuant to the Act of April 26, 1940 (16 U. S. C. 594a), including the development and testing of new control methods, $2,735,000, of which $355,000 shall be available to the Department of the Interior for the control of white pine blister rust on or endangering Federal lands under the jurisdiction of that Department or lands of Indian tribes which are under the jurisdiction of or retained under restrictions of the United States; and for carrying out the Forest Pest Control Act (16 U. S. C., Supp. V, 594–1–594–5), $3,537,500, of which $3,137,500 shall be apportioned for use pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, for the purposes of said Act to the extent necessary under the then existing conditions; $6,272,500.

Forest research: For forest research at forest or range experiment stations, the Forest Products Laboratory, or elsewhere, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the Act approved May 22, 1928, as amended (16 U. S. C. 581, 581a–581e, 581f–581i), including the construction and maintenance of improvements; fire, silvicultural, watershed, forest insects and diseases, and other forest investigations and experiments; investigations and experiments to develop improved methods of management of forest and related ranges; experiments, investigations, and tests of forest products; marketing research and service on timber and timber products; a comprehensive forest survey; and investigations in forest economics; $7,754,000: Provided, That funds may be advanced to cooperators under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe when such action will stimulate or facilitate cooperative work.

FOREST ROADS AND TRAILS

For expenses necessary for carrying out the provisions of section 28 of the Federal Highway Act approved November 9, 1921, as amended (23 U. S. C. 23, 23a), relating to forest development roads and trails, including the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of roads and trails on experimental areas under Forest Service administration, $24,000,000, which sum is authorized to be appropriated by the Act of May 6, 1954 (Public Law 350), to remain available until expended.
ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS

Weeks Act

For the acquisition of forest lands under the provisions of the Act approved March 1, 1911, as amended (16 U. S. C. 513–519, 521), $190,000, to be available only for payment of the purchase price of any lands acquired, including the cost of surveys in connection with such acquisition: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for acquisition of any land which is not within the boundaries of a national forest: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for the acquisition of any land without the approval of the local government concerned.

Special Acts

For the acquisition of land to facilitate the control of soil erosion and flood damage originating within the exterior boundaries of the following national forest, in accordance with the provisions of the following Act authorizing annual appropriations of forest receipts for such purposes, and in not to exceed the following amount from such receipts: Cache National Forest, Utah, Act of May 11, 1938, (Public Law 505), as amended, $10,000: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for acquisition of any land which is not within the boundaries of a national forest: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for the acquisition of any land without the approval of the local government concerned.

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY COOPERATION

For expenses necessary for cooperation with the various States in forest-fire prevention and suppression, in forest tree planting, and in forest management and processing, pursuant to the Act of August 25, 1950 (16 U. S. C. 568c, 568d), and sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Act of June 7, 1924 (16 U. S. C. 564–567c), and Acts supplementary thereto; advising timberland owners, associations, and other appropriate agencies in the application of forest management principles to federally owned lands leased to States and to private forest lands, and advising wood-using industries in processing of forest products, so as to attain sustained-yield management, the conservation of the timber resources, the productivity of forest lands, and the stabilization of employment and economic continuance of forest industries; $11,337,129.

COOPERATIVE RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

For artificial revegetation, construction, and maintenance of range improvements, control of rodents, and eradication of poisonous and noxious plants on national forests as authorized by section 12 of the Act of April 24, 1950 (16 U. S. C. 580h), $700,000, to remain available until expended.

GENERAL PROVISIONS, FOREST SERVICE

SEC. 201. Within the unit limit of cost fixed by law, the lump-sum appropriations and authorizations made for the Forest Service under this Act shall be available for the purchase, in addition to those specifically provided for, of not to exceed 165 passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, and for the hire of such vehicles, necessary in the conduct of the work of the Forest Service outside the District of Columbia.
Employment of aliens.

Sec. 202. Provisions of law prohibiting or restricting the employment of aliens shall not apply to (1) the temporary employment of translators when competent citizen translators are not available; (2) employment in cases of emergency of persons in the field service for periods of not more than sixty days.

Purchase of lands.

Sec. 203. Of appropriations herein made which are available for the purchase of lands, not to exceed $1 may be expended for each option to purchase any particular tract or tracts of land.

Purchase of twine.

Sec. 204. Except to provide materials required in or incident to research or experimental work where no suitable domestic product is available, no part of the funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be expended in the purchase of twine manufactured from commodities or materials produced outside of the United States.

Publicity or propaganda.

Sec. 205. No part of any appropriation to the Forest Service in this Act shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes to support or defeat legislation pending before the Congress.

INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act of August 13, 1946 (25 U. S. C. 70), creating an Indian Claims Commission, $119,500, of which not to exceed $3,600 shall be available for expenses of travel.

JAMESTOWN-WILLIAMSBURG-YORKTOWN CELEBRATION COMMISSION

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act of August 18, 1953 (67 Stat. 576), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; transportation and not to exceed $20 per diem in lieu of subsistence for members of the Commission serving without compensation; and entertainment; $100,000.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses, as authorized by the National Capital Planning Act of 1952 (66 Stat. 781), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); not to exceed $175 for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals; not to exceed $7,500 for expenses of travel; payment in advance for membership in societies whose publications or services are available to members only or to members at a price lower than to the general public; and transportation and not to exceed $15 per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 73b-2), for members of the Commission serving without compensation: $143,000.

Land acquisition, National Capital park, parkway, and playground system: Under authority of the Act of May 29, 1930 (46 Stat. 482), as amended, for necessary expenses for the National Capital Planning Commission for acquisition of land for the park, parkway, and playground system of the National Capital, to remain available until expended, $500,000, of which (a) $228,000 shall be available for the purposes of section 1 (a) of said Act of May 29, 1930, (b) $124,000 shall be available for the purposes of section 1 (b) thereof, and (c) $148,000 shall be available for the purposes of section 4 thereof: Provided, That not exceeding $30,000 of the funds available for land acquisition purposes shall be used during the current fiscal year for necessary expenses of the Commission (other than payments for land) in connection with land acquisition.
Salaries and expenses, Smithsonian Institution: For all necessary expenses for the preservation, exhibition, and increase of collections from the surveying and exploring expeditions of the Government and from other sources; for the system of international exchanges between the United States and foreign countries; for anthropological researches among the American Indians and the natives of lands under the jurisdiction or protection of the United States, independently or in cooperation with State, educational, and scientific organizations in the United States, and the excavation and preservation of archeological remains; for maintenance of the Astrophysical Observatory and making necessary observations in high altitudes; for the administration of the National Collection of Fine Arts; for the administration, construction, and maintenance of laboratory and other facilities on Barro Colorado Island, Canal Zone, under the provisions of the Act of July 2, 1940, as amended by the provisions of Reorganization Plan Number 3 of 1946; for the maintenance and administration of a national air museum as authorized by the Act of August 12, 1946 (20 U. S. C. 77); including not to exceed $35,000 for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); not to exceed $17,225 for expenses of travel; purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards and elevator conductors; repairs and alterations of buildings and approaches; and preparation of manuscripts, drawings, and illustrations for publications; $4,000,000: Provided, That the Smithsonian Institution is authorized without regard to section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, to place two positions in GS-18, two positions in GS-17, and one additional position in GS-16 of the General Schedule established by said Act.

Salaries and expenses, National Gallery of Art: For the upkeep, and operation of the National Gallery of Art, the protection and care of the works of art therein, and administrative expenses incident thereto, as authorized by the Act of March 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 51), as amended by the public resolution of April 13, 1939 (Public Resolution 9, Seventy-sixth Congress), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); payment in advance when authorized by the treasurer of the Gallery for membership in library, museum, and art associations or societies whose publications or services are available to members only, or to members at a price lower than to the general public; purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards and elevator operators; purchase or rental of devices and services for protecting buildings and contents thereof, and maintenance and repair of buildings, approaches, and grounds; not to exceed $2,400 for expenses of travel; and not to exceed $15,000 for restoration and repair of works of art for the National Gallery of Art by contracts made, without advertising, with individuals, firms, or organizations at such rates or prices and under such terms and conditions as the Gallery may deem proper; $1,355,000.

Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act of August 30, 1954 (68 Stat. 964, 965), $10,000, to remain available until June 30, 1957.
TITLE III—VIRGIN ISLANDS CORPORATION

Grants

For payment to the Virgin Islands Corporation in the form of grants as authorized by law, $390,000.

Administrative Expenses

During the current fiscal year the Virgin Islands Corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds available to it and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal-year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out its programs as set forth in the budget for the fiscal year 1956; Provided, That not to exceed $160,000 shall be available for administrative expenses (to be computed on an accrual basis) of the Corporation, covering the categories set forth in the 1956 Budget estimates for such expenses.

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Travel expenses.

Sec. 401. Unless otherwise provided by law, appropriations contained in this Act available for expenses of travel shall be available, when specifically authorized by the head of the activity or establishment concerned, for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the function or activity for which the appropriation concerned is made.

Strikes or overthrow of Government.

Sec. 402. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence; Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not, contrary to the provisions of this section, engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence; Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence, and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both; Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in sub-
stitution for any other provisions of existing law: Provided further, That in cases of emergency, caused by fire, flood, storm, act of God, or sabotage, persons may be employed for periods of not more than thirty days and be paid salaries and wages without the necessity of inquiring into their membership in any organization.

This Act may be cited as the "Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1956."

Approved June 16, 1955.

Public Law 79

AN ACT

To revive and reenact the Act authorizing the village of Baudette, State of Minnesota, its public successors or public assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Rainy River, at or near Baudette, Minnesota, approved December 21, 1950.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved December 21, 1950, entitled "An Act authorizing the village of Baudette, State of Minnesota, its public successors or public assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Rainy River, at or near Baudette, Minnesota", be, and is hereby, revived and reenacted: Provided, That this Act shall be null and void unless the actual construction of the bridge herein referred to be commenced within two years and completed within four years from the date of approval hereof.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved June 16, 1955.

Public Law 80

AN ACT

To authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Warwick, Virginia, and the city of Hampton, Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Housing and Home Finance Administrator is authorized to sell and convey at fair market value as determined by him on the basis of an appraisal made by an independent real estate expert (a) (1) to the city of Warwick, Virginia, or to a public housing authority for such city, or to any agency or corporation, established or sponsored in the public interest by such city, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to War Housing Project VA–44061, and that portion of War Housing Project VA–44067 which lies within the limits of said city of Warwick, and (2) to the city of Hampton, Virginia, or to a public housing authority for such city, or to any agency or corporation, established or sponsored in the public interest by such city, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to that portion of War Housing Project VA–44067 which lies within the limits of the city of Hampton, or (b) to the cities of Warwick and Hampton, Virginia, jointly, or to a public housing authority for such cities, or to any agency or corporation jointly established or sponsored in the public interest by such cities, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to both or either of the projects mentioned in (1) and (2) above. Any
sale pursuant to this authorization shall be on such terms and conditions as the Administrator shall determine, and the amount received for each project shall be reported by the Administrator to the Banking and Currency Committee of the Senate and the Banking and Currency Committee of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this Act shall be effective only during the period ending six months after the date of approval hereof.

Approved June 16, 1955.

CHAPTER 150

AN ACT
To authorize the conveyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the following-described land situated in Woodward County, Oklahoma:

Beginning at a point 66.0 feet south and 283.0 feet west of the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west, Indian meridian, and running thence south 273.0 feet, thence west 150.0 feet, thence north 273.0 feet, thence east 150.0 feet to the point of beginning, all lying in the northwest quarter of section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west, Indian meridian, and including an area of 0.940 acre more or less.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall be made subject to (a) the condition that the city of Woodward, Oklahoma, pay into the Treasury of the United States, in return for the land conveyed, an amount equal to 50 per centum of the fair market value of such land to be determined by the Secretary of Agriculture after appraisal of such land, and (b) such other conditions, limitations, or reservations as the Secretary may deem necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

Approved June 16, 1955.

CHAPTER 151

AN ACT
To strengthen the investigation provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third sentence of section 6 (b) of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 15) is amended to read as follows: "For the purpose of securing effective enforcement of the provisions of this Act, and for the purpose of any investigation or proceeding under this Act, the provisions, including penalties, of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended and supplemented (49 U.S.C. 12, 46, 47, 48), relating to the attendance and testimony of witnesses, the production of documentary evidence, and the immunity of witnesses, are made applicable to the power, jurisdiction, and authority of the Secretary of Agriculture (or any person designated by him), the commission, and any referee designated pursuant to the provisions of this Act, and to any person subject thereto."

Approved June 16, 1955.
AN ACT
June 16, 1955

To amend Veterans Regulation Numbered 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) Veterans Regulation Numbered 7 (a) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"II. Outpatient dental services and treatment, and related dental appliances, shall be furnished under this regulation only for any dental condition or disability—

"(1) which is service connected and compensable in degree;

"(2) which is service connected and is shown to have been in existence at time of discharge or release from active service, but only if application for treatment is made within one year after discharge or release, or by December 31, 1954, whichever last occurs;

"(3) which is a service-connected dental condition or disability due to combat wounds or other service trauma or of a former prisoner of war;

"(4) which is associated with and is aggravating disability from some other disease or injury which was incurred in or aggravated by active service; or

"(5) of a veteran of the Spanish-American War (including the Boxer Rebellion and the Philippine Insurrection): Provided, That benefits afforded under clause (2) shall be on a onetime completion basis, unless the services rendered on a onetime basis are found unacceptable within the limitations of good professional standards, in which event such additional services may be afforded as are required to complete professionally acceptable treatment."

(b) The amendment made by this section shall not be construed to affect the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to furnish dental services to veteran trainees under part VII of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), or under Public Law 16, Seventy-eighth Congress, as amended and extended.

SEC. 2. The provisos in the paragraph "Outpatient care" under the heading "VETERANS ADMINISTRATION" in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955, are hereby repealed.

Approved June 16, 1955.
"(1) To purchase a farm on which there is a farm residence to be occupied by the veteran as his home;

"(2) To construct on land owned by the veteran a farm residence to be occupied by him as his home; or

"(3) To repair, alter, or improve a farm residence owned by the veteran and occupied by him as his home.

If there is an indebtedness which is secured by a lien against land owned by the veteran, the proceeds of a loan for the construction of a farm residence on such land may be expended also to liquidate such lien, but only if the reasonable value of the land is equal to or in excess of the amount of the lien."

SEC. 2. Subsection (b) of such section is hereby amended by inserting immediately after "specified in subsection (a)" the following: "or subsection (c)".

Approved June 16, 1955.

Public Law 85

AN ACT

To authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to reconvey to Richland County, South Carolina, a portion of the Veterans' Administration hospital reservation, Columbia, South Carolina.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized and directed to reconvey to Richland County, South Carolina, without consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of approximately one hundred and ten acres of land which constitute a portion of land conveyed to the United States by Richland County. The one hundred and ten acres now comprise a portion of the Veterans' Administration hospital reservation, Columbia, South Carolina, lying west of the main hospital buildings. The exact legal description of the land to be conveyed shall be determined by the Administrator or his designate and, in the event that a survey is required in order to make such determination, Richland County shall bear the expense thereof.

SEC. 2. The deed of conveyance authorized under the provisions of this Act may contain such terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions as may be determined by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to be necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

Approved June 16, 1955.

Public Law 86

AN ACT

To extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1955".

SEC. 2. The period during which the President is authorized to enter into foreign trade agreements under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1351), is hereby extended from June 12, 1955, until the close of June 30, 1958.

SEC. 3. (a) Subsection (a) of section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1351 (a)), is hereby amended to read as follows:
“(a) (1) For the purpose of expanding foreign markets for the products of the United States (as a means of assisting in establishing and maintaining a better relationship among various branches of American agriculture, industry, mining, and commerce) by regulating the admission of foreign goods into the United States in accordance with the characteristics and needs of various branches of American production so that foreign markets will be made available to those branches of American production which require and are capable of developing such outlets by affording corresponding market opportunities for foreign products in the United States, the President, whenever he finds as a fact that any existing duties or other import restrictions of the United States or any foreign country are unduly burdening and restricting the foreign trade of the United States and that the purpose above declared will be promoted by the means hereinafter specified, is authorized from time to time—

“(A) To enter into foreign trade agreements with foreign governments or instrumentalities thereof: Provided, That the enactment of the Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1955 shall not be construed to determine or indicate the approval or disapproval by the Congress of the executive agreement known as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

“(B) To proclaim such modifications of existing duties and other import restrictions, or such additional import restrictions, or such continuance, and for such minimum periods, of existing customs or excise treatment of any article covered by foreign trade agreements, as are required or appropriate to carry out any foreign trade agreement that the President has entered into hereunder.

“(2) No proclamation pursuant to paragraph (1) (B) of this subsection shall be made—

“(A) Increasing by more than 50 per centum any rate of duty existing on January 1, 1945.

“(B) Transferring any article between the dutiable and free lists.

“(C) In order to carry out a foreign trade agreement entered into by the President before June 12, 1955, or with respect to which notice of intention to negotiate was published in the Federal Register on November 16, 1954, decreasing by more than 50 per centum any rate of duty existing on January 1, 1945.

“(D) In order to carry out a foreign trade agreement entered into by the President on or after June 12, 1955, decreasing (except as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph) any rate of duty below the lowest of the following rates:

“(i) The rate 15 per centum below the rate existing on January 1, 1955.

“(ii) In the case of any article subject to an ad valorem rate of duty above 50 per centum (or a combination of ad valorem rates aggregating more than 50 per centum), the rate 50 per centum ad valorem (or a combination of ad valorem rates aggregating 50 per centum). In the case of any article subject to a specific rate of duty (or a combination of rates including a specific rate) the ad valorem equivalent of which has been determined by the President to have been above 50 per centum during a period determined by the President to be a representative period, the rate 50 per centum ad valorem or the rate (or a combination of rates), however stated, the ad valorem equivalent of which the President determines would have been 50 per centum during such
Effectivity of duty modifications.

“(3) (A) Subject to the provisions of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of this paragraph, the provisions of any proclamation made under paragraph (1) (B) of this subsection, and the provisions of any proclamation of suspension under paragraph (4) of this subsection, shall be in effect from and after such time as is specified in the proclamation.

“(B) In the case of any decrease in duty to which paragraph (2) (D) of this subsection applies—

“(i) if the total amount of the decrease under the foreign trade agreement does not exceed 15 per centum of the rate existing on January 1, 1955, the amount of decrease becoming initially effective at one time shall not exceed 5 per centum of the rate existing on January 1, 1955;

“(ii) except as provided in clause (i), not more than one-third of the total amount of the decrease under the foreign trade agreement shall become initially effective at one time; and

“(iii) no part of the decrease after the first part shall become initially effective until the immediately previous part shall have been in effect for a period or periods aggregating not less than one year.

“(C) No part of any decrease in duty to which the alternative specified in paragraph (2) (D) (i) of this subsection applies shall become initially effective after the expiration of the three-year period which begins on July 1, 1955. If any part of such decrease has become effective, then for purposes of this subparagraph any time thereafter during which such part of the decrease is not in effect by reason of legislation of the United States or action thereunder shall be excluded in determining when the three-year period expires.

“(D) If (in order to carry out a foreign trade agreement entered into by the President on or after June 12, 1955) the President determines that such action will simplify the computation of the amount of duty imposed with respect to an article, he may exceed any limitation specified in paragraph (2) (C) or (D) of this subsection or subparagraph (B) of this paragraph by not more than whichever of the following is lesser:

“(i) The difference between the limitation and the next lower whole number, or

“(ii) One-half of 1 per centum ad valorem.

In the case of a specific rate (or of a combination of rates which includes a specific rate), the one-half of 1 per centum specified in clause (ii) of the preceding sentence shall be determined in the same manner as the ad valorem equivalent of rates not stated wholly in ad valorem terms is determined for the purposes of paragraph (2) (D) (ii) of this subsection.

Applyability. 65 Stat. 75.
“(5) The President may at any time terminate, in whole or in part, any proclamation made pursuant to this section.”

(b) The last sentence of section 350 (b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1351 (b)), is hereby amended to read as follows: “No rate of duty on products of Cuba shall be decreased—

“(1) In order to carry out a foreign trade agreement entered into by the President before June 12, 1955, by more than 50 per centum of the rate of duty existing on January 1, 1945, with respect to products of Cuba.

“(2) In order to carry out a foreign trade agreement entered into by the President on or after June 12, 1955, below the applicable alternative specified in subsection (a) (2) (C) or (D) (subject to the provisions of subsection (a) (3) (B), (C), and (D)), each such alternative to be read for the purposes of this paragraph as relating to the rate of duty applicable to products of Cuba. With respect to products of Cuba, the limitation of subsection (a) (2) (D) (ii) may be exceeded to such extent as may be required to maintain an absolute margin of preference to which such products are entitled.”

(c) Subsection (c) of section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1351 (c)), is hereby amended by inserting “(1)” after “(c)”, by striking out “(1)” and inserting in lieu thereof “(A)”, by striking out “(2)” and inserting in lieu thereof “(B)”, and by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

“(2) For purposes of this section—

“(A) Except as provided in subsection (d), the terms ‘existing on January 1, 1945’ and ‘existing on January 1, 1955’ refer to rates of duty (however established, and even though temporarily suspended by Act of Congress or otherwise) existing on the date specified, except rates in effect by reason of action taken pursuant to section 5 of the Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1951 (19 U. S. C., sec. 1362).

“(B) The term ‘existing’ without the specification of any date, when used with respect to any matter relating to the conclusion of, or proclamation to carry out, a foreign trade agreement, means existing on the day on which that trade agreement is entered into.”

(d) Section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1351), is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(e) (1) The President shall submit to the Congress an annual report on the operation of the trade agreements program, including information regarding new negotiations, modifications made in duties and import restrictions of the United States, reciprocal concessions obtained, modifications of existing trade agreements in order to effectuate more fully the purposes of the trade agreements legislation (including the incorporation therein of escape clauses), and other information relating to that program and to the agreements entered into thereunder.

“(2) The Tariff Commission shall at all times keep informed concerning the operation and effect of provisions relating to duties or other import restrictions of the United States contained in trade agreements heretofore or hereafter entered into by the President under the authority of this section. The Tariff Commission, at least once a year, shall submit to the Congress a factual report on the operation of the trade-agreements program.”
SEC. 5. The last sentence of subsection (a) of section 7 of the Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1951, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1364 (a)), is amended to read as follows: "The Tariff Commission shall immediately make public its findings and recommendations to the President, including any dissenting or separate findings and recommendations, and shall cause a summary thereof to be published in the Federal Register."

SEC. 6. (a) Subsection (b) of section 7 of the Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1951, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1364 (b)), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Increased imports, either actual or relative, shall be considered as the cause or threat of serious injury to the domestic industry producing like or directly competitive products when the Commission finds that such increased imports have contributed substantially towards causing or threatening serious injury to such industry."

(b) Section 7 of the Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1951, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1364), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(e) As used in this Act, the terms 'domestic industry producing like or directly competitive products' and 'domestic industry producing like or directly competitive articles' mean that portion or subdivision of the producing organizations manufacturing, assembling, processing, extracting, growing, or otherwise producing like or directly competitive products or articles in commercial quantities. In applying the preceding sentence, the Commission shall (so far as practicable) distinguish or separate the operations of the producing organizations involving the like or directly competitive products or articles referred to in such sentence from the operations of such organizations involving other products or articles."

SEC. 7. Section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended", approved July 1, 1954 (19 U. S. C., sec. 1352a), is hereby amended by inserting "(a)" after "SEC. 2." and by adding at the end thereof a new subsection as follows:

"(b) In order to further the policy and purpose of this section, whenever the Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization has reason to believe that any article is being imported into the United States in such quantities as to threaten to impair the national security, he shall so advise the President, and if the President agrees that there is reason for such belief, the President shall cause an immediate investigation to be made to determine the facts. If, on the basis of such investigation, and the report to him of the findings and recommendations made in connection therewith, the President finds that the article is being imported into the United States in such quantities as to threaten to impair the national security, he shall take such action as he deems necessary to adjust the imports of such article to a level that will not threaten to impair the national security."

Approved June 21, 1955.
Public Law 88

AN ACT

To amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 to extend the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to make direct loans, and to authorize the Administrator to make additional types of direct loans thereunder, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (a) of section 512 of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (38 U. S. C., sec. 6941) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 512. (a) (1) Upon application by a veteran eligible for the benefits of this title, the Administrator is authorized and directed to make, or enter into a commitment to make, the veteran a loan for any of the following purposes:

(A) To purchase or construct a dwelling to be owned and occupied by him as a home;

(B) To purchase a farm on which there is a farm residence to be occupied by the veteran as his home;

(C) To construct on land owned by the veteran a farm residence to be occupied by him as his home; or

(D) To repair, alter, or improve a farm residence or other dwelling owned by the veteran and occupied by him as his home; if the Administrator finds that in the area in which the dwelling, farm, or farm residence is located or is to be constructed, private capital is not available for the financing of the purchase or construction of dwellings, the purchase of farms with farm residences, or the construction, repair, alteration, or improvement of farm residences or other dwellings, as the case may be, by veterans under this title. In case there is an indebtedness which is secured by a lien against land owned by the veteran, the proceeds of a loan made under this section for the construction of a dwelling or farm residence on such land may be expended also to liquidate such lien, but only if the reasonable value of the land is equal to or in excess of the amount of the lien.

(2) No loan shall be made under this section to a veteran unless he shows to the satisfaction of the Administrator—

(A) that he is a satisfactory credit risk;

(B) that the payments to be required under the proposed loan bear a proper relation to the veteran's present and anticipated income and expenses;

(C) that he is unable to obtain from private lending sources in such area at an interest rate not in excess of the rate authorized

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for guaranteed home loans a loan for such purpose for which he is qualified under section 501 of this title; and

“(D) that he is unable to obtain a loan for such purpose from the Secretary of Agriculture under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, or under the Housing Act of 1949.”

Sec. 2. (a) Subsection (b) of such section is hereby amended by striking out clauses (A) and (B) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“(A) the original principal amount of any such loan shall not exceed an amount which bears the same ratio to $10,000 as the amount of guaranty to which the veteran is entitled under section 501 at the time the loan is made bears to $7,500;

“(B) the guaranty entitlement of the veteran shall be charged with an amount which bears the same ratio to $7,500 as the amount of the loan bears to $10,000.”

(b) The amendments made by this section shall not apply with respect to loans or commitments made under such section 512 prior to the date of enactment of this section.

Sec. 3. Subsection (d) of such section is hereby amended by striking out “section 501 (b)” and inserting in lieu thereof “section 501”.

Sec. 4. (a) Subsection (e) of such section is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(e) Loans made under this section shall be repaid in monthly installments; except, that in the case of loans made for any of the purposes described in clause (B), (C), or (D) of paragraph (1) of subsection (a), the Administrator may provide that such loans shall be repaid in quarterly, semiannual, or annual installments.”

(b) The amendment made by this section shall apply only with respect to direct loans held by the Administrator on the date of enactment of this Act and direct loans made by the Administrator on or after such date.

Sec. 5. Such section is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(f) No veteran may obtain loans under this section aggregating more than $10,000.”

Sec. 6. (a) Clause (C) of subsection (b) of such section is hereby amended by striking out “June 30, 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1957”.

(b) Subsection (a) of section 513 of such Act is hereby amended by striking out “June 30, 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1957”.

(c) Subsection (c) of such section 513 is hereby amended by striking out “June 30, 1956” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1958”.

(d) The first sentence of subsection (d) of such section 513 is hereby amended by striking out all beginning with “June 30, 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1957, such additional sums (not in excess of $150,000,000 in any one fiscal year) as the Administrator may request, except that the aggregate so advanced in any one quarter annual period shall not exceed the sum of $50,000,000 less that amount which had been returned to the revolving fund during the preceding quarter annual period from the sale of loans pursuant to section 512 (d) of this title.”.

(e) The amendments made by this section shall take effect as of June 30, 1955.

Approved June 21, 1955.
AN ACT

To increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of March 4, 1907 (ch. 2918, sec. 1, 34 Stat. 1322) as amended (33 U. S. C. 862), is further amended to read as follows: “Commissioned officers, ships officers, members of crews of vessels, and field employees of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey are authorized to make assignments or allotments of their pay under such regulations as the Secretary of Commerce may prescribe.”

Sec. 2. (a) The last proviso of the first paragraph of section 16, Act of May 22, 1917 (40 Stat. 88; 33 U. S. C. 854), is amended to read as follows: “No person shall be appointed ensign and no commissioned officer shall be promoted to a higher permanent grade on the active list until he has passed a satisfactory mental and physical examination in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Commerce.”

(b) Section 16 of the Act of May 22, 1917 (40 Stat. 88; 33 U. S. C. 856), is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the third paragraph and substituting therefor the following:

“Section 16 of the Act of May 22, 1917 (40 Stat. 88; 33 U. S. C. 856), is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the third paragraph and substituting therefor the following:

“When serving with the Army, Navy, or Air Force, commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey shall rank with and after officers of corresponding grade in the Army, Navy, or Air Force of the same length of service in grade.”

Sec. 3. (a) The second proviso of section 2b of the Act of January 19, 1942 (56 Stat. 7; 33 U. S. C. 854a (b)), as amended, is further amended by inserting a period after the word “engineer” and deleting the words “in excess of one year” which appear at the end of the proviso.

(b) Section 8 of the Act of January 19, 1942 (56 Stat. 8), as amended (33 U. S. C. 852b), is further amended to read as follows:

“The Assistant Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, from the active list of commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey not below the rank of commander, for a term of four years, and may be reappointed for further periods of four years each: Provided, That the appointment of the Assistant Director shall terminate six months after the appointment of a new Director. His appointment shall create a vacancy and, while holding said office, he shall have the rank, pay, and allowances of a rear admiral (lower half).

Any officer who may be retired while serving as Director or Assistant Director, or who has or shall have served four years as Director or Assistant Director and is retired after completion of such service while serving in a lower rank or grade, shall be retired with the rank, pay, and allowances authorized by law for the highest grade or rank held by him as Director or Assistant Director: Provided, That any officer, upon expiration of his appointment as Director or Assistant Director, shall, unless reappointed, revert to the grade and number that he would have occupied had he not served as Director or Assistant Director and such officer shall be an extra number in his grade.”

Sec. 4. (a) Section 6 (a) of the Coast and Geodetic Survey Commissioned Officers Act of June 3, 1948 (62 Stat. 298; 33 U. S. C. 853e) is amended by changing the period to a colon at the end thereof and adding the following: “Provided, That whenever there are vacancies
in the grade of lieutenant (junior grade), officers in the permanent
grade of ensign may be promoted to and appointed in the grade of
lieutenant (junior grade) upon completion of two years' service."

(b) Section 10 (a) of the Coast and Geodetic Survey Commissioned
Officers Act of June 3, 1948 (62 Stat. 299; 33 U. S. C. 853i (a)) is
amended to read:

"Appointments in and promotions to all permanent grades shall be
made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the
Senate."

SEC. 5. The following statutes are hereby repealed:

(1) Section 4687 of the Revised Statutes (33 U. S. C. 886).

(2) Section 4688 of the Revised Statutes (33 U. S. C. 887).

(3) Paragraph 7 of section 73 of the Act of January 12, 1895, as

(4) The last paragraph of section 1 of the Act of March 4, 1900 (35

890).

Approved June 21, 1955.

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CHAPTER 173

AN ACT

To amend section 16 of the Act entitled "An Act to adjust the salaries of
postmasters, supervisors, and employees in the field service of the Post Office

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 16 of
the Act entitled "An Act to adjust the salaries of postmasters, super-
visors, and employees in the field service of the Post Office Depart-
ment", approved October 24, 1951 (65 Stat. 632; 39 U. S. C. 876c), is
amended by inserting after the period at the end thereof a sentence
to read as follows: "On and after July 1, 1952, postmasters, officers,
and employees covered by this Act may be paid the compensation pre-
scribed for their grade and position."

SEC. 2. Nothing in this Act shall be construed or interpreted to
reduce the pay of any employee.

Approved June 21, 1955.

Public Law 91

CHAPTER 174

AN ACT

To continue until the close of June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes
on copper.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled
"An Act to suspend certain import taxes on copper", approved May 22,
1951 (Public Law 38, Eighty-second Congress), as amended, is hereby
further amended by striking out "June 30, 1955" and inserting in lieu
thereof "June 30, 1958".

Approved June 21, 1955.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes", enacted October 20, 1951 (Public Law 187, Eighty-second Congress), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 5. The benefits provided in this Act shall not be available to any veteran who has not made application for such benefits to the Administrator within five years after October 20, 1951, or within five years after the date of the veteran's discharge or release from active service if the veteran is not discharged or released until on or after October 20, 1951; except that in the case of any veteran whose loss or permanent loss of use of one or both feet, or one or both hands, or permanent impairment of vision, as specified in section 1, shall have occurred subsequent to his discharge or release from active service, application may be made within three years after the occurrence of such disability. Notwithstanding the foregoing time limits, no otherwise eligible veteran shall be denied the benefits of this Act who makes application within one year from the date on which his entitlement to compensation for loss or permanent loss of use of one or both feet, or one or both hands, or permanent impairment of vision, as specified in section 1, shall have been determined."

Approved June 21, 1955.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of September 30, 1950 (64 Stat. 1096), to provide for the conveyance of certain real property to the city of Richmond, California, is amended by the repeal of sections 3, 4, and 5 thereof, and the substitution of the following:

"Sec. 3. The conveyance authorized herein shall include all right and title of the Secretary of Commerce in and to that certain personality now installed within the bed of the said Central Drive, to wit: Approximately three thousand seven hundred feet of twelve-inch steel pipe, being a water main; and approximately five thousand and ninety feet of six-inch steel pipe, being a gas main. The city of Richmond may transfer or convey or otherwise dispose of the right, title, and interest in and to the aforesaid personality, or permit the use thereof to others, whether by deed, lease, permit or otherwise, and grant as well a perpetual easement, any other provision of this Act to the contrary notwithstanding, over the lands the conveyance of which is authorized in section 1 hereof, so as to permit the replacement, maintenance, operation, renewal, and repair of said personality: Provided, That as long as the property presently occupied by the said Maritime-Richmond Yard Numbered 3 is held by the United States, the city
of Richmond shall bind itself, its successors and assigns, its lessees and permittees to provide service through said water main and gas main or through any replacement or relocation thereof to said Maritime-Richmond Yard Numbered 3 as is required of water and gas utilities under the laws of the State of California.

"Sec. 4. In consideration of the conveyance authorized in section 1 hereof, and in addition to the conditions set forth in section 2 hereof, the city of Richmond will at all times maintain the said public highway to provide and permit perpetual access to the said Maritime-Richmond Yard Numbered 3 via said highway for all purposes, and will bind itself and its successors, assigns, lessees, or permittees, as the case may be, to any of the said pipes and pipelines, to provide and permit such service of water and gas as is required of water and gas utilities under the laws of the State of California through said pipes and pipelines or through any replacement or relocation thereof to said yard, as long as the property presently occupied by said yard is held by the United States."

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“(c) (1) The compensation schedule for the Crafts, Protective, and Custodial Schedule shall be as follows:

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“(2) Charwomen working part time shall be paid at the rate of $2,900 per annum, and head charwomen working part time shall be paid at the rate of $3,050 per annum.”

(b) The rates of basic compensation of officers and employees to whom this section applies shall be initially adjusted as follows:

(1) If the officer or employee is receiving basic compensation immediately prior to the effective date of this section at one of the scheduled or longevity rates of a grade in the General Schedule or the Crafts, Protective, and Custodial Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, he shall receive a rate of basic compensation at the corresponding scheduled or longevity rate in effect on and after such date;

(2) If the officer or employee is receiving basic compensation immediately prior to the effective date of this section at a rate between two scheduled or two longevity rates, or between a scheduled and a longevity rate, of a grade in the General Schedule or the Crafts, Protective, and Custodial Schedule, he shall receive a rate of basic compensation at the higher of the two corresponding rates in effect on and after such date;

(3) If the officer or employee (other than an officer or employee subject to paragraph (4) of this subsection), immediately prior to the effective date of this section, is receiving basic compensation at a rate in excess of the maximum longevity rate of his grade, or in excess of the maximum scheduled rate of his grade if there is no longevity rate for his grade, he shall receive basic compensation at a rate equal to the rate which he received immediately prior to such effective date, increased by an amount equal to the amount of the increase made by this section in the maximum longevity rate, or the maximum scheduled rate, as the case may be, of his grade until (A) he leaves such position, or (B) he is entitled to receive basic compensation at a higher rate by reason of the operation of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended; but when such position becomes vacant the rate of basic compensation of any subsequent appointee thereto shall be fixed in accordance with such Act, as amended;

(4) If the officer or employee, immediately prior to the effective date of this section, is receiving an existing aggregate rate of compensation determined under section 208 (b) of the Act of September 1, 1954 (Public Law 763, Eighty-third Congress), he shall receive an aggregate rate of compensation equal to such existing aggregate rate, increased by an amount equal to the amount of the increase made by this section in the maximum longevity rate of his grade until he (A) leaves such position, or (B) is entitled to receive aggregate compensation at a higher rate by reason of the operation of any other provision of law; but when such position becomes vacant the aggregate rate of compensation of any subsequent appointee thereto shall be
fixed in accordance with applicable provisions of law. For the purposes of section 208 (b) of the Act of September 1, 1954 (Public Law 763, Eighty-third Congress), the amount of such increase shall be held and considered to constitute a part of the existing aggregate rate of compensation of such employee; 

(5) If the officer or employee, immediately prior to the effective date of this section, was in a position for which the rate of compensation is fixed under section 603 (c) (2) of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, and at such time he was receiving basic compensation at a rate in excess of the rate provided for his position under such section, he shall receive basic compensation at a rate equal to the rate he was paid immediately prior to such effective date increased by an amount equal to the amount of the increase made by this section in the rate for like positions under such section 603 (c) (2) until he leaves such position; but when such position becomes vacant the rate of basic compensation of any subsequent appointee thereto shall be fixed in accordance with such section; or

(6) The rate of basic compensation of each officer or employee who, at any time during the period beginning on the effective date of this section and ending on the date of enactment of this Act, was promoted from one grade under the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, to another such grade at a rate which is above the minimum rate thereof, shall be adjusted retroactively from the effective date of this section to the date on which he was so promoted, on the basis of the rate which he was receiving during the period from such effective date to the date of such promotion and, from the date of such promotion, on the basis of the rate for that step of the appropriate grade of the appropriate compensation schedule contained in this section which corresponds numerically to the step of the grade of the compensation schedule for such officer or employee which was in effect (without regard to this Act) at the time of such promotion.

(c) Each officer or employee—

(1) (A) who with his position has been transferred, at any time during the period beginning January 1, 1952, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act, from the Crafts, Protective, and Custodial Schedule or the General Schedule to a prevailing rate schedule pursuant to the Classification Act of 1949 or title I of the Act of September 1, 1954 (Public Law 763, Eighty-third Congress), or (B) who, at any time during the period beginning on the effective date of this section and ending on the date of enactment of this Act, transferred from a position subject to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, to a position subject to a prevailing rate schedule,

(2) who at all times subsequent to such transfer was in the service of the United States (including the Armed Forces of the United States) or of the municipal government of the District of Columbia, without break in such service of more than thirty consecutive calendar days and, in the case of an individual relieved from training and service in the Armed Forces of the United States or discharged from hospitalization following such training and service, without break in service in excess of the period provided by law for the mandatory restoration of such individual to a position in or under the Federal Government or the municipal government of the District of Columbia,

(3) who is on such date of enactment being compensated under a prevailing rate schedule, and
(4) whose rate of basic compensation is less on such date of enactment than the rate to which he would have been entitled on such date of enactment if such transfer had not occurred (unless he is receiving such lesser rate by reason of an adverse personnel action resulting from his own fault),

shall be paid basic compensation at a rate equal to the rate which he would have been receiving on such date of enactment (including compensation for each within-grade and longevity step-increase which he would have earned) if such transfer had not occurred until the day immediately following such date of enactment, for all time in a pay status on and after the effective date of this section in a position subject to a prevailing rate schedule under the circumstances prescribed in this subsection, until (A) he leaves the position which he holds on such date of enactment, or (B) he is entitled to receive basic compensation at a higher rate under a prevailing rate schedule; but when such position becomes vacant, the rate of basic compensation of any subsequent appointee thereto shall be fixed in accordance with prevailing rate schedules.

(d) The rate of basic compensation of each officer or employee who, at any time during the period beginning on the effective date of this section and ending on the date of enactment of this Act, became subject to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, at a rate of basic compensation which was fixed on the basis of a higher previously earned rate or which was established under authority of section 803 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended (68 Stat. 1106; 5 U. S. C., sec. 1133), and which is above the minimum rate of the grade of such officer or employee, shall be adjusted, retroactively to the date on which he became subject to such Act, on the basis of the rate for that step of the appropriate grade of the appropriate compensation schedule contained in this section which corresponds numerically to the step of the grade of the compensation schedule for such officer or employee which was in effect (without regard to this Act) at the time he became subject to the Classification Act of 1949 as in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this section.

(e) The last sentence of section 704 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, is amended to read as follows: "Notwithstanding subsection (b) (4) of section 703, longevity step-increases for grade 15 of the General Schedule shall be the same as those for grade 14 of the General Schedule."

Sec. 3. (a) The rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in or under the judicial branch of the Government whose rates of compensation are fixed pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision a of section 62 of the Bankruptcy Act (11 U. S. C., sec. 102 (a) (2)), section 355 of title 18 of the United States Code, the second and third sentences of section 603, section 604 (a) (5), or sections 672 to 673, inclusive, of title 28 of the United States Code are hereby increased by amounts equal to the increases provided by section 2 of this Act in corresponding rates of compensation paid to officers and employees subject to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.

(b) The limitations of $10,560 and $14,355 with respect to the aggregate salaries payable to secretaries and law clerks of circuit and district judges, contained in the paragraph under the heading "SALARIES OF SUPPORTING PERSONNEL" in the Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1955 (Public Law 470, Eighty-third Congress), or in any subsequent appropriation Act, shall be increased by the amounts necessary to pay the additional basic compensation provided by this Act.
(c) Section 753 (e) of title 28 of the United States Code (relating to the compensation of court reporters for district courts) is amended by striking out "$6,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$6,450".

Sec. 4. (a) Each officer and employee in or under the legislative branch of the Government (other than an employee in the office of a Senator) whose rate of compensation is increased by section 5 of the Federal Employees Pay Act of 1946 shall be paid additional compensation at the rate of 7.5 per centum of the aggregate rate of his rate of basic compensation and the rate of the additional compensation received by him under sections 501 and 502 of the Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945, as amended, section 301 of the Postal Rate Revision and Federal Employees Salary Act of 1948, the provisions under the heading "Increased pay for legislative employees" in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1950, the Act of October 24, 1951 (Public Law 201, Eighty-second Congress), and any other provision of law.

(b) Section 2 (b) of the Act of October 24, 1951 (Public Law 201, Eighty-second Congress), is amended by striking out "$11,646 per annum unless expressly authorized by law" and inserting in lieu thereof "the highest per annum rate of compensation paid under authority of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, unless expressly authorized by law".

(c) The rates of basic compensation of each of the elected officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives (not including the presiding officers of the two Houses), the Parliamentarian of the Senate, the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives, the Legislative Counsel of the Senate, the Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives, and the Coordinator of Information of the House of Representatives are hereby increased by 7.5 per centum.

(d) (1) The aggregate amount of the basic compensation authorized to be paid for administrative and clerical assistance and messenger service in the offices of Senators is hereby increased by—

(A) $10,020 in the case of Senators from States the population of which is less than three million;

(B) $10,920 in the case of Senators from States the population of which is three million or more but less than five million;

(C) $11,760 in the case of Senators from States the population of which is five million or more but less than ten million; and

(D) $11,880 in the case of Senators from States the population of which is ten million or more.

(2) Notwithstanding the second proviso in the paragraph relating to the authority of Senators to rearrange the basic salaries of employees in their respective offices, which appears in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1947, as amended (2 U. S. C. 60f), but subject to the limitations contained in paragraph (3) of this subsection, during the period beginning on the effective date of this subsection and ending on the last day of the first pay period which begins after the date of enactment of this Act (A) the compensation of the administrative assistant in the office of each Senator may be fixed at a basic rate which together with additional compensation authorized by law will not exceed the maximum rate authorized by section 2 (b) of the Act of October 24, 1951 (Public Law 201, Eighty-second Congress), as amended, (B) the compensation of one employee other than the administrative assistant in the office of each Senator may be fixed at a basic rate not to exceed $10,260 per annum, and (C) the compensation of any other employee in the office of a Senator may be fixed at a basic rate not to exceed $6,420 per annum.

(3) Notwithstanding the third proviso in such paragraph, any increase in the compensation of an employee in a Senator's office shall
take effect on the effective date of this subsection or on the date such employee became employed, whichever is later, if (A) the certification filed by such Senator under such proviso so provides, (B) such certification is filed in the disbursing office of the Senate not later than fifteen days following the date of enactment of this Act, and (C) the amount of such increase does not exceed the amount of the increase which would be payable in the case of such employee if he were subject to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section plus any additional amount which may result from fixing the rate of basic compensation at the lowest multiple of $60 which will result in an increase not less than the amount of such increase which would be payable under subsection (a).

(e) (1) The provisions under the heading “INCREASED PAY FOR LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES” in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1950, section 2 (a) of the Act of October 24, 1951 (Public Law 201, Eighty-second Congress), and section 4 (a) of this Act are hereby amended by striking out “(other than an employee in the office of a Senator)”.

(2) The basic compensation of each employee in the office of a Senator on the effective date of this subsection is hereby adjusted to the lowest multiple of $60 which will provide basic compensation, plus additional compensation payable under subsection (a) and the provisions of law referred to in subsection (a), not less than the amount of basic compensation, plus additional compensation under the provisions of sections 501 and 502 of the Federal Employees' Pay Act of 1945, as amended, and section 301 of the Postal Rate Revision and Federal Employees' Salary Act of 1948, which he is receiving on the effective date of this subsection.

(3) The second proviso in the paragraph relating to the authority of Senators to rearrange the basic salaries of employees in their respective offices which appears in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1947, as amended (2 U. S. C. 60f), is amended to read as follows: “Provided, That no salary shall be fixed under this section at a basic rate of more than $8,500 per annum, except that the salary of one employee, other than the administrative assistant, in the office of each Senator may be fixed at a basic rate of not more than $8,460 per annum and the salary of the administrative assistant to each Senator may be fixed at a basic rate which together with additional compensation authorized by law will not exceed the maximum rate authorized by section 2 (b) of the Act of October 24, 1951 (Public Law 201, Eighty-second Congress), as amended”.

(f) The aggregate amount of the basic compensation authorized to be paid for administrative and clerical assistance and messenger service in the office of each Senator shall be the amount authorized under provisions of law in effect immediately prior to the enactment of this Act for Senators from States the population of which is less than three million increased as follows:

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(g) (1) The provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply to employees whose compensation is paid from the appropriation contained
in the paragraph designated "Folding documents" under the heading "CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE" in the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1955, or in any subsequent appropriation Act, but the limitations contained in such paragraph are hereby increased by 7.5 per centum.

(2) The limitations in the paragraph designated "Folding documents" under the heading "CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE HOUSE" in the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1955, or in any subsequent appropriation Act, are hereby increased by 7.5 per centum.

(h) The official reporters of proceedings and debates of the Senate and their employees shall be considered to be officers or employees in or under the legislative branch of the Government within the meaning of subsection (a) and the provisions of law referred to in such subsection.

(i) The additional compensation provided by subsection (a) and the provisions of law referred to in such subsection shall be considered a part of basic compensation for the purposes of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended.

(j) Except as provided in subsection (d) (3) (C) of this section, no officer or employee shall be paid increased or additional compensation under this section for any period prior to July 1, 1955, at a rate in excess of 7.5 per centum of his basic compensation and additional compensation under the Acts referred to in subsection (a), computed without regard to the amendment made by subsection (b).

SEC. 5. Section 66 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 (48 Stat. 269) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 66. No director, officer, or employee of the Central Bank for Cooperatives or of any production credit corporation, production credit association, or bank for cooperatives shall be paid compensation at a rate in excess of $14,620 per annum."

SEC. 6. (a) Each of the minimum rates of salary contained in section 3 (d), the maximum rate of salary contained in the second sentence of such section 3 (d), and each of the maximum and minimum rates of salary contained in section 7, of the Act of January 3, 1946 (Public Law 293, Seventy-ninth Congress), as amended (38 U. S. C., secs. 15b (d) and 15f (a)), are hereby increased by 7.5 per centum.

(b) Each of the rates of salary contained in section 3 (e) and section 3 (f) of such Act of January 3, 1946, as amended (38 U. S. C., secs. 15b (e) and (f)), is hereby increased by 7.5 per centum.

(c) Each of the rates of salary increased by subsections (a) and (b) of this section which is not a multiple of $5 shall be rounded, as so increased, to the next higher $5 per annum.

(d) Section 8 (d) of such Act of January 3, 1946, as amended (38 U. S. C., sec. 15g (d)), is amended by striking out "$12,800" and inserting in lieu thereof "$13,760".

SEC. 7. Each of the rates of basic compensation provided by sections 412 and 415 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, is hereby increased by 7.5 per centum. Each such rate as so increased which is not a multiple of $5 shall be rounded to the next higher $5 per annum.

SEC. 8. (a) Notwithstanding section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C., sec. 665), the rates of compensation of officers and employees of the Federal Government and of the municipal government of the District of Columbia whose rates of compensation are fixed by administrative action pursuant to law and are not otherwise increased by this Act are hereby authorized to be increased, effective on or after the first day of the first pay period which began
after February 28, 1955, by amounts not to exceed the increases provided by this Act for corresponding rates of compensation in the appropriate schedule or scale of pay.

(b) Nothing contained in this section shall be deemed to authorize any increase in the rates of compensation of officers and employees whose rates of compensation are fixed and adjusted from time to time as nearly as is consistent with the public interest in accordance with prevailing rates or practices.

(c) Nothing contained in this section shall affect the authority contained in any law pursuant to which rates of compensation may be fixed by administrative action.

Sec. 9. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, (1) no rate of compensation or salary which is $14,800 or more per annum shall be increased by reason of this Act and (2) no rate of compensation or salary shall be increased by reason of this Act to an amount in excess of $14,800 per annum.

Sec. 10. (a) Retroactive compensation or salary shall be paid by reason of this Act only in the case of an individual in the service of the United States (including service in the Armed Forces of the United States) or the municipal government of the District of Columbia on the date of enactment of this Act, except that such retroactive compensation or salary shall be paid (1) to an officer or employee who retired during the period beginning on the first day of the first pay period which began after February 28, 1955, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act for services rendered during such period and (2) in accordance with the provisions of the Act of August 3, 1950 (Public Law 636, Eighty-first Congress), as amended, for services rendered during the period beginning on the first day of the first pay period which began after February 28, 1955, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act by an officer or employee who dies during such period.

(b) For the purposes of this section, service in the Armed Forces of the United States, in the case of an individual relieved from training and service in the Armed Forces of the United States or discharged from hospitalization following such training and service, shall include the period provided by law for the mandatory restoration of such individual to a position in or under the Federal Government or the municipal government of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 11. Notwithstanding any provision of this Act or of the Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955, no individual subject to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, whose rate of basic salary is increased by reason of section 701 of the Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955, shall be entitled to receive payment of any increase under the provisions of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended by this Act, for any period for which he is entitled to receive an increase in basic salary under section 701 of the Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955.
hundred and twenty-five for grade 17 and one hundred and twenty-five for grade 18. The United States Civil Service Commission shall report annually to the Congress the total number of positions established under this subsection for grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule and the total number of positions so established for each such grade.

"(c) The number of positions of senior specialists in the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress allocated to grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule shall be in addition to the number of positions authorized to be placed in such grades by subsection (b).

"(d) The Comptroller General of the United States is authorized, subject to the procedures prescribed by this section, to place a total of twenty-five positions in the General Accounting Office in grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule. Such positions shall be in addition to the number of positions authorized to be placed in such grades by subsection (b).

"(e) The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, is authorized, without regard to any other provision in this section, to place a total of thirty-seven positions in the Federal Bureau of Investigation in grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule. Such positions shall be in addition to the number of positions authorized to be placed in such grades by subsection (b)."

(b) Positions in grades 16, 17, or 18, as the case may be, of the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, immediately prior to the effective date of this section, shall remain, on and after such effective date, in their respective grades, until other action is taken under the provisions of section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949 as in effect on and after such effective date.

(c) The following parts of laws and parts of reorganization plans are hereby repealed:


2. That part of section 401 (a) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 1254; 50 App. U. S. C., sec. 2253 (a)) which reads as follows: "and subject to the standards and procedures of that Act, to place not more than twenty-two positions in grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule established by that Act, and any such positions shall be additional to the number authorized by section 505 of that Act;";

3. Section 108 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1951 (64 Stat. 1064; Public Law 845, Eighty-first Congress);

4. The fourth paragraph under the heading "General Accounting Office" contained in title I of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1952 (65 Stat. 274; Public Law 137, Eighty-second Congress), as amended by the fourth paragraph under the heading "General Accounting Office" contained in title I of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1953 (66 Stat. 399; Public Law 455, Eighty-second Congress), and by the proviso under the heading "General Accounting Office" contained in title I of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955 (68 Stat. 280; Public Law 428, Eighty-third Congress; 31 U. S. C., sec. 52a), which reads as follows: "The Comptroller General of the United States hereafter is authorized, subject to the procedures prescribed by section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, but without regard to the numerical limitations contained
therein, to place five positions in grade GS-18, two positions in grade GS-17, and twelve positions in grade GS-16 in the General Schedule established by the Classification Act of 1949, and such positions shall be in lieu of any positions in the General Accounting Office previously allocated under section 505. The authority granted herein shall not be construed to require or preclude the reallocation of any positions in the General Accounting Office previously allocated under section 505;.

(5) That part of the paragraph under the heading "Renegotiation Board" and under the subheading "Salaries and Expenses" contained in chapter V of the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952 (65 Stat. 763; Public Law 254, Eighty-second Congress; 50 App. U. S. C., sec. 1217a), which reads as follows: "Provided, That the Board is authorized, subject to the procedures prescribed by section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, to place not more than five positions in grades 16, 17, or 18 of the General Schedule established by said Act, and such positions shall be in addition to the number authorized by said section;"

(6) That part of section 606 of the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1952 (65 Stat. 600; Public Law 188, Eighty-second Congress), which reads as follows: "The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, hereafter is authorized without regard to section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949 to place two positions in grade GS-18, and seven positions in grade GS-17, in the General Schedule established by the Classification Act of 1949, and such positions shall be in lieu of any positions in the Federal Bureau of Investigation previously allocated under section 505;"

(7) That part of the paragraph under the heading "Federal Bureau of Investigation" and under the subheading "Salaries and Expenses" contained in title II (the Department of Justice Appropriation Act, 1953) of the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1953 (66 Stat. 557; Public Law 495, Eighty-second Congress; 5 U. S. C., sec. 300e), which reads as follows: "$ provided further, That the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation hereafter is authorized, without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, to place twenty positions in grade GS-16 in the General Schedule established by the Classification Act of 1949;"

(8) Section 806 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1954 (67 Stat. 429; Public Law 207, Eighty-third Congress);

(9) Section 737 of the Department of Defense Appropriation Act, 1955 (68 Stat. 357; Public Law 458, Eighty-third Congress; 5 U. S. C., sec. 171d-2);

(10) That part of the paragraph under the heading "Bureau of the Budget" contained in title I of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955 (68 Stat. 273; Public Law 428, Eighty-third Congress; 31 U. S. C., sec. 16b), which reads as follows: "$ provided, That the Bureau of the Budget is authorized, without regard to section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, to place two additional positions in grade GS-18 and two additional positions in grade GS-17 of the General Schedule established by said Act;"

(11) That part of the paragraph under the heading "Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation" contained in chapter VIII of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955 (68 Stat. 818; Public Law 663, Eighty-third Congress; 33 U. S. C., sec. 984a), which reads as follows: "$ and the Administrator is authorized, subject to the procedures prescribed by section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, to place not more than four positions in grades 16, 17, or 18 of the General Schedule established by said Act, and such positions shall be in addition to the number authorized by said section;"
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(12) That part of the paragraph under the heading “President’s Advisory Committee on Government Organization” contained in chapter IV of the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1954 (68 Stat. 25; Public Law 304, Eighty-third Congress), which reads as follows: “Provided, That the Committee is authorized, without regard to section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, to place one position in Grade GS-17 of the General Schedule established by said Act”;

(13) That part of section 602 (a) of the Act entitled “An Act to provide for greater stability in agriculture; to augment the marketing and disposal of agricultural products; and for other purposes”, approved August 28, 1954 (68 Stat. 908; Public Law 690, Eighty-third Congress; 7 U. S. C., sec. 1762 (a)), which reads as follows: “and the Secretary of Agriculture may place not to exceed eight positions in grade 16 and two in grade 17 of the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, in accordance with the standards and procedures of that Act and such positions shall be in addition to the number authorized in section 606 of that Act”;

(14) Section 225 of the National Housing Act (68 Stat. 609; 12 U.S.C., sec. 1702a);

(15) The second paragraph of section 606 of the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1952 (66 Stat. 601; Public Law 188, Eighty-second Congress; 5 U. S. C., sec. 152c);

(16) That part of the third proviso of the first paragraph under the heading “General Provisions” contained in chapter XI of the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952 (66 Stat. 121; Public Law 337, Eighty-second Congress; 5 U. S. C., secs. 240a, 255b, 483-1, 592a-2, 611c), which reads as follows: “shall be placed in the highest grade set forth in the general schedule of such Act without regard to section 505 (b) of such Act, as amended, and shall be in addition to the number of positions authorized to be placed in such grade under such section”;

(17) That part of the paragraph under the heading “United States Section, Saint Lawrence River Joint Board of Engineers” contained in chapter IX of the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1954 (68 Stat. 90; Public Law 337, Eighty-third Congress), which reads as follows: “Provided, That, subject to the procedures prescribed by section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, but without regard to the numerical limitations contained therein, one position under the United States section of said Joint Board of Engineers may hereafter be placed in grade GS-16 in the General Schedule established by that Act”;

(18) That part of the paragraph under the heading “Smithsonian Institution” contained in title II of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1956 (Public Law 78, Eighty-fourth Congress), which reads as follows: “Provided, That the Smithsonian Institution is authorized without regard to section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, to place two positions in GS-18, two positions in GS-17, and one additional position in GS-16 of the General Schedule established by said Act”;

(19) That part of section 3 of Reorganization Plan Numbered 1 of 1952, effective March 15, 1952 (66 Stat. 829; 5 U. S. C., sec. 1352-15 note), which reads as follows: “except that the compensation may be fixed without regard to the numerical limitations on positions set forth in section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended (5 U. S. C. 1105)”; and

(20) That part of section 4 (a) of Reorganization Plan Numbered 5 of 1952, effective July 1, 1952 (66 Stat. 826), which reads as follows:
"(21) That part of section 1 (d) of Reorganization Plan Numbered 8 of 1953, effective August 1, 1953 (67 Stat. 642; 5 U. S. C., sec. 1332-15 note), which reads as follows: "except that the compensation may be fixed without regard to the numerical limitations on positions set forth in section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949 (5 U. S. C. 1105)"; and

SEC. 13. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, this Act shall take effect as of the first day of the first pay period which began after February 28, 1955.

(b) This section and sections 8, 10, 11, and 12 shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) Subsections (e) and (f) of section 4 shall take effect on the first day of the second pay period which begins after the date of enactment of this Act.

(d) For the purpose of determining the amount of insurance for which an individual is eligible under the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, all changes in rates of compensation or salary which result from the enactment of this Act shall be held and considered to be effective as of the first day of the first pay period which begins on or after the date of such enactment.

Approved June 28, 1955.
When any person is convicted of a violation of this Act, the court in its judgment of conviction may, in addition to the penalty prescribed, order the confiscation and disposal of such items described herein which were found in the possession or under the immediate control of such person at the time of his arrest.

Sec. 4. The analysis of chapter 71 of title 18 of the United States Code is amended by inserting, immediately after and underneath item 1464, as contained in such analysis, the following new item:

"1465. Transportation of obscene matters for sale or distribution."

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 96

JOINT RESOLUTION

Directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of developing basic information which will aid the Congress in formulating an improved program for the production and marketing of burley tobacco, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed (a) to make a study of the various methods of marketing control which have been or could be made applicable to burley tobacco, including farm marketing quotas, poundage limitations, acreage limitations, and a combination of both poundage and acreage limitations, and (b) to submit to the Congress on or before November 1, 1955, a detailed report thereon showing among other things the probable costs, effects, and feasibility of each type of operation studied and what legislation, if any, would be needed to put it into effect. The Secretary may conduct such hearings and receive such statements and briefs as are necessary to carry out the purpose of this joint resolution.

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 97

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma, to negotiate and enter into a compact relating to their interests in and the apportionment of the waters of the Arkansas River and its tributaries as they affect such States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma to negotiate and enter into a compact relating to the interests of such States in the development and protection from pollution of the water resources of the Arkansas River and its tributaries, and providing for an equitable apportionment among them of the waters of the Arkansas River and its tributaries flowing between such States, and for matters incident thereto, upon the condition that one qualified person appointed by the President of the United States shall participate in such negotiations as chairman, representing the United States, and shall make a report to the President of the United States and the Congress of the proceedings and of any compact entered into. Such compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon any of the parties thereto until it shall have been ratified by the legislatures of each of the respective States, and approved by the Congress of the United States.
Sec. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sufficient sum to pay the salaries and expenses of the representative of the United States appointed hereunder: Provided, That such representative, if otherwise employed by the United States while so employed, shall not receive additional salary in the appointment hereunder.

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 98

AN ACT

Authorizing E. B. Reyna, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Rio Grande, at or near Los Ebanos, Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to facilitate international commerce, improve the postal service, and other purposes, E. B. Reyna, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge and approaches thereto across the Rio Grande, so far as the United States has jurisdiction over the waters of such river, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Los Ebanos, Texas, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act, and subject further to the approval of the International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, and also subject to the approval of the proper authorities in the Republic of Mexico to the construction, operation, and maintenance of such bridge.

Sec. 2. There is hereby conferred upon E. B. Reyna, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, all such rights and powers to enter upon lands and to acquire, occupy, possess, and use real estate and other property in the State of Texas needed for the location, construction, operation, and maintenance of such bridge and its approaches, as are possessed by bridge corporations for bridge purposes, upon making just compensation therefor to be ascertained and paid according to the laws of such State of Texas.

Sec. 3. The said E. B. Reyna, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, is hereby authorized to fix and charge tolls for transit over such bridge in accordance with any laws of the State of Texas or the United States applicable thereto, and the rates of toll so fixed shall be the legal rates until changed under the authority contained in the Act of March 23, 1906.

Sec. 4. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Act to any public agency, or to an international bridge authority or commission, is hereby granted to E. B. Reyna, his heirs, or legal representatives; and any such public agency, international bridge authority, or international bridge commission to which such rights, powers, and privileges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or which shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such public agency, international bridge authority, or international bridge commission.

Sec. 5. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved June 28, 1955.
AN ACT

To amend section 5 of the Flood Control Act of August 18, 1941, as amended, pertaining to emergency flood control work.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Flood Control Act of August 18, 1941, as amended by section 210 of the Flood Control Act of 1950, is hereby further amended to read as follows: "That there is hereby authorized an emergency fund in the amount of $15,000,000 to be expended in flood emergency preparation; in flood fighting and rescue operations, or in the repair or restoration of any flood-control work threatened or destroyed by flood, including the strengthening, raising, extending, or other modification thereof as may be necessary in the discretion of the Chief of Engineers for the adequate functioning of the work for flood control. The appropriation of such moneys for the initial establishment of this fund and for its replenishment on an annual basis, is hereby authorized: Provided, That pending the appropriation of said sum, the Secretary of the Army may allot, from existing flood-control appropriations, such sums as may be necessary for the immediate prosecution of the work herein authorized, such appropriations to be reimbursed from the appropriation herein authorized when made. The Chief of Engineers is authorized, in the prosecution of work in connection with rescue operations, or in conducting other flood emergency work, to acquire on a rental basis such motor vehicles, including passenger cars and buses, as in his discretion are deemed necessary."

Approved June 28, 1955.

AN ACT

Authorizing Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Rio Grande, at or near Rio Grande City, Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to facilitate international commerce, improve the postal service, and other purposes, Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge and approaches thereto across the Rio Grande, so far as the United States has jurisdiction over the waters of such river, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Rio Grande City, Texas, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act, and subject further to the approval of the International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, and also subject to the approval of the proper authorities in the Republic of Mexico to the construction, operation, and maintenance of such bridge.

Sec. 2. There is hereby conferred upon Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, all such rights and powers to enter upon lands and to acquire, occupy, possess, and use real estate and other property in the State of Texas needed for the location, construction, operation, and maintenance of such bridge and its approaches, as
are possessed by bridge corporations for bridge purposes, upon making
just compensation therefor to be ascertained and paid according to the
laws of such State of Texas.

Sec. 3. The said Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, legal representatives, and
assigns, is hereby authorized to fix and charge tolls for transit over
such bridge in accordance with any laws of the State of Texas or the
United States applicable thereto, and the rates of toll so fixed shall be
the legal rates until changed under the authority contained in the Act
of March 23, 1906.

Sec. 4. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the
rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Act to any public
agency, or to an international bridge authority or commission, is
hereby granted to Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, or legal representatives;
and any such public agency, international bridge authority, or inter-
national bridge commission to which such rights, powers, and privi-
leges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or which shall acquire the
same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and
empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein
directly upon such public agency, international bridge authority, or
international bridge commission.

Sec. 5. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby
expressly reserved.

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 101

AN ACT

To repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section
1728 of the Revised Statutes, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 10 of
the Act of April 5, 1906 (34 Stat. 102), as amended (22 U. S. C. 1196),
be repealed; and section 1728 of the Revised Statutes (22 U. S. C.
1194) be amended to read as follows:

"ACCOUNT OF FEES: CERTIFICATION

"Every consular officer responsible for the collection of fees, in
rendering his account of fees received, shall furnish a full transcript
of the register which he is required to keep, and certify that such
transcript is an accurate and complete record of all fees received for
the period shown."

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 102

AN ACT

To repeal a service charge of 10 cents per sheet of one hundred words, for making
out and authenticating copies of records in the Department of State.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 213 of
the Revised Statutes (5 U. S. C. 169) shall be and the same is hereby
repealed.

Approved June 28, 1955.
Public Law 103

AN ACT

To amend section 7 of the Act approved September 22, 1922, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 of the Act approved September 22, 1922 (Public Law Numbered 362, Sixty-seventh Congress), as amended by section 203 of the Act approved May 17, 1950 (Public Law 516, Eighty-first Congress), is amended to read as follows:

"That hereafter the provisions of section 7 of the Act of August 23, 1912, as amended (37 Stat. 414; 54 Stat. 175; 31 U. S. C. 679), or any other law prohibiting the expenditure of public money for telephone services installed in private residences, shall not be construed to apply to or forbid the installation and use of such telephones as may be necessary for the prosecution of Government business in connection with the construction and operation of locks and dams for navigation, flood control, and related water uses, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army on the recommendation of the Chief of Engineers. Not more than $30,000 shall be expended for such telephone services in any one fiscal year."

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 104

AN ACT

To authorize certain officers and employees of the Department of State and the Foreign Service to carry firearms.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, under such regulations as the Secretary of State may prescribe, security officers of the Department of State and the Foreign Service who have been designated by the Secretary of State and who have qualified for the use of firearms, are authorized to carry firearms for the purpose of protecting heads of foreign states, high officials of foreign governments and other distinguished visitors to the United States, the Secretary of State, and the Under Secretary of State, and official representatives of foreign governments and of the United States attending international conferences, or performing special missions.

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 105

AN ACT

To amend the Canal Zone Code by the addition of provisions authorizing regulation of the sale and use of fireworks in the Canal Zone.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title 2 of the Canal Zone Code, approved June 19, 1934 (48 Stat. 1152), is amended by adding a new chapter, number 26, embracing sections 521 and 522, and reading as follows:
"CHAPTER 26—REGULATION OF SALE AND USE OF FIREWORKS

"Sec. 521. Regulations authorized.
"522. Punishment for violations.

§ 521. Regulations authorized

"The Governor of the Canal Zone is authorized to prescribe, and from time to time alter and amend, regulations prohibiting, limiting, or otherwise regulating the sale and use of any fireworks within the Canal Zone, or any portions thereof, as he may deem necessary to public safety.

§ 522. Punishment for violations

"Any person who shall violate any regulation prescribed under authority of the next preceding section shall be punishable by a fine of not more than $100 or by thirty days imprisonment in jail, or by both."

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 106

CHAPTER 201

AN ACT

To authorize the construction of a building for a Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution, including the preparation of plans and specifications, and all other work incidental thereto.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution are hereby authorized and directed to have prepared drawings and specifications for, and to construct, a suitable building for a Museum of History and Technology (with requisite equipment, approaches, architectural landscape treatment of the grounds, and connections with public utilities and the Federal heating system) for the use of the Smithsonian Institution, to be located on that part of reservation 3 which is bounded by Twelfth Street Northwest on the east, Fourteenth Street Northwest on the west, Constitution Avenue on the north, and Madison Drive on the south, title to which is in the United States, at a cost not to exceed $36,000,000.

SEC. 2. That the exact location of the building on the site shall be approved by the National Capital Planning Commission, and the design shall be approved by the Commission of Fine Arts.

SEC. 3. That the preparation of said drawings and specifications, the design and erection of the building, and all work incidental thereto shall be under the supervision of the Administrator of the General Services Administration in accordance with provisions of the Public Buildings Act of May 25, 1926, as amended.

SEC. 4. That there is hereby established a Joint Congressional Committee on Construction of a Building for a Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution. It shall be the duty of the Joint Committee to advise with the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution during the planning and construction of such building. The Joint Committee shall be composed of ten members as follows: Five Senators appointed by the President of the Senate, three of whom shall be the Senate members of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; five Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, three of whom shall be the Representative members of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. The Joint Committee shall from time to time, but at least once annually, submit to the Congress a report on the
progress of the planning and construction of the building. Upon completion of the building, the Joint Committee shall submit a final report.

Sec. 5. That there are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution such sums, not to exceed $36,000,000, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act: Provided, That appropriations for this purpose, except such part as may be necessary for the incidental expenses of the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution in connection with this project, shall be transferred to the General Services Administration for the performance of the work.

Approved June 28, 1955.

Public Law 107

CHAPTER 223

June 29, 1955

JOINT RESOLUTION

Dedicating the Lee Mansion in Arlington National Cemetery as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee.

Whereas the ninth day of April 1955 is the ninetieth anniversary of the Appomattox cessation of hostilities between our States; and

Whereas of the two great figures therein involved, one, General Ulysses S. Grant, has been highly honored by becoming President of the United States, but the other, Robert E. Lee, has never been suitably memorialized by the National Government; and

Whereas Robert E. Lee had graduated from West Point, dedicated himself to an Army career, and became a colonel in the United States Army, then the commander of the Confederate forces, attained world renown as a military genius, and after Appomattox fervently devoted himself to peace, to the reuniting of the Nation, and to the advancement of youth education and the welfare and progress of mankind, becoming president of the Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Virginia; and

Whereas the desire and hope of Robert E. Lee for peace and unity within our Nation has come to pass in the years since his death, and the United States of America now stands united and firm, indivisible, and unshakable; and

Whereas Public Resolution Numbered 74, Sixty-eighth Congress, approved March 4, 1925, provided for the physical restoration of the Lee Mansion but did not dedicate the same as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Congress of the United States, at this anniversary time, does hereby pay honor and tribute to the everlasting memory of Robert E. Lee, whose name will ever be bright in our history as a great military leader, a great educator, a great American, and a truly great man through the simple heritage of his personal traits of high character, his grandeur of soul, his unfailing strength of heart.

Sec. 2. That the Congress of the United States does hereby express its humble gratitude to a kind Providence for blessing our Nation with leaders of true greatness who, like Robert E. Lee, have been able to see beyond their times, and by whose vision, guidance, and wisdom this Nation has gone forward to a place of world leadership as the unaltering and powerful champion of peace, liberty, and justice.

Sec. 3. That the magnificent manor house situated in its prominent position at the brow of a hill overlooking the Potomac River in Arlington National Cemetery, and popularly known as Lee Mansion, be
officially designated as the Custis-Lee Mansion, so as to give appropriate recognition to the illustrious Virginia family in which General Lee found his wife, and that the Custis-Lee Mansion is hereby dedicated as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee, and the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to erect on the aforesaid premises a suitable memorial plaque, and to correct governmental records to bring them into compliance with the designation authorized by this joint resolution.

Approved June 29, 1955.

Public Law 108

CHAPTER 224

AN ACT

To provide for the transmission in the mails of live scorpions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1716 of title 18 of the United States Code is amended by inserting immediately after the second paragraph thereof the following new paragraph:

"The Postmaster General is authorized and directed to permit the transmission in the mails, under regulations to be prescribed by him, of live scorpions which are to be used for purposes of medical research or for the manufacture of antivenin. Such regulations shall include such provisions with respect to the packaging of such live scorpions for transmission in the mails as the Postmaster General deems necessary or advisable for the protection of Post Office Department personnel and of the public generally and for ease of handling by such personnel and by any individual connected with such research or manufacture. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize the transmission in the mails of live scorpions by means of aircraft engaged in the carriage of passengers for compensation or hire."

Approved June 29, 1955.

Public Law 109

CHAPTER 225

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the erection of a memorial gift from the Government of Venezuela.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept, on behalf of the Government of the United States, a statue of the liberator, Simon Bolivar, to be erected on public grounds under the administration of the Secretary of the Interior, as a gift to the Government of the United States from the Government of Venezuela as a token of friendship.

Sec. 2. The design and site of such statue shall be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, the National Capital Planning Commission, and the Commission of Fine Arts, and the United States shall be put to no expense in or by the erection of this statue.

Sec. 3. (a) The authority conferred pursuant to this joint resolution shall lapse unless the erection of such statue is commenced within five years after the date of the passage of this joint resolution.

(b) All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

Approved June 29, 1955.
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Public Law 110

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

TITLE I

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

COMPENSATION OF THE PRESIDENT

For compensation of the President, including an expense allowance at the rate of $50,000 per annum, as authorized by the Act of January 19, 1949 (3 U. S. C. 102), $150,000.

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for The White House Office, including not to exceed $215,000 for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at such per diem rates for individuals as the President may specify, and other personal services without regard to the provisions of law regulating the employment and compensation of persons in the Government service; newspapers, periodicals, teletype news service, and travel and official entertainment expenses of the President, to be accounted for solely on his certificate; $1,882,500.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

For expenses necessary to provide staff assistance for the President in connection with special projects, to be expended in his discretion and without regard to such provisions of law regarding the expenditure of Government funds or the compensation and employment of persons in the Government service as he may specify, $1,250,000: Provided, That not to exceed 10 percent of this appropriation may be used to reimburse the appropriation for “Salaries and expenses”, The White House Office, for administrative services.

EXECUTIVE MANSION AND GROUNDS

For the care, maintenance, repair and alteration, refurnishing, improvement, heating and lighting, including electric power and fixtures, of the Executive Mansion and the Executive Mansion grounds and traveling expenses, to be expended as the President may determine, notwithstanding the provisions of this or any other Act, $366,200.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Bureau of the Budget, including newspapers and periodicals (not exceeding $200); teletype news service (not exceeding $900); not to exceed $70,000 for expenses of travel; and not to exceed $20,000 for services...
as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; $3,349,000.

COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Council in carrying out its functions under the Employment Act of 1946 (15 U. S. C. 1021), including newspapers and periodicals (not exceeding $400); not exceeding $15,000 for expenses of travel; and press clippings (not exceeding $300); $325,000.

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the National Security Council, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not in excess of $50 per diem for individuals; acceptance and utilization of voluntary and uncompensated services; purchase of one station wagon for replacement only; and expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with work related to the activity of the Council; $240,000.

OFFICE OF DEFENSE MOBILIZATION

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Office of Defense Mobilization, including newspapers and periodicals (not exceeding $500); hire of passenger motor vehicles; reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard service; and expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; $2,125,000, of which $161,000 shall be available for the Interdepartmental Radio Advisory Committee: Provided, That contracts for not to exceed eight persons under this appropriation for temporary or intermittent services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), may be renewed annually.

PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

For necessary expenses of the President's Advisory Committee on Government Organization, established by Executive Order 10432 of January 24, 1953, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of the Committee; and actual transportation expenses and an allowance of not to exceed $15 per diem in lieu of subsistence while away from their homes or regular places of business, for members of the Committee and other persons serving without compensation; $60,000.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

EMERGENCY FUND FOR THE PRESIDENT, NATIONAL DEFENSE

For expenses necessary to enable the President, through such officers or agencies of the Government as he may designate, and without regard to such provisions of law regarding the expenditure of Government funds or the compensation and employment of persons in the Government service as he may specify, to provide in his discretion for emergencies affecting the national interest, security, or defense which may arise at home or abroad during the current fiscal year, $1,000,000: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be available for

Restriction.
allocation to finance a function or project for which function or project a budget estimate of appropriation was transmitted pursuant to law during the Eighty-fourth Congress, and such appropriation denied after consideration thereof by the Senate or House of Representatives or by the Committee on Appropriations of either body.

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses, as authorized by the Act of June 26, 1946 (36 U. S. C. 121, 123-132, 138), including the acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign countries; purchase and repair of uniforms for caretakers of national cemeteries and monuments outside of the United States and its Territories and possessions at a cost not exceeding $500; not to exceed $61,000 for expenses of travel; rent of office and garage space in foreign countries; and insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries when required by law of such countries; $920,000: Provided, That where station allowance has been authorized by the Department of the Army for officers of the Army serving the Army at certain foreign stations, the same allowance shall be authorized for officers of the Armed Forces assigned to the Commission while serving at the same foreign stations, and this appropriation is hereby made available for the payment of such allowance: Provided further, That when traveling on business of the Commission, officers of the Armed Forces serving as members or as secretary of the Commission may be reimbursed for expenses as provided for civilian members of the Commission: Provided further, That the Commission shall reimburse other Government agencies, including the Armed Forces, for salary, pay, and allowances of personnel assigned to it.

Construction of memorials and cemeteries: For expenses necessary for the permanent design and construction of memorials and cemeteries in foreign countries as authorized by the Act of June 26, 1946 (36 U. S. C. 121, 123-132, 138b), and the Act of August 5, 1947 (50 U. S. C. App. 1819), including purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only, and not to exceed $32,500 for expenses of travel, $8,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Commission shall reimburse other Government agencies, including the Armed Forces, for salary, pay, and allowances of personnel assigned to it.

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION

PAYMENT OF KOREAN CLAIMS

For payment of Korean claims, as authorized by the War Claims Act of 1948, as amended by Public Law 615, approved August 21, 1954, $12,200,000.

PAYMENT OF WORLD WAR II CLAIMS

For payment of claims, as authorized by the War Claims Act of 1948, as amended, from funds deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the war claims fund created by section 13 (a) of said Act, such sums as may be necessary, to be available to the Secretary of the Treasury for payment of claims under sections 4 (a), 4 (b) (2), 5 (a) through (d), 6 (a) through (d), 7, 13, 16, and 17 of said Act to the payees named and in the amounts stated in certifications by the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission and the Secretary of Labor or their duly authorized representatives, which certifications shall be in lieu of any vouchers which might otherwise be required: Provided, That
this appropriation shall not be available for administrative expenses:

**Provided further,** That unless otherwise authorized by law no claims shall be allowed or paid under the provisions of said War Claims Act of 1948 from any funds other than those covered into the Treasury pursuant to the provisions of section 39 of the Trading With the Enemy Act of October 6, 1917, as amended, as provided by section 13 (a) of said War Claims Act of 1948.

**ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

For expenses necessary to carry on the activities of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a) at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; not to exceed $5,000 for expenses of travel; and advances or reimbursements to other Government agencies for use of their facilities and services in carrying out the functions of the Commission; $500,000, of which $325,000 shall be derived only from the war claims fund created by section 13 (a) of the War Claims Act of 1948 (Public Law 896, approved July 3, 1948) and not to be available for obligation after June 30, 1956, and $175,000 shall be derived from the appropriation for the current fiscal year for "Payment of Korean Claims".

**SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES CONTROL BOARD**

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Subversive Activities Control Board, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), not to exceed $12,500 for expenses of travel, and not to exceed $500 for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals, $298,600.

**TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND CORPORATIONS**

**SEC. 201.** Unless otherwise specifically provided, the maximum amount allowable during the current fiscal year, in accordance with section 16 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 78), for the purchase of any passenger motor vehicle (exclusive of buses, ambulances and station wagons), is hereby fixed at $1,350.

**SEC. 202.** Unless otherwise specified and during the current fiscal year, no part of any appropriation contained in this or any other Act shall be used to pay the compensation of any officer or employee of the Government of the United States (including any agency the majority of the stock of which is owned by the Government of the United States) whose post of duty is in continental United States unless such person (1) is a citizen of the United States, (2) is a person in the service of the United States on the date of enactment of this Act who, being eligible for citizenship, had filed a declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States prior to such date, (3) is a person who owes allegiance to the United States, or (4) is an alien from the Baltic countries lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence: **Provided,** That for the purpose of this section, an affidavit signed by any such person shall be considered prima facie evidence that the requirements of this section with respect to his status have been complied with: **Provided further,** That any person making a false affidavit shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $4,000 or imprisoned for not more than one
year, or both: Provided further, That the above penal clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law: Provided further, That any payment made to any officer or employee contrary to the provisions of this section shall be recoverable in action by the Federal Government. This section shall not apply to citizens of the Republic of the Philippines or to nationals of those countries allied with the United States in the current defense effort, or to temporary employment of translators, or to temporary employment in the field service (not to exceed sixty days) as a result of emergencies.

Sec. 208. During the current fiscal year, the provisions of Bureau of the Budget Circular A-45, dated June 3, 1952, shall be controlling over the activities of all departments, agencies, and corporations of the Government: Provided, That said circular may be amended or
changed during such year by the Director of the Budget with the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives; Provided further, That the Bureau of the Budget shall make a report to Congress not later than January 31, 1956, of the operations of this order upon all departments, agencies, and corporations of the Government; Provided further, That, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, no officer or employee shall be required to occupy any Government-owned quarters unless the head of the agency concerned shall determine that necessary service cannot be rendered or property of the United States cannot be adequately protected otherwise.

Sec. 209. Pursuant to section 1415 of the Act of July 15, 1952 (66 Stat. 662), foreign credits (including currencies) owed to or owned by the United States may be used by Federal agencies for any purpose for which appropriations are made for the current fiscal year (including the carrying out of Acts requiring or authorizing the use of such credits) and for liquidation of obligations legally incurred against such credits prior to July 1, 1953, only when reimbursement therefor is made to the Treasury from applicable appropriations of the agency concerned; Provided, That such credits received as exchange allowances or proceeds of sales of personal property may be used in whole or part payment for acquisition of similar items, to the extent and in the manner authorized by law, without reimbursement to the Treasury; Provided further, That nothing in section 1415 of the Act of July 15, 1952, or in this section shall be construed to prevent the making of new or the carrying out of existing contracts, agreements, or executive agreements for periods in excess of one year, in any case where such contracts, agreements, or executive agreements for periods in excess of one year were permitted prior to the enactment of this Act under section 32 (b) (2) of the Surplus Property Act of 1944, as amended (50 U. S. C. App. 1641 (b) (2)), and the performance of all such contracts, agreements, or executive agreements shall be subject to the availability of appropriations for the purchase of credits as provided by law.

Sec. 210. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence; Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence; Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and

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Foreign credits. 31 USC 724.

Strikes or overthrow of Government.

Affidavit.

Penalty.
accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Sect. 211. This Act may be cited as the "General Government Matters Appropriation Act, 1956".

Approved June 29, 1955.

Short title.

SEC. 211. This Act may be cited as the "General Government Matters Appropriation Act, 1956".

Approved June 29, 1955.

Public Law 111

AN ACT

To amend the Act of July 3, 1952, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of July 3, 1952 (66 Stat. 328; 42 U. S. C., secs. 1951ff.), is hereby amended as follows:

(1) By modifying subsection (a) of section 2 of said Act so as to read: "by means of research grants and contracts as set forth in subsection (d) of this section and by use of the facilities of existing Federal scientific laboratories within the monetary limits set forth in section 8 of this Act, to conduct research and technical development work, to make careful engineering studies to ascertain the lowest investment and operating costs, and to determine the best plant designs and conditions of operation".

(2) By modifying section 3 of said Act to add the following: "Similarly, the fullest cooperation by and with the Atomic Energy Commission and the Civil Defense Administration in research shall be carried out in the interest of achieving the objectives of the program."

(3) By modifying section 8 of said Act so as to read: "There are authorized to be appropriated such sums, but not more than $10,000,000 in all, as may be required (a) to carry out the provisions of this Act during the fiscal years 1953 to 1963, inclusive, (b) to finance for not more than two years beyond the end of said period such grants, contracts, cooperative agreements, and studies as may theretofore have been undertaken pursuant to this Act, and (c) during the same additional period plus one more year, to correlate, coordinate, and round out the results of studies and research undertaken pursuant to this Act. Departmental expenses for direction of the program authorized by this Act and for the correlation and coordination of information as provided in subsection (d) of its section 2 shall not exceed $2,000,000, and not more than $2,500,000 shall be expended for research and development in Federal laboratories. Both of said sums shall be scheduled for expenditure in equal annual amounts insofar as is practicable: Provided, That not to exceed 10 per centum of the funds available in any one year for research and development may be expended in cooperation with public or private agencies in foreign countries in the development of processes useful to the program in the United States: And provided further, That contracts or agreements made in pursuance of this proviso shall provide that the results or information developed in connection therewith shall be available without cost to the program in the United States herein authorized."

Approved June 29, 1955.
AN ACT

Making appropriations for sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

TITLE I—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

ALEXANDER HAMILTON BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

For an additional amount for "Alexander Hamilton Bicentennial Commission", $15,000: Provided, That said appropriation shall be immediately available and remain available until expended.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses, including not to exceed $29,000 for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); not to exceed $10,000 for medical examinations performed for veterans by private physicians on a fee basis; travel expenses of examiners acting under the direction of the Commission, and expenses of examinations and investigations held in Washington and elsewhere; not to exceed $100 for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals (excluding scientific, technical, trade or traffic periodicals, for official use); payment in advance for library membership in societies whose publications are available to members only or to members at a price lower than to the general public; not to exceed $65,000 for performing the duties imposed upon the Commission by the Act of July 19, 1940 (54 Stat. 767); reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services for protection of confidential files; not to exceed $443,000 for expenses of travel; and not to exceed $5,000 for actuarial services by contract, without regard to section 3709, Revised Statutes, as amended; $16,217,500: Provided, That no details from any executive department or independent establishment in the District of Columbia or elsewhere to the Commission's central office in Washington or to any of its regional offices shall be made during the current fiscal year, but this shall not affect the making of details for service as members of the boards of examiners outside the immediate offices of the Commission in Washington or of the regional directors, nor shall it affect the making of details of persons qualified to serve as expert examiners on special subjects: Provided further, That the Civil Service Commission shall have power in case of emergency to transfer or detail any of its employees to or from its office or field force.

No part of the appropriations herein made to the Civil Service Commission shall be available for the salaries and expenses of the Legal Examining Unit in the Examining and Personnel Utilization Division of the Commission, established pursuant to Executive Order 9358 of July 1, 1943, or for the compensation or expenses of any member of a board of examiners (1) who has not made affidavit that he has not appeared in any agency proceeding within the preceding two years, and will not thereafter while a board member appear in
any agency proceeding, as a party, or in behalf of a party to the pro-
ceeding, before an agency in which an applicant is employed who has
been rated or will be rated by such member; or (2) who, after
making such affidavit, has rated an applicant who, at the time of the
rating is employed by an agency before which the board member has
appeared as a party, or in behalf of a party, within the preceding
two years: Provided, That the definitions of “agency”, “agency pro-
ceeding”, and “party” in section 2 of the Administrative Procedure
Act shall apply to these terms as used herein.

No part of appropriations herein shall be used to pay the compen-
sation of officers and employees of the Civil Service Commission who
allocate or reallocate supervisory positions in the classified civil serv-
ice solely on the size of the group, section, bureau, or other organiza-
tion unit, or on the number of subordinates supervised. References
to size of the group, section, bureau, or other organization unit or
the number of subordinates supervised may be given effect only to
the extent warranted by the workload of such organization unit and
then only in combination with other factors, such as the kind, diffi-
culty, and complexity of work supervised, the degree and scope of
responsibility delegated to the supervisor, and the kind, degree, and
value of the supervision actually exercised.

Investigations of United States citizens for employment by inter-
national organizations: For expenses necessary to carry out the pro-
visions of Executive Order No. 10422 of January 9, 1953, as amended,
prescribing procedures for making available to the Secretary General
of the United Nations, and the executive heads of other international
organizations, certain information concerning United States citizens
employed, or being considered for employment by such organizations,
the unobligated balance of the appropriation granted under this head
in the “Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955”, shall remain
available until June 30, 1956: Provided, That this appropriation shall
be available for advances or reimbursements to the applicable appro-
priations or funds of the Civil Service Commission and the Federal
Bureau of Investigation for expenses incurred by such agencies under
said Executive order: Provided further, That members of the Inter-
national Organizations Employees Loyalty Board may be paid actual
transportation expenses, and per diem in lieu of subsistence author-
ized by the Travel Expense Act of 1949 while traveling on official
business away from their homes or regular places of business, includ-
ing periods while en route to and from and at the place where their
services are to be performed: Provided further, That nothing in
sections 281 or 283 of title 18, United States Code, or in section 190
of the Revised Statutes (5 U. S. C. 99) shall be deemed to apply
to any person because of appointment for part-time or intermittent
service as a member of the International Organizations Employees
Loyalty Board in the Civil Service Commission as established by
Executive Order 10422, dated January 9, 1953, as amended.

Annuities, Panama Canal construction employees and Lighthouse
Service widows: For payment of annuities authorized by the Act of
May 29, 1944, as amended (48 U. S. C. 1373a), and the Act of August
19, 1950 (64 Stat. 465), $2,170,000.

Payment to civil-service retirement and disability fund: For financing
the liability of the United States, created by the Act approved
May 22, 1920, and Acts amendatory thereof (5 U. S. C., ch. 14),
$238,000,000, which amount shall be placed to the credit of the “civil-
service retirement and disability fund”.

Annuities.
Not to exceed $80,000 of the funds in the “Employees’ Life Insurance Fund” shall be available for reimbursement to the Civil Service Commission for administrative expenses incurred by the Commission during the current fiscal year in the administration of the Federal Employees’ Group Life Insurance Act.

FEDERAL CIVIL DEFENSE ADMINISTRATION

Operations: For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, in carrying out the provisions of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended (50 U. S. C., App. 2251-2297), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); reimbursement of the Civil Service Commission for full field investigations of employees occupying positions of critical importance from the standpoint of national security; expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with civil defense functions; reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services; not to exceed $5,000 for the purchase of newspapers, periodicals, and teletype news services; and not to exceed $6,000 for emergency and extraordinary expenses to be expended under the direction of the Administrator for such purposes as he deems proper, and his determination thereon shall be final and conclusive; $11,300,000.

Federal contributions: For financial contributions to the States, not otherwise provided for, pursuant to subsection (i) of section 201 of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, to be equally matched with State funds, $12,400,000, to remain available until June 30, 1957.

Emergency supplies and equipment: For procurement of reserve stocks of emergency civil defense materials as authorized by subsection (h) of section 201 of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, and for procurement of radiological instruments and detection devices by the Federal Civil Defense Administrator and for distribution of such instruments and devices to the several States, the District of Columbia, and the Territories and possessions of the United States, by loan or grant, for training and educational purposes, under such terms and conditions as the Administrator shall prescribe, $32,650,000.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

DISASTER RELIEF

For expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act of September 30, 1950 (Public Law 875), as amended, authorizing assistance to States and local governments in major disasters, $8,500,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That not exceeding 2 per centum of the foregoing amount shall be available for administrative expenses.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses in performing the duties of the Commission as authorized by law, including newspapers (not to exceed $175), land and structures (not to exceed $11,500), special counsel fees, improvement and care of grounds and repairs to buildings (not to exceed $16,000), services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), purchase of not to exceed four passenger motor vehicles, for replacement only, in the event adequate vehicles cannot be obtained by transfer from other
departments or agencies, and not to exceed $65,000 for expenses of travel, $6,870,000, of which $80,000 shall be available for such expenses as are necessary to make a study of radio and television network broadcasting.

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the work of the Commission, as authorized by law, including not to exceed $250,000 for expenses of travel; purchase (one for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; and not to exceed $500 for newspapers; $4,650,000, of which not to exceed $10,000 shall be available for special counsel and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates not exceeding $50 per diem for individuals: Provided, That of this appropriation not to exceed $600,000 shall be available for surveys and studies (including publications and maps) relating to the electric power industry and for furnishing assistance and information relating to regulation and surveys thereof; not to exceed $100,000 shall be available for surveys and studies (including publications and maps) relating to the natural gas industry and for furnishing assistance and information relating to regulation and surveys thereof; and not to exceed $200,000 shall be available for investigations relating to Federal river development projects.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Federal Trade Commission, including not to exceed $500 for newspapers, services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), and not to exceed $150,000 for expenses of travel, $4,262,500: Provided, That no part of the foregoing appropriation shall be expended upon any investigation hereafter provided by concurrent resolution of the Congress until funds are appropriated subsequently to the enactment of such resolution to finance the cost of such investigation: Provided further, That no part of the foregoing appropriation shall be available for a statistical analysis of the consumer’s dollar.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the General Accounting Office, including newspapers and periodicals (not exceeding $500), and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $31,981,000.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Operating expenses, Public Buildings Service: For necessary expenses of real property management and related activities as provided by law; repair and improvement of public buildings and grounds in the District of Columbia and area adjacent thereto, under the control of the General Services Administration; repair and improvement of buildings operated by the Treasury and Post Office Departments in the District of Columbia; furnishings and equipment; rental of buildings in the District of Columbia; restoration of leased premises; moving Government agencies (including space adjustments) in connection with the assignment, allocation, and transfer of building space; demolition of buildings; acquisition by purchase or otherwise and disposal by sale or otherwise of real estate and interests therein; and not to exceed $163,500 for expenses of travel; $97,585,500:
Provided, That of the foregoing amount $7,000,000 shall be available for repair and improvement of buildings in the District of Columbia and area adjacent thereto; Provided further, That the foregoing appropriation shall not be available to effect the moving of Government agencies from the District of Columbia into buildings acquired to accomplish the dispersal of departmental functions of the executive establishment into areas outside of but accessible to the District of Columbia.

Emergency operating expenses: For necessary emergency expenses of the General Services Administration not otherwise provided for, for operation, maintenance, protection, repair, alterations, and improvements of public buildings and grounds (including furnishings and equipment) to the extent that such buildings and grounds are under the control of the General Services Administration for such purposes as are provided for in Public Law 152, Eighty-first Congress, as amended; rental of buildings or parts thereof in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, including repairs, alterations, and improvements necessary for proper use by the Government, without regard to section 322 of the Act of June 30, 1932, as amended (40 U. S. C. 278a); restoration of leased premises; moving Government agencies in connection with the assignment, allocation, and transfer of building space; and not to exceed $13,400 for expenses of travel; $11,600,000:

Provided, That of this amount, such sums as may be determined by the General Services Administrator to be necessary may be paid into other appropriations of the General Services Administration only for purposes of accounting; Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be available to effect the moving of Government agencies from the District of Columbia to accomplish the dispersal of departmental functions.

Repair, improvement, and equipment of federally owned buildings outside the District of Columbia: For expenses necessary for the repair, alteration, preservation, renovation, improvement, equipment, and demolition of federally owned buildings outside the District of Columbia, not otherwise provided for, including grounds, approaches and appurtenances, wharves and piers, together with the necessary dredging adjacent thereto; acquisition of land as authorized by title III of the Act of June 16, 1949 (40 U. S. C. 297); not to exceed $145,000 for expenses of travel; and care and safeguarding of sites acquired for Federal buildings; $25,000,000, to remain available until expended.

Operating expenses, Federal Supply Service: For necessary expenses of personal property management and related activities as provided by law; including not to exceed $300 for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals; and not to exceed $58,750 for expenses of travel; $3,005,000: Provided, That no functions budgeted under this appropriation shall be transferred to or financed from any other appropriation or fund.

Expenses, general supply fund: For expenses necessary for operation of the general supply fund (except those authorized by law to be charged to said fund), including contractual services incident to receiving, handling, and shipping warehouse items; not to exceed $250 for purchase of newspapers and periodicals; and not to exceed $85,400 for expenses of travel; $12,000,000: Provided, That funds available to the General Services Administration for the current fiscal year shall be available for the hire of passenger motor vehicles; Provided further, That no functions budgeted under this appropriation shall be transferred to or financed from any other appropriation or fund.
Leased warehouse space temporarily in excess of operating requirements may be subleased to commercial organizations and the proceeds credited to the fund from which rental payments are made during fiscal year 1956.

Operating expenses, National Archives and Records Service: For necessary expenses in connection with Federal records management and related activities as provided by law; and not to exceed $30,750 for expenses of travel; $5,550,000.

Administrative operations: For necessary expenses of executive direction for activities under the control of the General Services Administration, of administrative operations for activities under regular appropriations for "Operating expenses", and of processing and determining renegotiation rebates; including not to exceed $63,600 for expenses of travel; and not to exceed $250 for purchase of newspapers and periodicals; $4,125,000: Provided, That no functions budgeted under this appropriation shall be transferred to or financed from any other appropriation or fund.

Refunds under Renegotiation Act: For refunds under section 201 (f) of the Renegotiation Act of 1951, the unobligated balance of the appropriations granted under this head for the fiscal years 1952, 1953, and 1954, shall remain available until expended: Provided, That to the extent refunds are made from this appropriation of excessive profits collected under the Renegotiation Act and retained by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, or its successors, or any of its subsidiaries, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, or its successors, or the appropriate subsidiary shall reimburse this appropriation.

Strategic and critical materials: For necessary expenses in carrying out the provisions of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of July 23, 1946, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), not to exceed $4,000,000 for operating expenses, and not to exceed $137,000 of such funds for expenses of travel, $521,500,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That any funds received as proceeds from sale or other disposition of materials on account of the rotation of stocks under said Act shall be deposited to the credit, and be available for expenditure for the purposes, of this appropriation: Provided further, That during the current fiscal year, there shall be no limitation on the value of surplus strategic and critical materials which, in accordance with subsection 6 (a) of the Act of July 23, 1946 (50 U. S. C. 98e (a)), may be transferred to stockpiles established in accordance with said Act: Provided further, That no part of funds available shall be used for construction of warehouses or tank storage facilities.

Strategic and critical materials (liquidation of contract authorization): For liquidation of obligations incurred pursuant to authority herefore granted under this head, to enter into contracts for the purpose of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of July 23, 1946, $27,400,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That this amount may be disbursed through the appropriation "Strategic and critical materials" but shall be accounted for separately therein.

Hospital facilities in the District of Columbia: For an additional amount for expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of the Act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 896), as amended (65 Stat. 657), authorizing the establishment of a hospital center in the District of Columbia, including grants to private agencies for hospital facilities in said District, $1,610,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the limitation under this head in the Act of July 15, 1952 (66 Stat. 644), as amended, on the total amount to be provided for completion of grant projects, is increased from "$11,400,000" to "$13,010,000"
Hospital facilities in the District of Columbia (liquidation of contract authorization): For payment of obligations incurred pursuant to authority provided under the head "Hospital Center, District of Columbia", in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1949, to enter into contracts for construction, $9,700,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That this amount may be disbursed through the appropriation "Hospital facilities in the District of Columbia" but shall be accounted for separately therein.

United States Post Office and Courthouse, Nome, Alaska: For construction of a building in Nome, Alaska, for use as a United States Post Office and Courthouse, pursuant to the provisions of the Public Buildings Act of May 25, 1926, as amended (40 U. S. C. 341), $1,100,000, to remain available until expended.

The appropriate foregoing appropriation to the General Services Administration shall be credited with (1) cost of maintenance, upkeep, and repair included as part of rentals received from Government corporations pursuant to law (40 U. S. C. 129); (2) reimbursements for services performed in respect to bonds and other obligations under the jurisdiction of the General Services Administration, issued by public authorities, States, or other public bodies, and such services in respect to such bonds or obligations as the Administrator deems necessary and in the public interest may, upon the request and at the expense of the issuing agencies, be provided from the appropriate foregoing appropriation; and (3) appropriations or funds available to other agencies, and transferred to the General Services Administration, in connection with property transferred to the General Services Administration pursuant to the Act of July 2, 1948 (50 U. S. C. 451 f.), and such appropriations or funds may, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, be so transferred.

During the current fiscal year, no part of any money appropriated in this or any other Act shall be used during any quarter of such fiscal year to purchase within the continental limits of the United States typewriting machines (except bookkeeping and billing machines) at a price which exceeds 90 per centum of the lowest net cash price, plus applicable Federal excise taxes, accorded the most-favored customer (other than the Government, the American National Red Cross, and the purchasers of typewriting machines for educational purposes only) of the manufacturer of such machines during the six-month period immediately preceding such quarter: Provided, That the purchase, utilization, and disposal of typewriting machines shall be performed in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended.

The aggregate of annual payments for amortization of principal and interest thereon required by all purchase contracts entered into during the fiscal year 1956 pursuant to the Public Buildings Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 176), as amended by the Public Buildings Purchase Contract Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 518), shall not exceed the unused portion of the $5,000,000 limitation applicable prior to July 1, 1955, under section 411 (a) of the said Public Buildings Act of 1949, as amended.

The unobligated balances of the funds made available by section 1 (a) of the Act of June 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 257), the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1950, and the General Appropriation Act, 1951, for the acquisition of sites and the preparation of drawings and specifications for Federal public building projects outside the District of Columbia, as authorized by title I of the Act of June 16, 1949 (63 Stat. 176), as amended, and by the Act of May 25, 1926 (44 Stat. 630), as amended, shall be available also for expenses of preparation of
drawings and specifications, by contract or otherwise, acquisition of sites where not otherwise provided for, including soil investigations and tests, and administrative expenses, for carrying out the purposes of the Public Buildings Purchase Contract Act of 1954 (Public Law 519, Eighty-third Congress), approved July 22, 1954.

Abaca fiber program: Not to exceed $117,500 of funds available to the General Services Administration for the abaca fiber program shall be available for administrative expenses incident to the abaca fiber program, to be computed on an accrual basis, and to be exclusive of the interest paid, depreciation, capitalized expenditures, expenses in connection with the acquisition, protection, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of real or personal property relating to the abaca fiber program, and expenses of services performed on a contract or fee basis in connection with the performance of legal services.

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY

Office of the Administrator

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Office of the Administrator, including rent in the District of Columbia; purchase of not to exceed twenty-three passenger motor vehicles, of which twelve shall be for replacement only; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); not to exceed $263,700 for expenses of travel; expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the work of the agency; and the salary of a general counsel, but not in addition to staff otherwise authorized, which shall hereafter be at the salary rate of grade GS-18 so long as such position is occupied by the present incumbent; $5,000,000:

Provided, That necessary expenses of inspections and of providing representatives at the site of projects being planned or undertaken by local public agencies pursuant to title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, projects financed through loans to educational institutions authorized by title IV of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended, and projects and facilities financed by loans to public agencies pursuant to section 108 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Liquidation Act, as amended (40 U. S. C. 459), shall be compensated by such agencies or institutions by the payment of fixed fees which in the aggregate will cover the costs of rendering such services, and expenses for such purpose shall be considered nonadministrative; and for the purpose of providing such inspections, the Administrator may utilize any agency and such agency may accept reimbursement or payment for such services from such institutions or the Administrator, and shall credit such amounts to the appropriations or funds against which such charges have been made, but such nonadministrative expenses shall not exceed $700,000.

Reserve of planned public works: For an additional amount for advances to public agencies and for surveys to carry out the purposes of section 702 of the Housing Act of 1954, $3,000,000.

Urban planning grants: For an additional amount for grants to State, regional, and metropolitan area planning bodies in accordance with the provisions of section 701 of the Housing Act of 1954, $2,000,000.

Capital grants for slum clearance and urban renewal: For an additional amount for payment of capital grants as authorized by title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended (42 U. S. C. 1453, 1456), $50,000,000.
PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

Administrative expenses: For administrative expenses of the Public Housing Administration, $8,200,000, to be merged with and expended under the authorization for such expenses contained in title II of this Act.

Annual contributions: For the payment of annual contributions to public housing agencies in accordance with section 10 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U. S. C. 1410), $81,750,000.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

General expenses: For necessary expenses of the Interstate Commerce Commission not otherwise provided for, including not to exceed $5,000 for employment of special counsel; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; newspapers (not to exceed $200); purchase of not to exceed forty passenger motor vehicles, of which twenty shall be for replacement only; and not to exceed $330,000 for expenses of travel; $10,437,000, of which $125,000 shall be available for expenses necessary to carry out such defense mobilization functions as may be delegated pursuant to law: Provided, That Joint Board members and cooperating State commissioners may use Government transportation requests when traveling in connection with their duties as such.

Railroad safety: For expenses necessary in performing functions authorized by law (45 U. S. C. 1-15, 17-21, 34-46, 61-64; 49 U. S. C. 26) to insure a maximum of safety in the operation of railroads, including authority to investigate, test experimentally, and report on the use and need of any appliances or systems intended to promote the safety of railway operation, including those pertaining to block-signal and train-control systems, as authorized by the joint resolution approved June 30, 1906, and the Sundry Civil Act of May 27, 1908 (45 U. S. C. 35-37), and to require carriers by railroad subject to the Act to install automatic train-stop or train-control devices as prescribed by the Commission (49 U. S. C. 26), including the employment of inspectors and engineers, and including not to exceed $163,050 for expenses of travel, $974,500.

Locomotive inspection: For expenses necessary in the enforcement of the Act of February 17, 1911, entitled "An Act to promote the safety of employees and travelers upon railroads by compelling common carriers engaged in interstate commerce to equip their locomotives with safe and suitable boilers and appurtenances thereto", as amended (45 U. S. C. 22-34), including not to exceed $112,620 for expenses of travel, $709,500.

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Committee, including one Director at not to exceed $17,500 per annum so long as the position is held by the present incumbent; contracts for the making of special investigations and reports and for engineering, drafting and computing services; equipment; not to exceed $330,000 for expenses of travel; maintenance and operation of aircraft; purchase of ten passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; not to exceed $100 for newspapers and periodicals; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); $60,135,000.
Construction and equipment: For construction and equipment at laboratories and research stations of the Committee, including the acquisition of not to exceed five hundred acres of land, $12,565,000, to remain available until expended.

NATIONAL CAPITAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

Maintenance and operation of properties: For the maintenance and operation of properties under title I of the District of Columbia Alley Dwelling Authority Act, $37,000: Provided, That all receipts derived from sales, leases, or other sources shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States monthly: Provided further, That so long as funds are available from appropriations for the foregoing purposes, the provisions of section 507 of the Housing Act of 1950 (Public Law 475, Eighty-first Congress), shall not be effective.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended (42 U. S. C. 1861-1875), including award of graduate fellowships; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed $120,000 for expenses of travel; not to exceed $150 for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals; and reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services; $16,000,000, to remain available until expended.

International Geophysical Year: For necessary expenses to carry out the purposes of the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended (42 U. S. C. 1861-1875), as they pertain to the United States program for the International Geophysical Year, including expenses of travel notwithstanding any limitation contained in this Act, $10,000,000, to remain available until June 30, 1960.

RENEGOTIATION BOARD

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Renegotiation Board, including expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed $94,500 for expenses of travel; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; $4,150,000.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses, including not to exceed $500 for the purchase of newspapers; not to exceed $132,000 for expenses of travel; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); $4,955,000.

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the operation and maintenance of the Selective Service System, as authorized by title I of the Universal Military Training and Service Act (62 Stat. 604), as amended, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); purchase of thirty motor vehicles
for replacement only; not to exceed $250 for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals; not to exceed $72,500 for expenses of travel, National Administration, Planning, Training, and Records Management; not to exceed $145,000 for expenses of travel, State Administration, Planning, Training, and Records Servicing; and $75,800 for the National Selective Service Appeal Board, of which not to exceed $3,875 shall be available for expenses of travel; $27,216,000, together with not to exceed $1,826,000 of the unobligated balance of funds appropriated for this purpose in the "Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955"; Provided, That of the foregoing amount $20,968,700 shall be available for registration, classification, and induction activities of local boards: Provided further, That during the current fiscal year, the President may exempt this appropriation from the provisions of subsection (c) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, whenever he deems such action to be necessary in the interest of national defense.

Appropriations for the Selective Service System may be used for the destruction of records accumulated under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended, by the Director of Selective Service after compliance with the procedures for the destruction of records prescribed pursuant to the Records Disposal Act of 1943, as amended (44 U. S. C. 366-380): Provided, That no records may be transferred to any other agency without the approval of the Director of Selective Service.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

General operating expenses: For necessary operating expenses of the Veterans Administration, not otherwise provided for, including expenses incidental to securing employment for war veterans; purchase of thirty-one passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; not to exceed $3,300 for newspapers and periodicals; and not to exceed $2,731,000 for expenses of travel of employees; $158,002,000, of which $15,150,000 shall be available for such expenses as are necessary for the loan guaranty program: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay in excess of twenty persons engaged in public relations work: Provided further, That no part of any appropriation shall be used to pay educational institutions for reports and certifications of attendance at such institutions an allowance at a rate in excess of $1 per month for each eligible veteran enrolled in and attending such institution.

Medical administration and miscellaneous operating expenses: For expenses necessary for administration of the medical, hospital, domiciliary, special service, construction and supply, research, and employee education and training activities; expenses necessary for carrying out programs of medical research and of education and training of employees, as authorized by law; not to exceed $731,800 for expenses of travel of employees paid from this appropriation, and those engaged in training programs; not to exceed $2,700 for newspapers and periodicals; and not to exceed $43,700 for preparation, shipment, installation, and display of exhibits, photographic displays, moving pictures, and other visual educational information and descriptive material, including purchase or rental of equipment; $15,294,000.

Inpatient care: For expenses necessary for the maintenance and operation of hospitals and domiciliary facilities and for the care and treatment of beneficiaries of the Veterans Administration in facilities not under the jurisdiction of the Veterans Administration as authorized by law, including the furnishing of recreational articles and facilities; maintenance and operation of farms; repairing, altering,
improving or providing facilities in the several hospitals and homes under the jurisdiction of the Veterans Administration, not otherwise provided for, either by contract, or by the hire of temporary employees and purchase of materials; purchase of ninety-six passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; not to exceed $246,000 for expenses of travel of employees; uniforms or allowances therefor as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); and aid to State or Territorial homes in conformity with the Act approved August 27, 1888, as amended (24 U.S.C. 164) for the support of veterans eligible for admission to Veterans Administration facilities for hospital or domiciliary care; $626,229,600, including the sum of $7,229,600 for reimbursable services performed for other Government agencies and individuals: Provided, That allotments and transfers may be made from this appropriation to the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (Public Health Service), the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Interior Departments, for disbursement by them under the various headings of their applicable appropriations, of such amounts as are necessary for the care and treatment of beneficiaries of the Veterans Administration: Provided further, That the foregoing appropriation is predicated on furnishing inpatient care and treatment to an average of 131,484 beneficiaries during the fiscal year 1956 excluding members in State or Territorial homes, and if a lesser number is experienced such appropriation shall be expended only in proportion to the average number of beneficiaries furnished such care and treatment.

Outpatient care: For expenses necessary for furnishing outpatient care to beneficiaries of the Veterans Administration, as authorized by law, including purchase of ten passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; uniforms or allowances therefor as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); and not to exceed $170,000 for expenses of travel of employees; $82,089,000, of which not exceeding $11,500,000 shall be available for outpatient fee basis dental care.

Maintenance and operation of supply depots: For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of supply depots, including not to exceed $2,500 for expenses of travel of employees, $1,578,000.

Compensation and pensions: For the payment of compensation, pensions, gratuities, and allowances (including burial awards authorized by Veterans Regulation Numbered 9 (a), as amended, and subsistence allowances authorized by part VII of Veterans Regulation 1 (a) as amended), authorized under any Act of Congress, or regulation of the President based thereon, including emergency officers' retirement pay and annuities, the administration of which is now or may hereafter be placed in the Veterans Administration, and for the payment of adjusted-service credits as provided in sections 401 and 601 of the Act of May 19, 1924, as amended (38 U.S.C. 631 and 661), $2,800,000,000, to remain available until expended.

Readjustment benefits: For the payment of benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by titles II, III, and V, of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended, and title II of the Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, as amended, and for supplies, equipment, and tuition authorized by part VII and payments authorized by part IX of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, $827,007,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That hereafter no part of any appropriation to the Veterans Administration shall be available, in connection with any loan authorized by title III of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended (38 U.S.C. 604-604n), for payment to the lender by the Administrator of Veterans Affairs, or for credit on the loan, of an amount equivalent to 4 per centum of the amount originally loaned, guaranteed or insured by the Veterans Administration: Provided further, That no right to any
such payment shall accrue after September 1, 1953, but the foregoing proviso shall not apply with respect to payments based on guarantees made, or certificates of commitments issued, prior to said date or commitments for loans made by the Veterans Administration.

Military and naval insurance: For military and naval insurance, $4,868,000, to remain available until expended.

National service life insurance: For the payment of benefits and for transfer to the national service life insurance fund, in accordance with the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended, $31,300,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That certain premiums shall be credited to this appropriation as provided by the Act.

Servicemen’s indemnities: For payment of liabilities under the Servicemen’s Indemnity Act of 1951, $40,500,000, to remain available until expended.


Hospital and domiciliary facilities: For hospital and domiciliary facilities, for planning and for extending, with the approval of the President, any of the facilities under the jurisdiction of the Veterans Administration or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 1 and 2 of the Act approved March 4, 1931 (38 U. S. C. 438j–k) or in section 101 of the Servicemen’s Readjustment Act of 1944 (38 U. S. C. 693a), to remain available until expended, $30,000,000, of which $2,900,000 shall be available for technical services for rehabilitation of the neuropsychiatric hospital at Downey, Illinois.

Major alterations, improvements, and repairs: For all necessary expenses of major alterations, improvements, and repairs to regional offices, supply depots, and hospital and domiciliary facilities, $3,900,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That no part of the foregoing appropriation shall be used to commence any major alteration, improvement, or repair unless funds are available for the completion of such work; and no funds shall be used for such work at any facility if the Veterans Administration is reasonably certain that the installation will be abandoned in the near future.

Not to exceed 5 per centum of any appropriation for the current fiscal year for “Compensation and pensions”, “Readjustment benefits”, “Military and naval insurance”, “National service life insurance”, and “Servicemen’s indemnities”, may be transferred, to any other of the mentioned appropriations, but not to exceed 10 per centum of the appropriation so augmented.

Appropriations available to the Veterans Administration for the current fiscal year for salaries and expenses shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a).

Appropriations available to the Veterans Administration for the current fiscal year for “Inpatient care” and “Outpatient care” shall be available for funeral, burial, and other expenses incidental thereto (except burial awards authorized by Veterans Regulation Numbered 9 (a), as amended), for beneficiaries of the Veterans Administration receiving care under such appropriations.

No part of the appropriations in this Act for the Veterans Administration (except the appropriation for “Hospital and domiciliary facilities”) shall be available for the purchase of any site for or toward the construction of any new hospital or home.
No part of the foregoing appropriations shall be available for hospitalization or examination of any persons except beneficiaries entitled under the laws bestowing such benefits to veterans, unless reimbursement of cost is made to the appropriation at such rates as may be fixed by the Administrator of Veterans Affairs.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 102. Where appropriations in this title are expendable for travel expenses of employees and no specific limitation has been placed thereon, the expenditures for such travel expenses may not exceed the amount set forth therefor in the budget estimates submitted for the appropriations: Provided, That this section shall not apply to travel performed by uncompensated officials of local boards and appeal boards of the Selective Service System.

Sec. 103. Where appropriations in this title are expendable for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals and no specific limitation has been placed thereon, the expenditures therefor under each such appropriation may not exceed the amount of $50: Provided, That this limitation shall not apply to the purchase of scientific, technical, trade, or traffic periodicals necessary in connection with the performance of the authorized functions of the agencies for which funds are herein provided.

Sec. 104. No part of any appropriation contained in this title shall be available to pay the salary of any person filling a position, other than a temporary position, formerly held by an employee who has left to enter the Armed Forces of the United States and has satisfactorily completed his period of active military or naval service and has within ninety days after his release from such service or from hospitalization continuing after discharge for a period of not more than one year made application for restoration to his former position and has been certified by the Civil Service Commission as still qualified to perform the duties of his former position and has not been restored thereto.

Sec. 105. Appropriations contained in this title, available for expenses of travel shall be available, when specifically authorized by the head of the activity or establishment concerned, for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the function or activity for which the appropriation concerned is made.

Sec. 106. No part of any appropriations made available by the provisions of this title shall be used for the purchase or sale of real estate or for the purpose of establishing new offices outside the District of Columbia: Provided, That this limitation shall not apply to programs which have been approved by the Congress and appropriations made therefor.

Sec. 107. No part of any appropriation contained in this title shall be used to pay the compensation of any employee engaged in personnel work in excess of the number that would be provided by a ratio of one such employee to one hundred and thirty-five, or a part thereof, full-time, part-time, and intermittent employees of the agency concerned: Provided, That for purposes of this section employees shall be considered as engaged in personnel work if they spend half time or more in personnel administration consisting of direction and administration of the personnel program; employment, placement, and separation; job evaluation and classification; employee relations and services; training; wage administration; and processing, recording, and reporting.

Sec. 108. No part of any appropriation contained in this title shall be used to pay the compensation of any officers and employees who allocate positions in the classified civil service with a requirement of maximum age for such positions: Provided, That (1) ability and
(2) qualifications for employment to such positions shall be the governing considerations.

SEC. 108. None of the sections under the head "Independent Offices, General Provisions" in this title shall apply to the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

TITLE II—CORPORATIONS

The following corporations and agencies, respectively, are hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the Budget for the fiscal year 1956 for each such corporation or agency, except as hereinafter provided:

Office of the Administrator, housing loans to educational institutions: Not to exceed $500,000 shall be available for all administrative expenses, which shall be on an accrual basis, of carrying out the functions of the Office of the Administrator under the program of housing loans to educational institutions (title IV of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended, 12 U. S. C. 1749-1749d), but this amount shall be exclusive of payment for services and facilities of the Federal Reserve banks or any member thereof, the Federal home-loan banks, and any insured bank within the meaning of the Act creating the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (Act of August 23, 1933, as amended, 12 U. S. C. 264) which has been designated by the Secretary of the Treasury as a depository of public money of the United States: Provided, That not to exceed $19,000 shall be available for expenses of travel.

Office of the Administrator, public facility loans: Not to exceed $40,000 of funds in the revolving fund established pursuant to section 108 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Liquidation Act, as amended (40 U. S. C. 459), shall be available for administrative expenses, but this amount shall be exclusive of payment for services and facilities of the Federal Reserve banks or any member thereof, the Federal home-loan banks, and any insured bank within the meaning of the Act creating the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (Act of August 23, 1933, as amended, 12 U. S. C. 264) which has been designated by the Secretary of the Treasury as a depository of public money of the United States.

Office of the Administrator, revolving fund (liquidating programs): During the current fiscal year not to exceed $2,600,000 shall be available for administrative expenses (including not to exceed $183,200 for travel), but this amount shall be exclusive of costs of services performed on a contract or fee basis in connection with termination of contracts and legal services on a contract or fee basis and of payment for services and facilities of the Federal Reserve banks or any member thereof, any servicer approved by the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal home-loan banks, and any insured bank within the meaning of the Act of August 23, 1933, as amended, creating the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (12 U. S. C. 264) which has been designated by the Secretary of the Treasury as a depository of public money of the United States: Provided, That all expenses, not otherwise specifically limited in connection with the programs provided for under this head shall not exceed $10,750,000, but this limitation shall not apply to expenses (other than for personal services) in connection with disposition of federally owned projects.

Federal National Mortgage Association: Not to exceed $3,950,000 shall be available for administrative expenses, which shall be on an
accrual basis, and shall be exclusive of interest paid, expenses (including expenses for fiscal agency services performed on a contract or fee basis) in connection with the issuance and servicing of obligations, depreciation, properly capitalized expenditures, fees for servicing mortgages, expenses (including services performed on a force account, contract, or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, protection, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of real or personal property belonging to said Association or in which it has an interest, cost of salaries, wages, travel, and other expenses of persons employed outside of the continental United States, expenses of services performed on a contract or fee basis in connection with the performance of legal services, and all administrative expenses reimbursable from other Government agencies; and said Association may utilize and may make payment for services and facilities of the Federal Reserve banks and other agencies of the Government: Provided, That the distribution of administrative expenses to the accounts of the Association shall be made in accordance with generally recognized accounting principles and practices: Provided further, That not to exceed $90,000 shall be available for expenses of travel: Provided further, That administrative expenses not under limitation for the purposes set forth in the budget schedules for the fiscal year 1956 shall not exceed $150,000.

Home Loan Bank Board: Not to exceed a total of $920,000 shall be available for administrative expenses of the Home Loan Bank Board, and shall be derived from funds available to the Home Loan Bank Board, including those in the Home Loan Bank Board revolving fund and receipts of the Federal Home Loan Bank Administration, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, or the Home Loan Bank Board for the current fiscal year and prior fiscal years, and the Board may utilize and may make payment for services and facilities of the Federal home-loan banks, the Federal Reserve banks, the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, and other agencies of the Government: Provided, That all necessary expenses in connection with the conservatorship of institutions insured by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation and all necessary expenses (including services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the handling, including the purchase, sale, and exchange, of securities on behalf of Federal home-loan banks, and the sale, issuance, and retirement of, or payment of interest on, debentures or bonds, under the Federal Home Loan Bank Act, as amended, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof: Provided further, That not to exceed $42,400 shall be available for expenses of travel: Provided further, That members of the Federal Savings and Loan Advisory Council shall be entitled to reimbursement from the Board for transportation expenses incurred in attendance at meetings of such Council and may be paid not to exceed $25 per diem in lieu of subsistence: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, except for the limitation in amount hereinbefore specified, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Board shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act of July 22, 1932, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1421-1449): Provided further, That the nonadministrative expenses for the examination of Federal and State chartered institutions shall not exceed $2,995,000.

Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation: Not to exceed $985,000 shall be available for administrative expenses, which shall be on an accrual basis and shall be exclusive of interest paid, depreciation, properly capitalized expenditures, expenses in connection with liquidation of insured institutions, liquidation or handling of
assets of or derived from insured institutions, payment of insurance, and action for or toward the avoidance, termination, or minimizing of losses in the case of insured institutions, legal fees and expenses, and payments for administrative expenses of the Home Loan Bank Board determined by said Board to be properly allocable to said Corporation, and said Corporation may utilize and may make payment for services and facilities of the Federal home-loan banks, the Federal Reserve banks, the Home Loan Bank Board, and other agencies of the Government: Provided, That not to exceed $90,000 shall be available for expenses of travel: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, except for the limitation in amount hereinbefore specified, the administrative expenses and other obligations of said Corporation shall be incurred, allowed and paid in accordance with title IV of the Act of June 27, 1934, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1724-1730).

Federal Housing Administration: In addition to the amounts available by or pursuant to law (which shall be transferred to this authorization) for the administrative expenses in carrying out duties imposed by or pursuant to law, not to exceed $5,900,000 of the various funds of the Federal Housing Administration shall be available for expenditure in accordance with the National Housing Act, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1701): Provided, That, except as herein otherwise provided, all expenses and obligations of said Administration shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of said Act: Provided further, That not to exceed $300,000 shall be available for expenses of travel: Provided further, That funds available for expenditure shall be available for contract actuarial services (not to exceed $1,500); and purchase of periodicals and newspapers (not to exceed $500); and purchase of not to exceed four passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; and expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the work of the Administration: Provided, That necessary expenses of providing representatives of the Administration at the sites of non-Federal projects in connection with the construction of such non-Federal projects by public housing agencies with the aid of the Administration, shall be compensated by such agencies by the payment of fixed fees which in the aggregate in relation to the development costs of such projects will cover the costs of rendering such services, and expenditures by the Administration for such purpose shall be considered non-administrative expenses, and funds received from such payments may be used only for the payment of necessary expenses of providing representatives of the Administration at the sites of non-Federal projects: Provided further, That all expenses of the Public Housing Administration not specifically limited in this Act, in carrying out its duties imposed by law, shall not exceed $1,820,000.

CORPORATIONS—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 202. No part of the funds of, or available for expenditure by, any corporation or agency included in this title shall be used to pay the compensation of any employee engaged in personnel work in excess of the number that would be provided by a ratio of one such employee to one hundred and thirty-five, or a part thereof, full-
Strikes or overthrow of U.S. Government.

Sec. 301. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Sec. 302. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation or agency included in this Act, shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes designed to support or defeat legislation pending before the Congress.

Sec. 303. This Act may be cited as the "Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1956".

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CHAPTER 245

AN ACT

To extend the period of authorization of appropriations for the hospital center and facilities in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of
Joint Resolution

Joint Resolution

To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain vessels to citizens of the Republic of the Philippines; to provide for the rehabilitation of the interisland commerce of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 14 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946 (Public Law 321, Seventy-ninth Congress), as amended, or any other provision of law, the Secretary of Commerce is hereby authorized and directed to sell to citizens of the Republic of the Philippines in accordance with the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, five vessels named herein: Carrick Bend, Masthead Knot, Snug Hitch, Boatswain's Hitch and Turks Head, which at present are in the Philippines: Provided, That with respect to each of the said vessels one-half of the charter hire paid to the United States shall be subtracted from the sales price as additional depreciation for the period beginning July 1, 1954, and ending with the date of execution of the contract of sale of the respective vessel: And provided further, That the Secretary of Commerce after consultation with the National Advisory Council in International Monetary and Financial Problems, shall fix the terms of payment on unpaid balances, which terms shall in no event be more favorable than the terms applicable in the case of sales to citizens of the United States.

In determining the order of preference between applicants for the purchase of such vessels, first preference shall be given to the applicants who are charterers of such vessels under the terms of the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946, as amended, at the time of making application to purchase vessels under the terms of this Act; second preference shall be given to applicants who suffered losses of interisland tonnage in the interests of the Allied war effort: Provided, That applications for the purchase of said vessels are received by the Secretary of Commerce within one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

Except with the prior approval of the Secretary of Commerce, any vessel sold under this joint resolution shall, for a period of ten years from the date of sale of the vessel, be operated only in the interisland commerce of the Philippines.

Delivery of the vessels for the purposes of sale shall be made at a port in the Philippines designated by the Secretary of Commerce.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the said vessels shall continue to operate in the Philippines under existing charters until such time as the agreements of sale are executed and deliveries of the vessels thereunder are accomplished.

For the purposes of this Act, the term "citizen" includes any individual, corporation, partnership, association, or other form of business entity authorized to do business under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

Approved June 30, 1955.
AN ACT

To provide certain clarifying and technical amendments to the Reserve Officer Personnel Act of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the second sentence of section 201 of the Reserve Officer Personnel Act of 1954 is amended by striking out the word "two" and substituting in lieu thereof the word "three".

(b) Section 205 of such Act is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(c) (1) A Reserve officer serving on active duty who, on the date he would otherwise be removed from active status under sections 325, 327, 411, 522, 524, or 611 of this Act, is within two years of qualifying for retirement under either title II of the Army-Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (62 Stat. 1084), or section 6 of Public Law 305, of the Seventy-ninth Congress (60 Stat. 27), may, in the discretion of the Secretary, be retained on active duty for a period not to exceed two years if he will then be entitled to the benefits of such provisions of law and will not earlier attain the maximum age at which transfer from an active status or discharge is required by this Act. He shall not be removed from an active status so long as he remains on active duty.

"(2) The term 'maximum age' as used in this section shall, in the case of any officer covered by sections 325 and 327 hereof, be the age authorized by the first paragraph of section 326 (a) of this Act."

"(d) Section 333 of such Act is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. Section 333 of the Reserve Officer Personnel Act of 1954 is amended (1) by striking out "A Reserve" and inserting in lieu thereof "(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) hereof, a Reserve", and (2) by inserting at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(b) A Reserve officer on active duty who has not completed his period of required active duty as a member of a reserve component under any provision of law or regulations, and who is recommended or found qualified for promotion, may not be promoted until he completes that period of required active duty, or until he is temporarily promoted to that higher grade. Upon completing that period of required active duty or upon being temporarily promoted to that higher grade, he shall, if he applies therefor, be promoted, be subject to subsection (a), and be credited with the amount of promotion service in the higher grade that he would have had if he had been promoted but for the provisions of this subsection."

SEC. 3. (a) The first sentence of section 402 (c) is amended by changing the period at the end of the sentence to a colon and adding the following: "Provided, That until July 1, 1960, the per centum in the grade of major may be 22 per centum, in the grade of captain, 45 per centum, and in the combined grades of first and second lieutenant, 25 per centum, if, in the opinion of the Secretary, such increased percentages are required to permit promotions under this title."

(b) Section 403 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence: "Within the number to be selected which the Secretary may furnish to a selection board considering Naval Reserve line officers in any grade, the Secretary may further specify numbers of officers of stated qualifications and experience who are required to meet mobilization needs in the next higher grade."

(c) The second sentence of section 405 (b) of such Act is amended by striking out "ineligible" and inserting in lieu thereof "eligible".
(d) Section 405 (d) of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "An officer whose name is so withheld from consideration from two selection boards for promotion to the same next higher grade shall be deemed to have failed twice of selection. An officer who has met all requirements for eligibility for consideration but whose name is omitted by administrative error from the list of officers furnished a selection board, shall be considered not to have failed of selection by that board and if selected by the next selection board to consider for promotion officers of the same grade he shall be entitled to the same date of rank and to pay and allowances of the higher grade for duty performed from the same date as if he had been selected by the board from which his name was withheld by error."

(e) Title IV of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"Sec. 414. Officers who prior to July 1, 1955, were selected for promotion under appropriate Naval and Marine Corps regulations promulgated pursuant to subsection 216 (a) of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952, as amended, may be promoted under the authority of this Act with precedence and entitlement to pay and allowances as prescribed by this Act."

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SEC. 4. (a) Section 501 (b) (1) of the Reserve Officer Personnel Act of 1954 is amended to read as follows:

"(1) 'Promotion service' means—
"(A) service in an active status in current grade; and
"(B) all service in an active status subsequent to June 25, 1950, and prior to the effective date of this Act (1) during which an officer was eligible for permanent promotion on the basis of service in a higher temporary grade, (ii) in an equivalent or higher permanent grade in the same or another service, including service in a federally recognized commissioned status in the Army and Air National Guard, except that any such service authorized under this subparagraph shall be counted but once for promotion purposes."

(b) Section 502 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(d) To carry out the provisions of this title a promotion may be made effective before, on, or after the date accomplished, and the officer shall be entitled to pay, allowance, and benefits authorized by law for the higher grade from such effective date unless expressly provided otherwise in this Act."

(c) Section 504 (a) (2) (B) of such Act is amended by striking out "longest service as a commissioned officer (including service in the federally recognized National Guard or in a federally recognized status therein prior to 1933)" and inserting in lieu thereof "greatest number of total years of service."

(d) Section 506 of such Act is amended (1) by striking out subsection (a) thereof, and (2) by striking out "(b)" and inserting in lieu thereof "(a)".

(e) The last sentence of section 508 (c) of such Act is amended by inserting after the word "sections" the following: "502 (d), 311 (c)."

(f) Section 509 of such Act is amended (1) by striking out in subsection (a) thereof "subsection (b)" and inserting in lieu thereof "subsections (b) and (c)"; and (2) by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(c) Whenever the Secretary determines that there are vacancies in the permanent grade of first lieutenant, Reserve officers in the grade of second lieutenant under regulations prescribed by the Secretary,
may be promoted to the permanent grade of first lieutenant before completion of three years of promotion service.”

(g) Section 510 (b) of such Act is amended by striking the period at the end of paragraph 2 thereof and inserting a semicolon and the following: “and

“(3) only those Reserve officers of the Air National Guard of the United States who must be considered at that time in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section.”

(h) Section 511 of such Act is amended by striking out subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof the following new subsections:

“(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) hereof, a Reserve officer on active duty who is promoted to a grade higher than that in which he is serving shall continue to serve on active duty in the grade in which he was serving immediately before that promotion, and may be appointed in a temporary grade which is equal to that lower grade. An officer who is so appointed in a temporary grade is considered to have accepted the appointment upon the date of the orders announcing it unless he expressly declines it, and need not take a new oath of office upon being so appointed. However, he may decline the appointment within six months after the date of the order announcing it, and shall be released from active duty.

“(c) A Reserve officer on active duty who has not completed his period of required active duty as a member of a reserve component under any provision of law or regulations, and who is recommended or found qualified for promotion, may not be promoted until he completes that period of required active duty, or until he is temporarily promoted to that higher grade. Upon completing that period of required active duty or upon being temporarily promoted to that higher grade, he shall, if he applies therefor, be promoted, be subject to subsection (b), and be credited with the amount of promotion service in the higher grade that he would have had if he had been promoted but for the provisions of this subsection.

“(d) A Reserve officer who, while he is serving on active duty, is promoted to a grade higher than the grade in which he is serving, may not serve on active duty in the grade to which promoted, or be entitled while on that period of active duty to the rank, pay, and allowances of that higher grade unless he is ordered to serve on active duty in that higher grade or is temporarily promoted to that higher grade.”

(i) Section 523 of such Act is amended (1) by striking out in subsections (a), (b), and (c), the words “date upon” wherever they appear therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words “last day of the month in”, and (2) by striking out in the first sentence of subsection (d) the word “Each” and inserting in lieu thereof “Effective five years after the effective date of this Act, each”.

(j) Section 524 of such Act is amended (1) by striking out in subsection (a) thereof “two years” and inserting in lieu thereof “five years”, and (2) by striking out in the first sentence of subsections (b), (c), (d) (1), and (d) (2) thereof the word “Each” and inserting in lieu thereof “Effective five years after the effective date of this Act, each”.

(k) Title 5 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sections:

“Sec. 527. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, a Reserve officer who becomes a civilian employee of the Air National Guard prior to the effective date of this Act may not, before attaining age sixty, while so employed and without his consent, be removed from active status by reason of any mandatory promotion provisions contained herein, except for cause, physical disability, or by reason of
being twice passed over for promotion to the grade of captain, major, or lieutenant colonel.

"Sec. 528. Notwithstanding section 701 of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to take, prior to the effective date of this Act, such administrative actions, including the convening of appropriate selection boards, as may be necessary to insure that the Act may be implemented upon its effective date."

Sec. 5. (a) Section 606 (b) of the Reserve Officer Personnel Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"(4) If a running mate is retarded in rate of promotion or has attained the highest rank to which he may be promoted, the new running mate shall be the officer of the Regular Coast Guard who is next senior to the old running mate, exclusive of extra numbers, or if there be no such Regular officer then the Regular officer of the same grade who is next eligible for promotion. An officer shall be considered to have been retarded when another officer in his grade junior to him is eligible for promotion ahead of him. If subsequently the old running mate is promoted and is restored to the precedence he would have held but for the retardation, he shall be reassigned as the running mate of the Reserve officer concerned."

(b) Section 608 of such Act is amended by striking out "and shall be allowed the pay and allowances of the higher grade for duty performed from the date his running mate became entitled to such pay and allowances" and insert in lieu thereof "and a Reserve officer so promoted shall be allowed pay and allowances of the higher grade for duty performed from the date of his appointment thereto."

(c) Title 6 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"Sec. 619. Officers who, prior to July 1, 1955, were selected for promotion under appropriate regulations may be promoted under the authority of this Act with precedence and entitlement to pay and allowances as prescribed by this Act."

Sec. 6. Subsection 302 (f) (1) is amended to read as follows:

"(1) Any period an officer has held, or is credited by the Secretary with having held, a permanent appointment in his current grade in the Army or, in the discretion of the Secretary any other armed force of the United States while-

"(A) in an active status; or

"(B) on an active list of a regular component;

"(2) For an officer who was on active duty prior to September 3, 1945, any period served on active duty prior to January 1, 1949, in the Army or, in the discretion of the Secretary, any other armed force of the United States while in a temporary grade equal to or higher than his current grade; and

"(3) Any period credited under section 305 (b)."

No period may be counted twice as promotion service. For a person credited with service under section 201 or subsection 305 (c) or (d), no period prior to appointment or transfer may be counted under (1) or (2) as promotion service."

Sec. 7. Section 303 is amended by adding the following new subsections:

"(f) The promotion of a Reserve officer under investigation or against whom proceedings of a court-martial or board of officers are pending may be delayed by the Secretary until such investigation or proceedings are completed.

"(g) Based on the results of an investigation or the proceedings of a court-martial or board of officers, the Secretary may remove from the recommended list the name of any officer who in his opinion is not
qualified for promotion. A nonunit officer so removed from a recommended list shall, for the purposes of section 311 be deemed to have been considered and not recommended for promotion."

Sec. 8. Section 314 is amended by inserting the words "other than the Judge Advocate General's Corps" after the words "special branch" appearing in subsection (a) and by substituting "sections 300, 311, or 333" for "section 311" appearing in subsection (d).

Sec. 9. Section 325 is amended by inserting a colon after the words "Retired Reserve", by deleting that portion of the section following such colon, and by adding the following new subsections:

"(a) If not on active duty, within ninety days after the second selection board submits its report to the convening authority; or

"(b) If on active duty, one hundred twenty days after being notified of his second nonselection."

Sec. 10. Section 333 is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 333. (a) A Reserve officer on active duty who is promoted to a grade higher than that in which he is serving shall continue to serve on active duty in the grade in which he was serving immediately before that promotion and shall, unless he expressly declines such promotion, be deemed to have accepted, effective on the date of such promotion, a temporary appointment in the grade in which serving. If he does not desire to continue on active duty in the grade in which serving, he may, except as provided in subsection (b) hereof, elect to be relieved from active duty and shall be promoted on the day subsequent to such relief or on the day he would have been promoted had he remained on active duty, whichever is the later. If his relief from active duty occurs subsequent to the date he would have been promoted had he remained on active duty, he shall be credited with the amount of promotion service that he would have had if he had remained on active duty and been promoted.

"(b) A Reserve officer on active duty who is recommended or found qualified for promotion and who has not completed his period of required active duty as a member of a reserve component under any provision of law or regulation shall not have the election of relief from active duty as provided in subsection (a) hereof but may decline a promotion if he does not desire to serve on active duty in a grade lower than his permanent grade. A person who so declines a promotion shall, if he applies therefor, be promoted upon being temporarily promoted to that higher grade or, subject to subsection (a), upon completing his period of required active duty."

Sec. 11. Section 337 of such Act is hereby repealed.

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 116

AN ACT

To provide for the conveyance of all right, title, and interest of the United States in a certain tract of land in Macon County, Georgia, to the Georgia State Board of Education.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the written consent of the Georgia Livestock Development Authority, the United States of America, acting through the Administrator of the Farmers Home Administration, is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed to the Georgia State Board of Education, its successors and assigns, all of the right, title, and interest retained by the United States of America in its quitclaim deed to the Georgia State Board of Education.
Board of Education, dated December 18, 1945, and recorded on January 28, 1946, in deed record book WW, page 156, in the office of the clerk of the Superior Court of Macon County, Georgia, covering a tract of land containing two hundred twenty-six and one hundred forty-eight one-thousandths acres or less, in Macon County, Georgia, and more particularly described as follows:

That certain tract or parcel of land known as the Barrow Place in the Ninth District of Macon County (formerly Houston County), Georgia, and described on the plat of said county as lot 161 in said district and county, and more particularly described as follows:

"Beginning at the northeast corner of the said land lot, said corner being an iron axle and thence along the east line of said road south one degree sixteen minutes fifty-eight seconds east 3,263.79 feet to an iron pipe, thence north eighty-nine degrees eleven minutes forty-three seconds west 3,056.88 feet to an iron pipe, thence north zero degrees fifteen minutes eight seconds west 3,246.16 feet to an iron pipe, thence south eighty-nine degrees thirty minutes four seconds east 2,998.04 feet to the point of beginning, containing 226.148 acres, more or less."

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 117

AN ACT

To amend Public Law 727, Eighty-third Congress, so as to extend the period for the making of emergency loans for agricultural purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of the Act entitled "An Act to provide emergency credit", approved August 31, 1954 (Public Law 727, Eighty-third Congress), is amended by striking out "1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "1957".

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 118

AN ACT

To further amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act by extending the authority to induct certain individuals and by extending the authority to require the special registration, classification, and induction of certain medical, dental, and allied specialist categories, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "1955 Amendments to the Universal Military Training and Service Act".

TITLE I

Sec. 101. (a) Subsection (a) of section 6 of the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Any person who subsequent to June 24, 1948, serves on active duty for a period of not less than eighteen months in the armed forces of a nation with which the United States is associated in mutual defense activities as defined by the President, may be exempted from training and service, but not from registration, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the President, except that no such exemption shall be granted to any person who is a national of a country which does not grant reciprocal
privileges to citizens of the United States: Provided, That any active duty performed prior to June 24, 1948, by a person in the armed forces of a country allied with the United States during World War II and with which the United States is associated in such mutual defense activities, shall be credited in the computation of such eighteen-month period.”.

(b) Subsection (b) of such section is amended by amending paragraph (3) to read as follows:

“(3) Except as provided in section 4 (i) of this Act, and notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no person who (A) has served honorably on active duty after September 16, 1940, for a period of not less than one year in the Army, the Air Force, the Navy, the Marine Corps, or the Coast Guard, or (B) subsequent to September 16, 1940, was discharged for the convenience of the Government after having served honorably on active duty for a period of not less than six months in the Army, the Air Force, the Navy, the Marine Corps, or the Coast Guard, or (C) has served for a period of not less than twenty-four months (i) as a commissioned officer in the Public Health Service or (ii) as a commissioned officer in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, shall be liable for induction for training and service under this Act, except after a declaration of war or national emergency made by the Congress subsequent to the date of enactment of this title.”.

(c) Subsection (c) (2) (A) of such section is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: “No person who has been or may be deferred under the provisions of this clause shall by reason of such deferment be liable for training and service in the Armed Forces by reason of the provisions of subsection (h) hereof after he has attained the twenty-eighth anniversary of the date of his birth.”.

(d) Subsection (h) of such section is amended by inserting immediately after “Provided further,” the following: “That the existence of a shortage or a surplus of any agricultural commodity shall not be considered in determining the deferment of any individual on the grounds that his employment in agriculture is necessary to the maintenance of the national health, safety, or interest: And provided further, .”.

SEC. 102. Section 17 (c) of the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended, is amended by striking out “July 1, 1955” wherever such date appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof “July 1, 1959”.

SEC. 103. Section 16 of the Dependents Assistance Act of 1950, as amended, is amended by striking out “July 1, 1955” wherever such date appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof “July 1, 1959”.

TITLE II

SEC. 201. Sections 4 and 7 of the Act entitled “An Act to amend the Selective Service Act of 1948, as amended, so as to provide for special registration, classification, and induction of certain medical, dental, and allied specialist categories, and for other purposes”, approved September 9, 1950 (64 Stat. 826), as amended, are amended by striking out “July 1, 1955” wherever such date appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof “July 1, 1957”.

SEC. 202. The last sentence of paragraph (1) of section 4 (i) of the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended, is amended (1) by inserting immediately after the word “subsection” the following: “(A) after he has attained the thirty-fifth anniversary of the date of his birth, if he applies or has applied for a commission in one of the Armed Forces in any of such categories and is or has been rejected for
such commission on the sole ground of a physical disqualification, or (B), and (2) by striking out "fifty-first" and inserting in lieu thereof "forty-sixth".

SEC. 203. Section 203 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 809), as amended, is amended by striking out "July 1, 1955" wherever such date appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "July 1, 1959".

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 119

CHAPTER 251

JOINT RESOLUTION

June 30, 1955

To extend for temporary periods certain housing programs, the Small Business Act of 1953, and the Defense Production Act of 1950.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended—

(1) by striking "July 1, 1955" in section 2 (a) and inserting "August 1, 1955"; and

(2) by striking "June 30, 1955" in section 803 (a) and inserting "July 31, 1955".

SEC. 2. The second sentence of section 104 of the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "July 1, 1955" both times it appears therein and inserting "August 1, 1955".

SEC. 3. The United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, is hereby amended by striking the words "fiscal year 1955" in subsection 10 (i) thereof and substituting the following therefor: "period from June 30, 1954, to August 1, 1955".

SEC. 4. Subsection (a) of section 221 of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by striking "June 30, 1955" and inserting "July 31, 1955".

SEC. 5. The first sentence of subsection (a) of section 717 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "June 30, 1955" and inserting "July 31, 1955".

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 120

CHAPTER 252

JOINT RESOLUTION

June 30, 1955

Making an additional appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sum is appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply an additional appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE HOUSE

For an additional amount for "Folding documents", $12,000.

Approved June 30, 1955.
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CHAPTER 253

Making appropriations for the Department of Commerce and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of Commerce and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Commerce (hereafter in this title referred to as the Secretary), including teletype news service (not exceeding $1,000); $2,172,000.

BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for collecting, compiling, and publishing current census statistics provided for by law; and for general administration, including enumerators at rates to be fixed without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended; $6,900,000.

Census of agriculture: For expenses necessary for taking, compiling, and publishing the 1954 Census of Agriculture, as authorized by law, including personal services by contract or otherwise at rates to be fixed by the Secretary of Commerce without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended; and additional compensation of Federal employees temporarily detailed for field work under this appropriation; $5,500,000, to remain available until December 31, 1956.

Censuses of business, manufactures, and mineral industries: For expenses necessary for taking, compiling, and publishing the censuses of business, manufactures, and mineral industries as authorized by law, including personal services by contract or otherwise at rates to be fixed by the Secretary of Commerce without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended; and additional compensation of Federal employees temporarily detailed for field work under this appropriation; $4,000,000, to remain available until December 31, 1957.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION

Operation and regulation: For necessary expenses of the Civil Aeronautics Administration in carrying out the provisions of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended (49 U. S. C. 401), and other Acts incident to the enforcement of safety regulations, maintenance and operation of air-navigation and air-traffic control facilities, and disposal of surplus airports and administering instruments of disposal; planning, research, and administrative expenses for carrying out the provisions of the Federal Airport Act of May 13, 1946, as amended, including furnishing advisory services to States and other public and private agencies in connection with the construction or improvement of airports and landing areas; developmental work and service-testing as tends to the creation of improved air-navigation facilities, including landing areas, aircraft, aircraft engines, propellers, appliances, personnel, and operation methods, and acquisition of sites for such activities by lease, or grant; purchase of not to exceed sixty-five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; hire of aircraft (not
exceeding $370,000); operation and maintenance of not to exceed eighty-five aircraft; fees and mileage of expert and other witnesses; and purchase and repair of skis and snowshoes; $106,150,000: Provided. That there may be credited to this appropriation, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, and other public authorities for expenses incurred in the maintenance and operation of air-navigation facilities.

Establishment of air-navigation facilities: For an additional amount for the acquisition, establishment, and improvement by contract or purchase and hire of air-navigation facilities, including the initial acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; the construction and furnishing of quarters and related accommodations for officers and employees of the Civil Aeronautics Administration and the Weather Bureau stationed at remote localities not on foreign soil where such accommodations are not available; the initial flight checking of air-navigation facilities and the transportation by air to and from and within the Territories of the United States of materials and equipment secured under this appropriation; $16,000,000, to remain available until expended.

Establishment of air-navigation facilities (liquidation of contract authorization): For liquidation of obligations incurred under authority heretofore granted under this head to enter into contracts, $7,000,000.

Grants-in-aid for airports: For project grants authorized by the Federal Airport Act, as amended, to remain available until June 30, 1958, $20,000,000, of which (1) $19,650,000 shall be for projects in the States in accordance with section 6 of said Act, (2) $100,000 for projects in Puerto Rico, (3) $50,000 for projects in the Virgin Islands, (4) $100,000 for projects in the Territory of Hawaii, and (5) $100,000 for projects in the Territory of Alaska: Provided, That the unexpended balances of appropriations previously made under the head "Federal-aid airport program, Federal Airport Act," shall hereafter be merged with and accounted for under this head.

Federal-aid airport program, Federal Airport Act (liquidation of contract authorization): For liquidation of obligations incurred under authority heretofore granted under this head to enter into contracts, $7,500,000.

Maintenance and operation, Washington National Airport: For expenses incident to the care, operation, maintenance and protection of the Washington National Airport, including purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only; purchase, cleaning, and repair of uniforms; and arms and ammunition; $1,350,000.

Construction, Washington National Airport: For an additional amount for “Construction, Washington National Airport”, including construction, alterations, and repairs, $525,000, to remain available until expended.

Maintenance and operation of public airports, Territory of Alaska: For expenses necessary for the maintenance, improvement, and operation of public airports in the Territory of Alaska, as authorized by law (48 U. S. C. 485 c-h); including arms and ammunition; and purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms; $600,000.

Air navigation development: For expenses necessary for planning and developing a national system of aids to air navigation and air traffic control common to military and civil air navigation, including research, experimental investigations, purchase and development, by contract or otherwise, of new types of air navigation aids (including plans, specifications, and drawings); hire of aircraft; acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; payments in advance under contracts for research or development work; and not to exceed $175,000 for administrative expenses; $1,050,000.
Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Civil Aeronautics Board, including contract stenographic reporting services; employment of temporary guards on a contract or fee basis; salaries and traveling expenses of employees detailed to attend courses of training conducted by the Government or industries serving aviation; purchase (not to exceed two for replacement only) of passenger motor vehicles; and hire, operation, maintenance, and repair of aircraft; $4,125,000.

Payments to air carriers: For payments to air carriers of so much of the compensation fixed and determined by the Civil Aeronautics Board under section 406 of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended (49 U. S. C. 486), as is payable by the Civil Aeronautics Board pursuant to Reorganization Plan No. 10 of 1953; $62,500,000, to remain available until expended.

COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act of August 6, 1947 (33 U. S. C. 883a–883i), including purchase of not to exceed three passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; uniforms or allowances thereof, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); lease of sites and the erection of temporary buildings for tide, magnetic or seismological observations; hire of aircraft; operation, maintenance, and repair of an airplane; extra compensation at not to exceed $15 per month to each member of the crew of a vessel when assigned duties as recorder or instrument observer, and at not to exceed $1 per day for each station to employees of other Federal agencies while making oceanographic observations or tending seismographs; pay, allowances, gratuities, transportation of dependents and household effects, and payment of funeral expenses, as authorized by law, for not to exceed 185 commissioned officers on the active list; payments under the Uniform Services Contingency Option Act of 1953; and pay of commissioned officers retired in accordance with law; $10,225,000: Provided, That during the current fiscal year, this appropriation shall be reimbursed for press costs and costs of paper for charts published by the Coast and Geodetic Survey and furnished for the official use of the military departments of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS AND DEFENSE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Business and Defense Services Administration, including transportation and not to exceed $15 per diem in lieu of subsistence for persons serving without compensation while away from their homes or regular places of business, $6,198,000.

BUREAU OF FOREIGN COMMERCE

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Foreign Commerce, including the purchase of commercial and trade reports; $2,000,000.

Export control: For expenses necessary for carrying out the provisions of the Export Control Act of 1949, as amended, relating to export controls, including awards of compensation to informers under said Act and as authorized by the Act of August 13, 1953 (22 U. S. C. 401), $2,650,000, of which not to exceed $600,000 may be advanced to the Bureau of Customs, Treasury Department, for enforcement of the
export control program, and of which not to exceed $82,500 may be advanced to the appropriation for "Salaries and expenses" under the Office of the Secretary.

**Office of Business Economics**

**Salaries and expenses**: For necessary expenses of the Office of Business Economics, $900,000.

**Maritime Activities**

**Ship construction**: For construction as authorized by sections 701 and 702 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 U. S. C. 1191, 1192), of one prototype tanker; for payment of construction-differential subsidy and cost of national-defense features incident to construction of two passenger-cargo ships and not to exceed five cargo ships for replacement, and for payment of construction-differential subsidy and cost of national-defense features incident to the reconstruction and reconditioning of ships under title V of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 U. S. C. 1154); for reconditioning and betterment of one ship in the national-defense reserve fleet; for necessary expenses for the acquisition of used cargo ships and tankers pursuant to section 510 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 U. S. C. 1160), and the payment of cost of national-defense features incorporated in new tankers constructed to replace such used tankers; and for research, development, and design expenses incident to new and advanced ship design, machinery, and equipment; $86,450,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That transfers may be made to the appropriation for the current fiscal year for "Salaries and expenses" for administrative and warehouse expenses (not to exceed $1,000,000) and for reserve fleet expenses in such amounts as may be required, and any such transfers shall be without regard to the limitations under that appropriation on the amounts available for such expenses: Provided further, That appropriations granted herein shall be available to pay construction-differential subsidy granted by the Federal Maritime Board, pursuant to section 501 (c) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, to aid in the reconstruction of any Mariner-class ships sold under the provisions of title VII of the 1936 Act: Provided further, That all ship construction, reconditioning and betterment of vessels appropriated for herein shall be performed in shipyards in the continental United States: Provided further, That no funds contained in this Act may be used to commence construction, reconstruction, conversion, reconditioning or betterment of any vessel until the total Federal funds required to complete such work have been appropriated.

**Operating-differential subsidies**: For the payment of obligations incurred for operating-differential subsidies granted on or after January 1, 1947, as authorized by the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, and in appropriations heretofore made to the United States Maritime Commission, $110,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That to the extent that the operating-differential subsidy accrual (computed on the basis of parity) is represented on the operator's books by a contingent accounts receivable item against the United States as a partial or complete offset to the recapture accrual, the operator (1) shall be excused from making deposits in the special reserve fund, and (2) as to the amount of such earnings the deposit of which is so excused shall be entitled to the same tax treatment as though it had been deposited in said special reserve fund. To the extent that any amount paid to the operator by the United States reduces the balance in the operator's contingent receivable
account against the United States, such amount shall forthwith be deposited in the special reserve fund of the operator: Provided further, that no contracts shall be executed during the current fiscal year by the Federal Maritime Board which will obligate the Government to pay operating differential subsidy on more than one thousand nine hundred and fifty voyages in any one calendar year, including voyages covered by contracts in effect at the beginning of the current fiscal year, of which not less than one hundred and twelve shall be for operators who have not held contracts prior to July 1, 1955.

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for carrying into effect the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, and other laws administered by the Federal Maritime Board and the Maritime Administration, $14,550,000, within limitations as follows:

Administrative expenses, including not to exceed $1,125 for entertainment of officials of other countries when specifically authorized by the Maritime Administrator; and ship structure research, testing and models; $5,955,000;

Maintenance of shipyard facilities and operation of warehouses, $1,215,000;

Reserve fleet expenses, $7,180,000.

Maritime training: For training cadets as officers of the merchant marine at the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York, including pay and allowances for personnel of the United States Maritime Service as authorized by law (46 U. S. C. 1126, 63 Stat. 802, 64 Stat. 794, and 66 Stat. 79); not to exceed $2,500 for contingencies for the Superintendent, United States Merchant Marine Academy, to be expended in his discretion; purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only; and not to exceed $30,000 for transfer to applicable appropriations of the Public Health Service for services rendered the Maritime Administration; $2,085,000, including uniform and textbook allowances for cadet midshipmen, at an average yearly cost of not to exceed $200 per cadet: Provided, That except as herein provided for uniform and textbook allowances this appropriation shall not be used for compensation or allowances for cadets.

State marine schools: To reimburse the State of California, $47,500; the State of Maine, $47,500; the State of Massachusetts, $47,500; and the State of New York, $47,500; for expenses incurred in the maintenance and support of marine schools in such States as provided in the Act authorizing the establishment of marine schools, and so forth, approved March 4, 1911, as amended (34 U. S. C. 1121-1123); $149,800 for the maintenance and repair of vessels loaned by the United States to the said States for use in connection with such State marine schools; and $660,000 for allowances for uniforms, textbooks, and subsistence of cadets at State marine schools, to be paid in accordance with regulations established pursuant to law (46 U. S. C. 1126 (b)); $860,000.

Repair of reserve fleet vessels (liquidation of contract authorization): For the payment of obligations incurred pursuant to authority granted under the “Emergency Ship Repair Act of 1954”, $6,000,000: Provided, That advances may be made from this appropriation to “Salaries and expenses, maritime activities”, for administrative expenses (not to exceed $150,000), and for reserve fleet expenses (in such amounts as may be required), and such advances shall be in addition to amounts otherwise made available for such expenses.

War Shipping Administration liquidation: Not to exceed $5,900,000 of the unexpended balance of the appropriation to the Secretary of the Treasury in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1948, for liquidation of obligations approved by the General Accounting Office as properly incurred against funds of the War Shipping Administration prior to January 1, 1947, is hereby continued available
during the current fiscal year, and shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred against the working fund titled: "Working fund, Commerce, War Shipping Administration functions, December 31, 1946".

No additional vessels shall be allocated under charter, nor shall any vessel be continued under charter by reason of any extension of chartering authority beyond June 30, 1949, unless the charterer shall agree that the Maritime Administration shall have no obligation upon redeelivery to accept or pay for consumable stores, bunkers and slop-chest items, except with respect to such minimum amounts of bunkers as the Maritime Administration considers advisable to be retained on the vessel and that prior to such redeelivery all consumable stores, slop-chest items and bunkers over and above such minimums shall be removed from the vessel by the charterer at his own expense.

No money made available to the Department of Commerce, for maritime activities, by this or any other Act shall be used in payment for a vessel the title to which is acquired by the Government either by requisition or purchase, or the use of which is taken either by requisition or agreement, or which is insured by the Government and lost while so insured, unless the price or hire to be paid therefor (except in cases where section 802 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, is applicable) is computed in accordance with subsection 902 (a) of said Act, as that subsection is interpreted by the General Accounting Office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Maritime Administration is authorized to furnish utilities and services and make necessary repairs in connection with any lease, contract, or occupancy involving Government property under control of the Maritime Administration, and payments received by the Maritime Administration for utilities, services, and repairs so furnished or made shall be credited to the appropriation charged with the cost thereof: Provided, That rental payments under any such lease, contract, or occupancy on account of items other than such utilities, services, or repairs shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

No obligations shall be incurred during the current fiscal year from the construction fund established by the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, or otherwise, in excess of the appropriations and limitations contained in this Act, or in any prior appropriation Act, and all receipts which otherwise would be deposited to the credit of said fund shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

Vessel operations revolving fund: Hereafter the vessel operations revolving fund, created by the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1951, shall be available for necessary expenses incurred in connection with protection, preservation, maintenance, acquisition, or use of vessels involved in mortgage-foreclosure or forfeiture proceedings instituted by the United States, including payment of prior claims and liens, expenses of sale, or other charges incident thereto; for necessary expenses incident to the redeelivery and lay-up, in the United States, of ships now chartered under agreements which do not call for their return to the United States; and for payment of expenses of custody and husbanding of Government-owned ships other than those within reserve fleets: Provided, That not to exceed $1,500,000 of the funds of the vessel operations revolving fund may be used during the fiscal year 1956 for the purposes set forth in this paragraph.

Inland Waterways Corporation (administered under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Commerce): Not to exceed $14,000 shall be available for administrative expenses to be determined in the manner set forth under the title "General expenses" in the Uniform System of Accounts for Carriers by Water of the Interstate Commerce Commission (effective January 1, 1947).
Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Patent Office, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates for individuals not to exceed $75 per diem (not to exceed $25,000); and defense of suits instituted against the Commissioner of Patents; $14,000,000.

Bureau of Public Roads

General administrative expenses: Necessary expenses of administration, including advertising (including advertising in the city of Washington for work to be performed in areas adjacent thereto), purchase of seventy-five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, and the maintenance and repairs of experimental highways, shall be paid, in accordance with law, from appropriations available to the Bureau of Public Roads.

Of the total amount available from appropriations of the Bureau of Public Roads for general administrative expenses, pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the Act of November 9, 1921, as amended (23 U. S. C. 21), $100,000 shall be available for all necessary expenses to enable the President to utilize the services of the Bureau of Public Roads in fulfilling the obligations of the United States under the Convention on the Pan-American Highway Between the United States and Other American Republics (51 Stat. 152), cooperation with several governments, members of the Pan American Union, in connection with the survey and construction of the Inter-American Highway, and for performing engineering service in Pan-American countries for and upon the request of any agency or governmental corporation of the United States.

Federal-aid highways: For carrying out the provisions of the Act of July 11, 1916, as amended and supplemented (23 U. S. C. 1-22, 24-105, 107-117), to remain available until expended, $640,000,000, which sum is composed of $843,500,000, the balance of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1954, $288,500,000, a part of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1955, and $163,336, $75,915, $1,695,797, and $1,401,457, the latter sums being for reimbursement of the sums expended for the repair or reconstruction of highways and bridges which have been damaged or destroyed by floods, hurricanes, or landslides, as provided by section 4 of the Act approved June 8, 1938, section 7 of the Act approved July 13, 1943, and section 9 of the Act approved September 7, 1950, as amended (23 U. S. C. 13a and 13b) and section 7 of the Act approved June 25, 1952, and $4,663,495 for reimbursement of the sums expended for the design and construction of highway bridges upon and across dams in accordance with the Act of July 28, 1946 (60 Stat. 709).

Forest highways: For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for carrying out the provisions of section 23 of the Federal Highway Act of November 9, 1921, as amended (23 U. S. C. 23, 25a), to remain available until expended, $21,750,000, which sum is composed of $19,000,000, the remainder of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1955, and $2,750,000, a part of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1956: Provided, That this appropriation shall be available for the rental, purchase, construction, or alteration of buildings and sites necessary for the storage and repair of equipment and supplies used for road construction and maintenance, but the total cost of any such item under this authorization shall not exceed $15,000.
Inter-American Highway: For necessary expenses of continuing the survey and construction of the Inter-American Highway, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of December 26, 1941 (55 Stat. 860), as amended by section 6 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1952 (66 Stat. 158), including purchase of five passenger motor vehicles, $25,250,000; to remain available until expended.

Public lands highways (liquidation of contract authorization): For payment of obligations incurred pursuant to the contract authorization granted by section 6 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 73), to remain available until expended, $2,000,000, which sum is composed of $1,625,000, the remainder of the amount authorized for fiscal year 1955, and $375,000, a part of the amount authorized for fiscal year 1956.

General provisions—Bureau of Public Roads: None of the money appropriated for the work of the Bureau of Public Roads during the current fiscal year shall be paid to any State on account of any project on which convict labor shall be employed, but this provision shall not apply to labor performed by convicts on parole or probation.

During the current fiscal year authorized engineering or other services in connection with the survey, construction, and maintenance, or improvement of roads may be performed for other Government agencies, cooperating foreign countries, and State cooperating agencies, and reimbursement for such services (which may include depreciation on engineering and road-building equipment used) shall be credited to the appropriation concerned.

During the current fiscal year appropriations for the work of the Bureau of Public Roads shall be available for expenses of warehouse maintenance and the procurement, care, and handling of supplies, materials, and equipment for distribution to projects under the supervision of the Bureau of Public Roads, or for sale or distribution to other Government activities, cooperating foreign countries, and State cooperating agencies, and the cost of such supplies and materials or the value of such equipment (including the cost of transportation and handling) may be reimbursed to current applicable appropriations.

Appropriations to the Bureau of Public Roads may be used in emergency for medical supplies and services and other assistance necessary for the immediate relief of employees engaged on hazardous work under that Bureau, and for temporary services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates for individuals not in excess of $100 per diem.

Reductions in Contract Authorizations

Bureau of Public Roads: The unobligated balances of contract authorizations provided in section 4 of the Act approved June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 634), and section 9 of the Act approved September 7, 1950 (64 Stat. 789), as amended by the Act approved October 15, 1951 (65 Stat. 421), are hereby canceled.

The authorization in section 3 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1952 for forest highways for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, is hereby reduced by the sum of $15,800,000.

National Bureau of Standards

Expenses: For expenses necessary in performing the functions authorized by the Act of March 3, 1901, as amended (15 U. S. C. 271-278c), including general administration; operation, maintenance, alteration, and protection of grounds and facilities; and improvement and construction of temporary or special facilities as authorized by

Plant and equipment: For construction of a pilot electronic data-processing device to be used in the performance of functions authorized by the Act of March 3, 1901, as amended (15 U. S. C. 271-278c); repair of mechanical facilities; and expenses incurred, as authorized by section 2 of the Act of July 21, 1950 (15 U. S. C. 286), in the construction or improvement of buildings, grounds, and other facilities; and construction of an electronic calibration center at a cost not to exceed $765,000; $995,000, to remain available until expended.

WEATHER BUREAU

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Weather Bureau, including maintenance and operation of aircraft; purchase of five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; not to exceed $25,000 for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); and not to exceed $10,000, for maintenance of a printing office in the city of Washington, as authorized by law; $32,000,000 of which $4,250,000 shall be available only for the improvement and operation of hurricane, severe storm, and tornado warning services in the United States, including research related thereto, and construction of necessary facilities: Provided, That during the current fiscal year, the maximum amount authorized under section 3 (a) of the Act of June 2, 1948 (15 U. S. C. 327), for extra compensation to employees of other Government agencies for taking and transmitting meteorological observations, shall be $3 per day; and the maximum base rate of pay authorized under section 3 (b) of said Act, for employees conducting meteorological investigations in the Arctic region, shall be $6,000 per annum, except that not more than five of such employees at any one time may receive a base rate of $5,500 per annum, and such employees may be appointed without regard to the Classification Act of 1949.

Establishment of meteorological facilities: For the acquisition, establishment, and relocation of meteorological observing facilities and related equipment, including the alteration and modernization of existing facilities; $7,500,000, to remain available until June 30, 1959.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Sec. 102. During the current fiscal year applicable appropriations and funds available to the Department of Commerce shall be available for the activities specified in the Act of October 26, 1949 (5 U. S. C. 596a), to the extent and in the manner prescribed by said Act.

Sec. 103. Appropriations in this title available for salaries and expenses shall be available for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the activities for which the appropriations are made; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but, unless otherwise specified, at rates for individuals not to exceed $60 per diem.

Sec. 104. Hereafter the position of Budget Officer of the Department shall be in GS-17 of the General Schedule established by the Classification Act of 1949 so long as the position is held by the present incumbent.
Operating expenses: For operating expenses necessary for the Canal Zone Government, including operation of the Postal Service of the Canal Zone; hire of passenger motor vehicles; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); expenses incident to conducting hearings on the Isthmus; expenses of attendance at meetings, when authorized by the Governor of the Canal Zone, of organizations concerned with activities pertaining to the Canal Zone Government; expenses of special training of employees of the Canal Zone Government as authorized by law (63 Stat. 602); contingencies of the Governor; residence for the Governor; medical aid and support of the insane and of lepers and aid and support of indigent persons legally within the Canal Zone, including expenses of their deportation when practicable; and payments of not to exceed $50 in any one case to persons within the Government service who shall furnish blood for transfusions; $14,500,000.

Capital outlay: For acquisition of land and land under water and acquisition, construction, and replacement of improvements, facilities, structures, and equipment, as authorized by law (63 Stat. 600 and 48 U.S.C. 1302), including the purchase of not to exceed eight passenger motor vehicles (for replacement only); and expenses incident to the retirement of such assets; $1,800,000, to remain available until expended.

PANAMA CANAL COMPANY

The following corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to it and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the Budget for the fiscal year 1956 for such corporation, except as hereinafter provided:

Not to exceed $3,740,000 of the funds available to the Panama Canal Company shall be available during the current fiscal year for general and administrative expenses of the Company, which shall be available on an accrual basis: Provided, That as used herein, the term “general and administrative expenses” shall not be construed to include expenses otherwise classified in the preceding fiscal year: Provided further, That funds available for operating expenses shall be available for the purchase of not to exceed ten passenger motor vehicles (for replacement only), and for uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114).

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THE PANAMA CANAL

SEC. 202. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used directly or indirectly, except for temporary employment in case of emergency, for the payment of any civilian for services rendered by him on the Canal Zone while occupying a skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory position unless such person is a citizen of the United States of America or of the Republic of Panama: Provided, however, (1) That, notwithstanding the provision in the Act approved August 11, 1939 (53 Stat. 1409) limiting employment in the above-mentioned positions to citizens of the United States from and after the date of approval of said Act, citizens of Panama may be employed in such positions; (2) that at no time shall...
the number of Panamanian citizens employed in the above-mentioned positions exceed the number of citizens of the United States so employed, if United States citizens are available in continental United States or on the Canal Zone; (3) that nothing in this Act shall prohibit the continued employment of any person who shall have rendered fifteen or more years of faithful and honorable service on the Canal Zone; (4) that in the selection of personnel for skilled, technical, administrative, clerical, supervisory, or executive positions, the controlling factors in filling these positions shall be efficiency, experience, training, and education; (5) that all citizens of Panama and the United States rendering skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory service on the Canal Zone under the terms of this Act (a) shall normally be employed not more than forty hours per week, (b) may receive as compensation equal rates of pay based upon rates paid for similar employment in continental United States plus 25 per centum; (6) this entire section shall apply only to persons employed in skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory positions on the Canal Zone directly or indirectly by any branch of the United States Government or by any corporation or company whose stock is owned wholly or in part by the United States Government: Provided further, That the President may suspend from time to time in whole or in part compliance with this section if he should deem such course to be in the public interest.

SEC. 203. The Governor of the Canal Zone is authorized to employ services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), in an amount not exceeding $15,000: Provided, That the rates for individuals shall not exceed $100 per diem.

SEC. 204. There are hereafter authorized to be transferred between departments and agencies, with or without exchange of funds, all or so much of the facilities, buildings, structures, improvements, stock and equipment, of their activities located in the Canal Zone, as may be mutually agreed upon by the agencies involved and approved by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, in the interest of elimination of duplicate activities and related facilities: Provided, That with respect to such transfers without exchange of funds (1) transfers to or from the Panama Canal Company shall be subject to the provisions of section 246 of title 2 of the Canal Zone Code, as added by the Act of June 29, 1948 (ch. 706, sec. 2, 62 Stat. 1076); and (2) transfers to or from the Canal Zone Government shall be at such appropriate amount as shall be agreed upon between the Canal Zone Government and the agencies concerned and approved by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, and in the determination thereof due consideration shall be given to the cost of the transferred assets, or usable value to the transferee if clearly less than cost, and adequate provision made for depreciation of properties and equipment, obsolete or otherwise unusable inventories, and other reasonably determinable shrinkages in values; and such amount shall be added to or deducted from the investment of the United States in the Canal Zone Government as applicable.

SEC. 205. The Governor of the Canal Zone and the President of the Panama Canal Company, in computing allowances for the cost of travel on home leave for persons who elect at their expense to take other than the lowest first-class travel to the United States, shall take into account as the cost to the United States the actual cost, as computed by the General Accounting Office, of travel by United States owned and operated vessels rather than a reduced fare rate which is available for such employees when traveling on their own account.

SEC. 206. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Officer of the Army now serving as Governor of the Canal Zone shall, effective upon the day preceding his retirement, be considered to hold
the grade of major general for all purposes, without regard to any limitations on the number of officers in that grade, and shall receive the pay and allowances of an officer of that grade and his length of service, and when retired under any provision of law shall be advanced on the retired list to such grade and shall receive the retired or retirement pay at the rate prescribed by law computed on the basis of the basic pay which he would receive if serving on active duty in such grade.

TITLE III—INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON WEATHER CONTROL

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Advisory Committee on Weather Control, established by the Act of August 18, 1933 (67 Stat. 559), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $275,000.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Not to exceed $280,000 shall be available for administrative expenses which shall be computed on an accrual basis: Provided, That said funds shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates for individuals not to exceed $100 per day.

TARIFF COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Tariff Commission, including subscriptions to newspapers (not to exceed $200), not to exceed $17,000 for expenses of travel, and contract stenographic reporting services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $1,400,000: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay the salary of any member of the Tariff Commission who shall hereafter participate in any proceedings under sections 336, 337, and 338 of the Tariff Act of 1930, wherein he or any member of his family has any special, direct, and pecuniary interest, or in which he has acted as attorney or special representative: Provided further, That no part of the foregoing appropriation shall be used for making any special study, investigation or report at the request of any other agency of the executive branch of the Government unless reimbursement is made for the cost thereof.

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or vio-
Penalty.

Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

SEC. 402. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes not heretofore authorized by the Congress.

SEC. 403. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay any expenses incident to or in connection with participation in the International Materials Conference.

This Act may be cited as the "Department of Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1956".

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 122

AN ACT

To continue the effectiveness of the Missing Persons Act, as extended, until July 1, 1956.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That section 15, Missing Persons Act (56 Stat. 147, 1093), as amended, is further amended by deleting "July 1, 1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "July 1, 1956".

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 123

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1956, providing for increased pay costs for the fiscal year 1955, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and out of applicable corporate or other revenues, receipts, and funds, for the several departments, agencies, corporations, and other organizational units in each branch of the Government, namely:

TITLE I

TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

(a) (1) Such amounts as may be necessary (plus increased pay costs pursuant to law) for continuing projects or activities which were conducted in the fiscal year 1955, and for which appropriations, funds, or other authority would be made available in the following appropriation Acts for the fiscal year 1956:
Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies Appropriation Act;
Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies Appropriation Act;
Public Works Appropriation Act;
(2) Appropriations made by this subsection shall be available to the extent and in the manner which would be provided for by the pertinent appropriation Act.
(3) Whenever the amount which would be made available or the authority which would be granted under an Act listed in this subsection as passed by the House is different from that which would be made available or granted under such Act as passed by the Senate, the pertinent project or activity shall be continued under the lesser amount or the more restrictive authority.
(4) Whenever an Act listed in this subsection has been passed by only one House or where an item is included in only one version of an Act as passed by both Houses, the pertinent project or activity shall be continued under the appropriation, funds, or authority granted by the one House, but at a rate for operations not exceeding the current rate or the rate permitted by the action of the one House, whichever is lower.
(b) Such amounts as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities which were conducted in the fiscal year 1955 and listed in this subsection (1) at a rate for operations not in excess of the current rate or the rate provided for in the budget estimate, whichever is lower, plus increased pay costs pursuant to law, or (2) in the amount or at the rate specified herein:
Legislative branch;
Funds appropriated to the President, Emergency fund for international affairs;
President's Commission on Veterans Pensions;
Export-Import Bank of Washington;
Small Business Administration;
Federal Civil Defense Administration, Civil defense functions of Federal agencies (Department of Health, Education, and Welfare functions only);
Department of Agriculture, Agricultural conservation program service (wind-erosion control);
Department of Defense, Government and relief in occupied areas;
Department of the Interior, Bureau of Mines, Conservation and development of mineral resources (Rifle, Colorado); Fish and Wildlife Service, Investigation of resources (International Convention for High Seas Fisheries);
Mutual Security programs, $200,000,000, to be expended in accord with provisions of law applicable to such programs during the fiscal year 1955 and at a rate for any individual program not in excess of the current rate therefor: Provided, That administrative expenses for such programs shall not exceed the current rate.
Sec. 102. Appropriations and funds made available and authority granted pursuant to this title shall remain available until (a) enactment into law of an appropriation for any project or activity provided for in this title, or (b) enactment of the applicable appropriation Act by both Houses without any provision for such project or activity, or (c) July 31, 1955, whichever first occurs.
Sec. 103. Appropriations and funds made available and authority granted pursuant to this title may be used without regard to the time limitations set forth in subsection (d) (2) of section 3679, Revised Statutes, and expenditures therefrom shall be charged to the applicable appropriation, fund, or authorization whenever a bill in which

64 Stat. 765, 31 USC 665.
such applicable appropriation, fund, or authorization is contained
is enacted into law.

Sec. 104. No appropriation or fund made available or authority
granted pursuant to this title shall be used to initiate or resume any
project or activity which was not being conducted during the fiscal
year 1955. Appropriations made and authority granted pursuant to
this title shall cover all obligations or expenditures incurred for any
project or activity during the period for which funds or authority for
such project or activity are available under this title.

TITLE II

INCREASED PAY COSTS

For costs in the fiscal year 1955 of pay increases granted by or pur-
suant to Public Laws 68 and 94, Eighty-fourth Congress, for any
branch of the Federal Government or the municipal government of the
District of Columbia, such amounts as may be necessary, to be deter-
minded and made available as hereinafter provided in this title, but no
appropriation, fund, or authorization may be increased pursuant to
the provisions of this title in an amount in excess of the cost to such
appropriation, fund, or authorization of increased compensation pur-
suant to Public Laws 68 and 94, Eighty-fourth Congress.

Sec. 202. Any officer having administrative control of an appropria-
tion, fund, or authorization properly chargeable with the costs in the
fiscal year 1955 of pay increases granted by or pursuant to Public Laws
68 and 94, Eighty-fourth Congress, is authorized to transfer thereto,
from the unobligated balance of any other appropriation, fund, or
authorization under his administrative control and expiring for obliga-
tion on June 30, 1955, such amounts as may be necessary for meeting
such costs.

Sec. 203. Whenever any officer referred to in section 202 of this title
shall determine that he has exhausted the possibilities of meeting the
cost of pay increases through the use of transfers as authorized by said
section, he shall certify the additional amount required to meet such
costs for each appropriation, fund, or authorization under his admin-
istrative control, and the amounts so certified shall be added to the
pertinent appropriation, fund, or authorization for the fiscal year
1955: Provided, That any transfer under the authority of section 202
or any certification made under the authority of this section by an
officer in or under the executive branch of the Federal Government
shall be valid only when approved by the Director of the Bureau of
the Budget.

Sec. 204. For the purposes of the transfers and certifications author-
dized by sections 202 and 203 of this title, the following officers shall be
deemed to have administrative control of appropriations, funds, or
authorizations available within their respective organizational
units—

(a) For the legislative branch:
The Clerk of the House;
The Secretary of the Senate;
The Librarian of Congress;
The Architect of the Capitol;
The Public Printer;
The Comptroller General of the United States;
The Chairman of any commission in or under the legislative branch.
(b) For the judiciary:
The Administrative Officer of the United States Courts.
(c) For the executive branch:
The head of each department, agency, or corporation in or under
the executive branch.
(d) For the municipal government of the District of Columbia:
The Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia.
Sec. 205. Obligations or expenditures incurred for costs in the fiscal
year 1955 of pay increases granted by or pursuant to Public Laws 68
and 94, Eighty-fourth Congress, shall not be regarded or reported as
violations of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31
Sec. 206. (a) Amounts made available by this title shall be derived
from the same source as the appropriation, fund, or authorization to
which such amounts are added.
(b) Appropriations made by, and transfers made pursuant to this
title shall be recorded on the books of the Government as of June 30,
1955: Provided, That no appropriation made by this title shall be
warranted, and no transfer authorized by this title shall be made,
after August 15, 1955.
(c) A complete report of the appropriations and transfers made by
or pursuant to this title shall be made, not later than September 15,
1955, by the officers described in section 204, to the Director of the
Bureau of the Budget, who shall compile and transmit to the Congress
a consolidated report not later than October 15, 1955.
Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 124
AN ACT
To extend for one year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled
"An Act to provide for a temporary increase in the public debt limit",
approved August 28, 1954 (31 U. S. C., sec. 757b), is hereby amended
by striking out "June 30, 1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "June
30, 1956".
Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 125
AN ACT
To continue the effectiveness of the Act of December 2, 1942, as amended, and the
Act of July 28, 1945, as amended, relating to war-risk hazard and detention
benefits until July 1, 1956.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 201 of
the Act of December 2, 1942 (ch. 668, 56 Stat. 1033), as amended, is
further amended by deleting the words "July 1, 1955" and inserting in
lieu thereof "July 1, 1956".
Sec. 2, Section 8 (b) of the Act of July 28, 1945 (ch. 328, 59 Stat.
505), as amended, is further amended by deleting the words "July 1,
1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "July 1, 1956".
Approved June 30, 1955.
Public Law 126

AN ACT

Relating to the free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the Act of June 27, 1942, entitled “An Act to exempt from duty personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders”, as amended (U. S. C., title 50 App., secs. 801 and 802), is hereby amended to read as follows: “That under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with such agencies as he shall consider to be substantially interested, the personal and household effects (with such limitation on the importation of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products as the Secretary may prescribe) of any person in the service of the United States who returns to the United States upon the termination of assignment to extended duty (as defined in the above-authorized regulations) at a post or station outside the customs territory of the United States, or of returning members of his family who have resided with him at such post or station, or of any person evacuated to the United States under Government orders or instructions, may be brought into customs territory of the United States without the payment of any duty or tax imposed upon, or by reason of, importation.”

(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall be effective with respect to articles entered for consumption or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on or after July 1, 1955, and before July 1, 1958.

SEC. 2. (a) The following provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, are hereby amended by inserting “Johnston Island,” immediately after “Kingman Reef,” each place it appears therein:

1. That part of section 1 which precedes schedule 1 (19 U. S. C., sec. 1001).
2. That part of section 201 which precedes schedule 16 (19 U. S. C., sec. 1201).
3. Section 401 (k) (19 U. S. C., sec. 1401 (k)).
4. Section 557 (a) (19 U. S. C., sec. 1557 (a)).

(b) Section 401 (a) of the Anti-Smuggling Act, as amended (19 U. S. C., sec. 1709 (a)), is hereby amended by inserting “Johnston Island,” immediately after “Kingman Reef.”

(c) Sections 542, 544, and 545 of title 18 of the United States Code are hereby amended by inserting “Johnston Island,” immediately after “Kingman Reef” each place it appears therein.

(d) The amendments made by this section shall take effect on the day following the day on which this Act is enacted.

Approved June 30, 1955.

Public Law 127

AN ACT

To increase the public benefits from the National Park System by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the purpose of this Act shall be to increase the public benefits from museums
established within the individual areas administered by the Secretary of the Interior through the National Park Service as a means of informing the public concerning the areas and preserving valuable objects and relics relating thereto. The Secretary of the Interior, notwithstanding other provisions or limitations of law, may perform the following functions in such manner as he shall consider to be in the public interest:

(a) Accept donations and bequests of money or other personal property, and hold, use, expend, and administer the same for purposes of this Act;

(b) Purchase from such donations and bequests of money museum objects, museum collections, and other personal properties at prices he considers to be reasonable;

(c) Make exchanges by accepting museum objects, museum collections, and other personal properties, and by granting in exchange therefor museum property under the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary which is no longer needed or which may be held in duplicate among the museum properties administered by the Secretary, such exchanges to be consummated on a basis which the Secretary considers to be equitable and in the public interest;

(d) Accept the loan of museum objects, museum collections, and other personal properties and pay transportation costs incidental thereto, such loans to be accepted upon terms and conditions which he shall consider necessary; and

(e) Loan to responsible public or private organizations, institutions, or agencies, without cost to the United States, such museum objects, museum collections, and other personal property as he shall consider advisable, such loans to be made upon terms and conditions which he shall consider necessary to protect the public interest in such properties.

Approved July 1, 1955.

Public Law 128

CHAPTER 260

AN ACT

Creating a Federal commission to formulate plans for the construction in the District of Columbia of a civic auditorium, including an Inaugural Hall of Presidents and a music, fine arts, and mass communications center.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) there is hereby established a commission to be known as the "District of Columbia Auditorium Commission" (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") for the purpose of formulating plans for the design, location, financing, and construction in the District of Columbia of a civic auditorium, including an Inaugural Hall of Presidents and a music, fine arts, and mass communications center.

(b) The Commission shall be composed of twenty-one members appointed as follows:

(1) Seven persons appointed by the President of the United States;
(2) Seven persons appointed by the President of the Senate; and
(3) Seven persons appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(c) The Commission shall—

(1) consider a suitable site for the civic auditorium referred to in subsection (a);

(2) procure such plans and designs and make such surveys and estimates of the cost thereof as it deems advisable;
(3) endeavor particularly to formulate a method of financing the project on a self-liquidating basis; and
(4) make a report to the President and to the Congress, together with its recommendations, by February 1, 1956.

(d) The Commission is authorized to accept in its discretion from any source, public or private, money and property to be used in carrying out its functions under this Act.

(e) The Commission is authorized to avail itself of the assistance and advice of the Commission of Fine Arts, the National Capital Planning Commission, the National Capital Regional Planning Council, the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, the District of Columbia Recreation Board, and the District of Columbia Redevelopment Land Agency, which shall upon request render such assistance and advice.

Sec. 2. (a) The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation; but travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in connection with the work of the Commission may be paid from any funds available for expenditure by the Commission.

(b) The Commission is authorized, within the limits of funds available to it, to employ and fix the compensation of such officers, experts, and other employees as may be necessary to carry out its functions, and to make such other expenditures as it may deem advisable in carrying out its functions.

Sec. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, not to exceed $25,000, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved July 1, 1955.

Public Law 129

AN ACT

To authorize certain sums to be appropriated immediately for the completion of the construction of the Inter-American Highway.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum authorized in section 7 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 70) for the Inter-American Highway for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1957, 1958, and 1959, is hereby authorized for appropriation immediately, to be available until expended, and the additional sum of $25,730,000 is hereby authorized for appropriation immediately, to be available until expended, for the purposes of and in accordance with the provisions of said section 7.

Approved July 1, 1955.

Public Law 130

AN ACT

To provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That irrigation distribution systems authorized to be constructed under the Federal reclamation laws may, in lieu of construction by the Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this Act as the “Secretary”), be constructed by irrigation districts or other public agencies according to plans and specifications approved by the Secretary as provided in this Act.
Sec. 2. To assist financially in the construction of the aforesaid local irrigation distribution systems by irrigation districts and other public agencies the Secretary is authorized, on application therefor by such irrigation districts or other public agencies, to make funds available on a loan basis from moneys appropriated for the construction of such distribution systems to any irrigation district or other public agency in an amount equal to the estimated construction cost of such system, contingent upon a finding by the Secretary that the loan can be returned to the United States in accordance with the general repayment provisions of sections 2 (d) and 9 (d) of the Reclamation Project Act of August 4, 1939, and upon a showing that such district or agency already holds or can acquire all lands and interests in land (except public and other lands or interests in land owned by the United States which are within the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary and subject to disposition by him) necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the project. The Secretary shall, upon approval of the loan, enter into a repayment contract which includes such provisions as the Secretary shall deem necessary and proper to provide assurance of prompt repayment of the loan. The term “irrigation district or other public agency” shall for the purposes of this Act mean any conservancy district, irrigation district, water users’ organization, or other organization, which is organized under State law and which has capacity to enter into contracts with the United States pursuant to the Federal reclamation laws.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall require as a condition to any such loan, that the water users’ organization contribute in money or materials, labor, lands, or interests in land, computed at their reasonable value, a portion, not in excess of ten per centum, of the construction cost of such project (including all costs of acquiring lands, and interests in land), and that the plans for the distribution system are in accord with sound engineering practices and will achieve the purposes for which the system was authorized. Organizations contracting for repayment of the loans shall operate and maintain such works in conformity with reasonable contractual requirements determined to be appropriate for the protection of the United States, and when full repayment has been made to the United States, the Secretary shall relinquish all claims under said contracts. Title to distribution works constructed pursuant to this Act shall at all times be in the contracting water users’ organizations. In addition to any other authority the Secretary may have to grant rights-of-way, easements, flowage rights, or other interests in lands for project purposes, the Secretary or the head of any other executive department may sell and convey to any irrigation district or other public agency at fair value lands and rights-of-way owned by the United States (other than lands being administered for national park, national monument, or wildlife purposes) which are reasonably necessary to the construction, operation, and maintenance of an irrigation distribution system under the provisions of this Act. No benefits or privileges under reclamation laws including repayment provisions shall be denied an irrigation distribution system because such system has been constructed pursuant to this Act. The provisions of this Act shall apply only to irrigation purposes, including incidental domestic and stock water, and loans hereunder shall be interest free. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal or limit the procedural and substantive requirements of section 8 of the Act of June 17, 1902.

Sec. 4. Except as herein otherwise provided, the provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, and Acts amendatory thereto, are continued in full force and effect.

Approved July 4, 1955.
Public Law 131—July 5, 1955

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

FEDERAL PAYMENT TO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there are appropriated for the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, out of (1) the general fund of the District of Columbia (unless otherwise herein specifically provided), hereinafter known as the general fund, such fund being composed of the revenues of the District of Columbia other than those applied by law to special funds, and $18,000,000, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1955, and of which $6,250,000 shall be available for capital outlay only), (2) the highway fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D. C. Code, title 47, ch. 19), (3) the water fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D. C. Code, title 43, ch. 15), and $1,302,000, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1955), (4) the sanitary sewage works fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (Public Law 364, 83d Congress), and $590,700, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1955), and (5) the motor vehicle parking fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D. C. Code, title 40, ch. 8), sums as follows:

OPERATING EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the offices and agencies named under this general head:

Executive Office

Executive office, plus so much as may be necessary to compensate the Engineer Commissioner at a rate equal to each civilian member of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, hereafter in this Act referred to as the Commissioners; compensation and expenses of members of the Apprenticeship Council and the Redevelopment Land Agency; aid in support of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; general advertising in newspapers (including the District of Columbia Register) and legal periodicals in the District of Columbia but not elsewhere, unless the need for advertising outside the District of Columbia shall have been specifically approved by the Commissioners, including notices of public hearings, publication of orders and regulations, tax and school notices, and notices of changes in regulations; expenses of Youth Council and Board of Appeals and Review; ceremony expenses; carrying out a comprehensive program for urban renewal and slum clearance, by contract or otherwise, as may be determined by the Commissioners; and expenses in case of emergency, such as riot, pestilence, public insanitary conditions, flood, fire, or storm, and for expenses of investigations; $308,000: Provided, That the certificate of the Commissioners shall be sufficient voucher for the expenditure of $1,500 of this appropriation for such purposes, exclusive of ceremony expenses, as they may deem necessary.
Department of General Administration

Department of General Administration, including the rental of postage meters and affiliation with the National Safety Council, Incorporated, $83,081,850, of which $60,000 shall be payable from the highway fund, $15,000 from the water fund, $2,950 from the sanitary sewage works fund, and $800 from the motor vehicle parking fund: Provided, That this appropriation shall be available for advertising, for not more than once a week for two weeks in the regular issue of one newspaper published in the District of Columbia, the list of all taxes on real property and all special assessments, together with penalties and costs, in arrears, the cost of such advertising to be reimbursed to the general fund by a charge to be fixed annually by the Commissioners for each lot or piece of property advertised: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for refunding, wholly or in part, school tuition, lost library books, building permits, cigarette and alcoholic beverage tax stamps, occupational and professional fees which have not been earned, and other payments which have been erroneously made during the present and past three years.

Office of Corporation Counsel

Office of the Corporation Counsel, including extra compensation for the corporation counsel as general counsel of the Public Utilities Commission; $10,000 for the settlement of claims not in excess of $250 each in accordance with the Act of February 11, 1929 (45 Stat. 1160), as amended by the Act of June 5, 1930 (46 Stat. 500); and judicial expenses, including witness fees and expert services, in District of Columbia cases before the courts of the United States and of the District of Columbia; $442,900, of which $20,000 shall be payable from the highway fund.

Compensation and Retirement Fund Expenses

Compensation and retirement fund expenses, including District government employees' compensation; administrative expenses, workmen's compensation, to be transferred to the Bureau of Employees' Compensation for administration of the law providing compensation for disability or death resulting from injury to employees in certain employments in the District of Columbia; unemployment compensation for District government employees; financing the liability of the government of the District of Columbia to the "Civil service retirement and disability fund" and the "Teachers' retirement and annuity fund"; and relief and other allowances as authorized by law for policemen and firemen; $10,636,000, of which $2,640,000, including $211,400 payable from the highway fund, $108,300 from the water fund, and $4,500 from the motor vehicle parking fund, shall be placed to the credit of the "Civil service retirement and disability fund": Provided, That $260,000 for District government employees' compensation shall remain available until expended.

Regulatory Agencies

Regulatory agencies, including juror fees, repairs to the morgue, and uniforms and caps for guards and morgue employees, $967,000.
DEPARTMENT OF OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS

Department of Occupations and Professions, including compensation at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners of three members of the Board of Accountancy, five members of the Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects, two members of the Board of Barber Examiners, three members of the Board of Cosmetology, five members of the Board of Dental Examiners, five members of the Board of Examiners in Basic Sciences, five members of the Board of Examiners in Medicine and Osteopathy, five members of the Board of Registration of Professional Engineers, five members of the Nurses' Examining Board, five members of the Board of Optometry, five members of the Board of Pharmacy, three members of the Board of Podiatry Examiners, two members of the Real Estate Commission, five members of the Board of Examiners of Veterinarians, two members of the District Boxing Commission, four members of the Electrical Examining Board, two members of the Plumbing Board, two members of the Board of Examiners of Steam and Other Operating Engineers, one member of the Motion Picture Operators' Examining Board, and five members of the Undertakers' Examining Committee, $248,500.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Public schools, for the administration of and supervision and instruction in the public school system of the District of Columbia, including the education of foreigners of all ages in the Americanization schools; not to exceed $65,000 for the purchase, cleaning, and repair of athletic apparel and accessories; subsistence supplies for pupils enrolled in classes for crippled children; maintenance and instruction of deaf, dumb and blind children of the District of Columbia by contract entered into by the Commissioners upon recommendation by the Board of Education of the District of Columbia; transportation of children attending schools or classes established for physically handicapped pupils; for carrying out the provisions of the Act of December 16, 1944 (58 Stat. 811); distribution of surplus commodities and relief milk to public and charitable institutions, and for the carrying out, under regulations to be prescribed by the Board of Education, of a "penny milk" program for the school children of the District, including the purchase and distribution of milk under agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture; $306,950 for development of vocational education in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Act of June 8, 1936, as amended; operation, repair, maintenance and improvement of public school buildings, grounds and equipment; purchase of equipment including not to exceed $25,000 for the purchase and repair of musical instruments and related equipment and supplies; and purchase, operation, repair, maintenance and insurance of passenger-carrying motor vehicles, including District-owned or borrowed passenger motor vehicles; $28,130,000, of which $3,000 shall be available for the services of experts and consultants as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates not exceeding $50 per diem plus travel expenses for such individuals: Provided, That the compensation for summer school personnel may be charged to the appropriation for the fiscal year in which the pay periods end: Provided further, That collections from the milk program shall be paid to the Collector of Taxes, District of Columbia, for deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the District.
Section 6 of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Act, approved May 10, 1916, as amended, shall not apply from July 1 to August 27, 1955, to teachers of the public schools of the District of Columbia when employed by any of the executive departments or independent establishments of the United States Government.

**Public Library**

Public Library, including extra services on Sundays and holidays; music records, sound recordings, and educational films; alterations, repairs; fitting up buildings; care of grounds; and rent of suitable quarters for branch libraries in Anacostia and Woodridge without reference to section 6 of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1945, $1,689,300.

**Recreation Department**

Recreation Department, for operation and maintenance of recreation facilities in and for the District of Columbia, $1,688,500.

**Metropolitan Police**

Metropolitan Police, including pay and allowances; the inspector in charge of the traffic division with the rank and pay of deputy chief; one captain who shall be assigned to the traffic division with the rank and pay of inspector; one inspector who shall be property clerk; the lieutenants in command of the homicide squad, robbery squad, general assignment squad, special investigation squad, with the rank and pay of captain while so assigned; the detective sergeants in command of the automobile and bicycle squad, and the check and fraud squad with the rank and pay of lieutenant while so assigned; the detective sergeant assigned as administrative assistant to the chief of detectives with the rank and pay of lieutenant while so assigned; the present acting sergeant in charge of police automobiles with the rank and pay of sergeant; the present sergeant in charge of the police radio station with the rank and pay of lieutenant; the present sergeant in charge of purchasing and accounts with the rank and pay of lieutenant; the lieutenant in charge of the Metropolitan Police Boys' Club with the rank and pay of captain; the lieutenant assigned as harbor-master with the rank and pay of captain; not to exceed one detective in the salary grade of captain; civilian crossing guards including uniforms and equipment, at rates of pay and hours of employment to be fixed by the Commissioners; compensation of civilian trial board members at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners; allowances for privately owned automobiles used by deputy chiefs and inspectors in the performance of official duties at $480 per annum for each automobile; meals for prisoners; rewards for fugitives; medals of award; photographs, rental, purchase, and maintenance of radio and teletype systems; travel expenses incurred in prevention and detection of crime; expenses of attendance, without loss of pay or time, at specialized police training classes and pistol matches, including tuition and entrance fees; expenses of the police training school, including travel expenses of visiting lecturers or experts in criminology; expenses of traffic school; police equipment and repairs to same; insignia of office, uniforms, and other official equipment, including cleaning, alteration, and repair of articles transferred from one individual to another, or damaged in the performance of duty; purchase of passenger motor vehicles; expenses of harbor patrol; and the maintenance of a suitable place for the reception and detention of girls and women over seventeen years of age, arrested by the police on charge of offense against any laws in force in the District of Columbia, or held...
as witnesses or held pending final investigation or examination, or otherwise; $12,808,000, of which amount $1,692,000 shall be payable from the highway fund and $40,300 from the motor vehicle parking fund, and $35,000 shall be exclusively available for expenditure by the Chief of Police for prevention and detection of crime, under his certificate, approved by the Commissioners and every such certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the sum therein expressed to have been expended.

**Fire Department**

Fire Department, including pay and allowances; compensation of civilian trial board members at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners; uniforms and other official equipment, including cleaning, alteration, and repair of articles transferred from one individual to another or damaged in the performance of duty; purchase and maintenance of radio equipment; purchase of passenger motor vehicles; repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds; $6,237,000: Provided, That the Commissioners in their discretion may authorize the construction, in whole or in part, of fire-fighting apparatus in the Fire Department repair shop.

**Veterans Service Center**

Veterans services, $92,200.

**Office of Civil Defense**

Office of Civil Defense, including personal services without reference to the civil service laws as related to recruitment, and purchase of passenger motor vehicles, $75,000: Provided, That not to exceed $50,000 of any funds from appropriations available to the District of Columbia may be used to match financial contributions from the Federal Civil Defense Administration to the District of Columbia Office of Civil Defense for the purchase of civil defense equipment and supplies approved by the Federal Civil Defense Administration, when authorized by the Commissioners.

**Department of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, including rent of suitable quarters, $140,000.

**Courts**

Courts, including the Juvenile Court, the Municipal Court, the Municipal Court of Appeals, and the District of Columbia Tax Court, including pay of retired judges; lodging and meals for jurors, bailiffs, and deputy United States marshals while in attendance upon jurors, when ordered by the courts; meals for prisoners; and reimbursement to the United States for services rendered to the District of Columbia by the Judiciary, General Services Administration, and the Department of Justice; $3,369,674, of which $20,000 shall be available for payment to the United States Public Health Service for furnishing psychiatric service to the Juvenile Court, including the detail of necessary medical and other personnel, and $250,000 shall be available for advances on reimbursement to the General Services Administration for one-half of the cost of operation, maintenance, and repair of the Federal Courts Building, as provided in the Act of May 14, 1948 (62 Stat. 285): Provided, That deposits made on demands for jury trials in accordance with rules prescribed by the Municipal Court under authority granted in section 11 of the Act approved March 3, 1921 (41 Stat. 1312), shall be earned unless, prior to three days before
the time set for such trials, including Sundays and legal holidays, a
new date for trial be set by the court, cases be discontinued or settled,
or demands for jury trials be waived.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Department of Public Health, including services for tuberculosis,
venereal disease, hygiene and sanitation work in schools, dental health,
maternal and child health, housekeeping assistance in cases of authentic
indigent sick, handicapped and crippled children, cancer control, control
of heart disease, public health engineering, nursing, psychiatry,
ambulances, laboratories, outpatient relief of the poor, medical and
surgical supplies, artificial limbs and appliances, eyeglasses, fees to
physicians under contracts to be made by the Director of Public Health
and approved by the Commissioners, contract investigational service,
uniforms, rent, manufacture of serum in indigent cases, allowances
for privately owned automobiles used for the performance of official
duties by dairy-farm inspectors at the rate of 7 cents per mile but not
more than $840 per annum for each automobile, subsistence in lieu of
salary for the full-time employment of persons for the purpose of
securing training and experience in their future vocations; not to
exceed $1,000 for attendance without loss of pay or time at specialized
medical or public health training courses or institutes, tuition and
entrance fees, and travel expenses and fees for visiting lecturers or
experts in public health and related fields; operation of hospitals,
compensation of consulting physicians and dentists at rates to be fixed
by the Commissioners, compensation of convalescent patients to be
employed in essential work and as an aid to their rehabilitation at
rates and under conditions to be determined by the Commissioners
(but nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as conferring
employee status on patients whose services are so utilized), not to
exceed $1,000 for financial assistance for needy patients as determined
by the Superintendent of Glenn Dale Hospital at rates established
by the Commissioners, classroom supplies, uniforms for guards, train-
ing school for nurses, repairs and improvements to buildings and
grounds, support of indigent insane, deportation of nonresident insane
persons (including persons held in the psychopathic ward of the
District of Columbia General Hospital), reimbursement to the United
States for services rendered to the District of Columbia by Freedmen's
Hospital, and for care and treatment of indigent patients under con-
tracts to be made by the Director of Public Health of the District of
Columbia and approved by the Commissioners with Central Dis-
persary and Emergency Hospital, Children's Hospital, Eastern
Dispensary and Casualty Hospital, Episcopal Eye, Ear and Throat
Hospital, Garfield Memorial Hospital, George Washington University
Hospital, Georgetown University Hospital, Providence Hospital,
Washington Home for Incurables, and Children's Convalescent Home,
$23,592,000: Provided, That the inpatient rate under such contracts
and for services rendered by Freedmen's Hospital shall not exceed
$14 per diem and the outpatient rate shall not exceed $2.40 per visit:
Provided further, That amounts to be determined by the Commis-
sioners may be expended for special services in detecting adulteration
of drugs and foods, including candy and milk and other products and
services subject to inspection by the Department of Public Health:
Provided further, That employees using privately owned automobiles
for the deportation of nonresident insane may be reimbursed as author-
ized by the Act of June 9, 1949 (63 Stat. 166), but not to exceed $900
for any one individual.
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Department of Corrections, including subsistence of interns; compensation of consulting physicians, dentists, and other specialists at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners; attendance of guards at pistol and rifle matches; uniforms and other distinctive wearing apparel necessary for employees in the performance of their official duties; rental of motion picture films; repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds; purchase of motorbuses; support, maintenance, and transportation of prisoners transferred from the District of Columbia; internment or transporting the remains of deceased prisoners to their relatives or friends in the United States; electrocutions; identifying, pursuing, recapturing (including rewards therefor), and returning to institutions, escaped inmates and parole and conditional-release violators; and returning released prisoners to their residences, or to such other place within the United States as may be authorized by the Director, and the furnishing of suitable clothing, and in the discretion of the Director, an amount of money not to exceed $30, regardless of length of sentence; $4,526,820.

PUBLIC WELFARE

Department of Public Welfare, including the general administration of public welfare in the District of Columbia, contract investigational services, certification of persons eligible for any public benefits which are or may become available under rules and regulations prescribed by the Commissioners, or their designated agent, relief and rehabilitation for purposes of employment of indigent residents of the District of Columbia (to be expended under rules and regulations prescribed by the Commissioners or their designated agent or agency), aid to dependent children, assistance against old-age want, aid for needy blind persons, services for children in their own homes, maintenance pending transportation, and transportation of indigent persons (including veterans and their families), burial of indigent residents of the District of Columbia, placing and visiting children, board and care of children committed to the guardianship of the Department of Public Welfare by the courts of the District and children accepted by said Department of Public Welfare for care as authorized by law, temporary care of children pending investigation or while being transferred from place to place, with authority to pay for the care of children in institutions under sectarian control, continuous maintenance of foster homes for temporary or emergency board and care of nondelinquent children, care and maintenance of women and children under contracts to be made by the Commissioners or their duly authorized agent with the Florence Crittenton Home, Saint Ann's Infant Asylum and Maternity Hospital, the House of Mercy, and other institutions caring for unmarried mothers, burial of children dying while beneficiaries under this appropriation, operation of protective institutions, repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds, purchase of passenger, truck and bus motor vehicles, maintenance of a suitable place in a building entirely separate and apart from the house of detention for the reception and detention of children under eighteen years of age arrested by the police on charge of offense against any laws in force in the District of Columbia or committed to the guardianship of the Department of Public Welfare, or held as witnesses or held temporarily, or pending hearing, otherwise, and male witnesses eighteen years of age or over shall be held at the District of Columbia General Hospital, subsistence in lieu of salary for full-time employment of persons for the purpose of securing training and experience in their future vocations, supervision of
students performing voluntary services for the purpose of obtaining training and experience in their future vocations, compensation of consulting physicians and veterinarians at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners, securing suitable homes for paroled or discharged children, and care and maintenance of boys committed to the National Training School for Boys by the courts of the District of Columbia under a contract to be made by the Commissioners or their designated agent with the Attorney General at a rate of not to exceed the actual cost for each boy committed, $9,600,000: Provided, That when specifically authorized by the Commissioners this appropriation may be used for visiting any ward of the Department of Public Welfare placed outside of the District of Columbia and the States of Virginia and Maryland, and the Department of Public Welfare shall have power to discharge from guardianship any child committed to its care: Provided further, That employees using privately owned automobiles for the transportation of indigent persons or the placing of children may be reimbursed as authorized by the Act of June 9, 1949 (63 Stat. 166), but not to exceed $900 for any one individual.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Department of Buildings and Grounds, including uniforms and caps for guards and elevator operators and maintenance of public convenience stations, and $5,000 exclusively for test borings and soil investigations, $1,687,000, of which $29,300 shall be payable from the highway fund.

All apportionments of appropriations for the use of the Department of Buildings and Grounds in payment of personal services employed on construction work provided for by said appropriations shall be based on an amount not exceeding 4 per centum of a total of not more than $2,000,000 of appropriations made for such construction projects and not exceeding 3% per centum of a total of the appropriations in excess of $2,000,000, and appropriations specifically made in this Act for the preparation of plans and specifications shall be deducted from any allowances authorized under this paragraph: Provided, That reimbursements may be made to this fund from appropriations contained in this Act for services rendered other activities of the District government, without reference to fiscal-year limitations on such appropriations: Provided further, That this fund shall be available for advance planning subject to subsequent reimbursement from funds loaned by the Administrator of General Services under the provisions of the Act of October 13, 1949 (63 Stat. 841).

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS

Department of Licenses and Inspections, including the enforcement of the Act requiring the erection of fire escapes on certain buildings and the removal of dangerous or unsafe or insanitary buildings; compensation at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners of members of the unsafe structure and excavation board; maintenance and repairs to markets; purchase of commodities and for personal services in connection with investigation and detection of sales of short weight and measure; $1,546,276.
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Department of Highways, including operation, minor construction, maintenance, and repair of bridges; repairs to streets, avenues, roads, sidewalks, and alleys; reconditioning existing gravel streets and roads; purchase, installation, modification, operation of electric traffic lights, signals, controls, markers, signs, and directional signs; operation and maintenance of the District's communication systems, including rental, purchase, installation, and maintenance of telephone, telegraph, and radio services; street lighting, including the installation and maintenance of public lamps, lampposts, street designations, lanterns, and fixtures of all kinds on streets, avenues, roads, and alleys; and public spaces to be expended in accordance with the provisions of sections 7 and 8 of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1912 (36 Stat. 1008), and with the provisions of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1913 (37 Stat. 181), and other laws applicable thereto; purchase, propagation, maintenance and planting of trees and shrubs, and maintenance of landscaping of public space along streets; refunding collections erroneously covered into the Treasury to the credit of the highway fund during the present and past three fiscal years; such expenses to include purchase of passenger motor vehicles; $5,967,000, of which $3,855,000 shall be payable from the highway fund: Provided, That the Commissioners are hereby authorized to purchase and install a municipal asphalt plant including all auxiliary plant equipment to be paid for from this appropriation: Provided further, That this appropriation shall not be available for refunds authorized by section 10 of the Act of April 23, 1924.

DEPARTMENT OF VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Department of Vehicles and Traffic (payable from highway fund), including purchase, installation, and modification of electric traffic signals and controls; purchase of motor-vehicle identification number plates; $22,000 for traffic safety education without reference to any other law; $200 for membership in the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators; and uniforms for motor vehicle inspectors and permit examiners; $1,107,000, of which $9,000 shall be payable from the general fund: Provided, That no part of this or any other appropriation contained in this Act shall be expended for building, installing, and maintaining streetcar loading platforms and lights of any description employed to distinguish same, except that a permanent type of platform may be constructed from appropriations contained in this Act for street improvements when plans and locations thereof are approved by the Public Utilities Commission and the Director of Vehicles and Traffic and the street-railway company shall after construction maintain, mark, and light the same at its expense: Provided further, That the Commissioners are authorized and empowered to pay the purchase price and the cost of installation of new parking meters or devices from fees collected from such new meters or devices, which fees are hereby appropriated for such purpose: Provided further, That the Commissioners are authorized and directed to designate, reserve, and properly mark appropriate and sufficient parking spaces on the streets adjacent to all public buildings in the District for the use of Members of Congress engaged on public business: Provided further, That the incumbent on July 1, 1944, of the authorized position of Registrar of Titles and Tags, whose duties shall be as prescribed in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1945, shall hereafter be continued for compensation purposes in grade 9 of the general schedule under the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.
MOTOR VEHICLE PARKING AGENCY

Motor Vehicle Parking Agency (payable from motor-vehicle parking fund), including installation and maintenance of parking meters and uniforms for fringe parking guards, $350,000.

DEPARTMENT OF SANITARY ENGINEERING

Department of Sanitary Engineering, including operation and maintenance of the District of Columbia water distribution system, installing and repairing water meters on services to private residences and business places as may not be required to install meters under existing regulations (said meters to remain the property of the District of Columbia), replacement of old water mains, service pipes, and divide valves, water waste and leakage survey, repair of reservoirs, purchase of passenger motor vehicles, purchase and replacement of uniforms for water meter inspectors, refunding of water rents and other water and sewer service charges erroneously paid in the District of Columbia (to be refunded in the manner prescribed by law for the refunding of erroneously paid taxes and to be available for such refunds of payments made within the present and past three fiscal years), cleaning and repairing sewers and basins, operation and maintenance of the sewage pumping service and sewage-treatment plant, repairs to equipment, machinery, and structures, control and prevention of the spread of mosquitoes in the District of Columbia, contribution of the District of Columbia to the expenses of the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, collection and disposal of refuse and street cleaning, repair and maintenance of plants, buildings, and grounds, and fencing of public and private property designated by the Commissioners as public dumps, $10,285,000, of which $99,000 shall be payable from the highway fund for cleaning snow and ice from streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, and gutters, in the discretion of the Commissioners, $2,715,000 shall be payable from the water fund, and $1,430,001 shall be payable from the sanitary sewage works fund: Provided, That this appropriation shall not be available for collecting ashes or miscellaneous refuse from hotels and places of business or from apartment houses of four or more apartments having a central heating system, or from any building or connected group of buildings operated as a rooming, boarding, or lodging house having a total of more than twenty-five rooms.

WASHINGTON AQUEDUCT

Washington Aqueduct (payable from the water fund), for the operation, maintenance, repair, and protection of Washington water supply facilities and their accessories, and maintenance of MacArthur Boulevard; including replacement and maintenance of water meters on Federal services; purchase of two passenger motor vehicles; and fluoridation of water, $2,120,000: Provided, That transfer of appropriations for operating expenses and capital outlay may be made between the Department of Sanitary Engineering of the District of Columbia and the Washington Aqueduct upon mutual agreement of the Commissioners and the Secretary of the Army.

Nothing herein shall be construed as affecting the superintendence and control of the Secretary of the Army over the Washington Aqueduct, its rights, appurtenances, and fixtures connected with the same, and over appropriations and expenditures therefor as now provided by law.
National Guard of the District of Columbia, including attendance at meetings of associations pertaining to the National Guard; expenses of camps, and for the payment of commutation of subsistence for enlisted men who may be detailed to guard or move the United States property at home stations on days immediately preceding and immediately following the annual encampments; reimbursement to the United States for loss of property for which the District of Columbia may be held responsible; cleaning and repairing uniforms, arms, and equipment; instruction, purchase, and maintenance of athletic, gymnastic, and recreational equipment at armory or field encampments; practice marches, drills, and parades; rents of armories, drill halls, and storehouses; advertising incident to recruiting; care and repair of armories, offices, storehouses, machinery, and dock, including dredging alongside of dock; alterations and additions to present structures; construction of buildings for storage and other purposes; $119,800.

National Capital Parks

National Capital Parks, including maintenance, care, and improvement of public parks, grounds, fountains, and reservations, propagating gardens and greenhouses, and the tourists' camp on its present site in East Potomac Park under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service; placing and maintaining portions of the parks in condition for outdoor sports, erection of stands, furnishing and placing of chairs, and services incident thereto in connection with national, patriotic, civic, and recreational functions held in the parks, including the President's Cup Regatta, and expenses incident to the conducting of band concerts in the parks; such expenses to include pay and allowances of the United States Park Police force; per diem employees at rates of pay approved by the Secretary of the Interior, not exceeding current rates of pay for similar employment in the District of Columbia; uniforming and equipping the United States Park Police force; the purchase, issue, operation, maintenance, repair, exchange, and storage of revolvers, uniforms, ammunition, and radio equipment and the rental of teletype service; and the purchase of passenger motor vehicles, bicycles, motorcycles, and self-propelled machinery; the hire of draft animals, with or without drivers at local rates approved by the Secretary of the Interior; the purchase and maintenance of draft animals, harness, and wagons; $2,389,000, of which $25,000 shall be payable from the highway fund: Provided, That not to exceed $15,000 of the amount herein appropriated may be expended for the erection of minor auxiliary structures: Provided further, That funds appropriated under or transferred to this head for services rendered by the National Park Service shall be expended by expenditure warrant as an advance to said service and shall be credited as a repayment and maintained in a special account. The amounts so advanced will be available for the objects specified herein or in the appropriation from which such funds are transferred, any unexpended balance to be returned to the appropriation concerned not later than two full fiscal years after the close of the current fiscal year.

National Zoological Park

National Zoological Park, including erecting and repairing buildings; care and improvement of grounds; travel, including travel for the procurement of live specimens; purchase, care, and transportation of specimens; purchase of motorcycles and passenger motor vehicles; revolvers and ammunition; purchase of uniforms and equipment for
police, and uniforms for keepers and assistant keepers; $669,300:

Provided, That funds appropriated under this head shall be expended by expenditure warrant as an advance to the National Zoological Park and shall be credited as a repayment and maintained in a special account. The amounts so advanced will be available for the objects herein specified, any unexpended balance to be returned to this appropriation not later than two full fiscal years after the close of the current fiscal year.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE

For reimbursement to the United States of funds loaned, in compliance with section 4 of the Act of May 29, 1930 (46 Stat. 482), as amended, the Act of May 14, 1948 (62 Stat. 235), and section 108 of the Act of May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 103), including interest as required thereby, $443,800, of which $144,800 shall be payable from the water fund.

PUBLIC BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

Capital outlay, public building construction: For acquisition of public school and branch library sites; preparation of plans and specifications for the following buildings: Eliot Junior High School addition, School for Crippled Children in the vicinity of Mount Olivet Road and Holbrook Street Northeast, branch library buildings in Tenley and Washington Highlands, repair shop for Fire Department, replacement of dormitory for resident physicians and interns at the District of Columbia General Hospital, and a detention unit and two junior units at the Children's Center; erection of the following structures, including building improvement and alteration and the treatment of grounds: elementary school in the vicinity of Sixth Street and Riggs Road Northeast, addition and alterations to McKinley Senior High School, Garfield Elementary School addition, Anacostia Senior High School addition, four eight-room and three four-room demountable school buildings, new operating suite at the District of Columbia General Hospital (including equipment), and nursery cottage, laundry addition, and incinerator at the Children's Center: $421,300 for purchase of equipment for new school buildings; and permanent improvement of buildings and grounds (including purchase and installation of furnishings and equipment, elimination of fire hazards, and road construction) of schools, firehouses, hospitals, welfare institutions, and other District of Columbia buildings; to remain available until expended, $7,544,400 of which $3,091,800 shall not become available for expenditure until July 1, 1956, and $439,050 shall be available for construction services by the Director of Buildings and Grounds or by contract for architectural engineering services, as may be determined by the Commissioners, and the funds for the use of the Director of Buildings and Grounds shall be advanced to the appropriation account, "Construction Services, Department of Buildings and Grounds".

The appropriation for "Capital outlay, public building construction", contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1955, shall be available for constructing and equipping a maximum security cottage at Children's Center.

CAPITAL OUTLAY, MISCELLANEOUS

Capital outlay, miscellaneous: For improvement of various recreation units, including preparation of architectural plans and erection
of recreation structures without regard to the Act of August 24, 1912 (40 U. S. C. 68); improvements and alterations to heating plant at Reformatory; construction of dormitory at the Women's Reformatory; beginning construction of Youth Correctional Center; preparation of plans and specifications for an industrial facility at the Reformatory and for a reception center at the Workhouse; to remain available until expended, $1,260,300, of which $360,000 shall not become available for expenditure until July 1, 1956, and $97,600 shall be available for construction services by the Director of Buildings and Grounds or by contract for architectural engineering services, as may be determined by the Commissioners, and the funds for the use of the Director of Buildings and Grounds shall be advanced to the appropriation account. "Construction Services, Department of Buildings and Grounds": Provided, That in the construction work hereby authorized and to be done by the Department of Corrections, brick used shall be furnished without charge by the Working Capital Fund, Workhouse and Reformatory.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Capital outlay, Department of Highways: For expenses necessary for the grading, surfacing, paving, repaving, widening, altering, purchase and installation of traffic lights, and otherwise improving streets, avenues, roads, and alleys, including curbing and gutters, directional and pedestrian islands at various intersections to permit proper traffic light control and channelization of traffic, drainage structures, culverts, suitable connections to storm water sewer system, retaining walls, replacement and relocation of sewers, water mains, fire hydrants, traffic lights, street lights, fire-alarm boxes, police-patrol boxes, and curb-line trees, when necessary, Federal-aid highway projects under section 1 (b) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1938, and highway structure projects financed wholly from the highway fund upon the approval of plans for such structures by the Commissioners; for carrying out the provisions of existing laws which authorize the Commissioners to open, extend, straighten, or widen streets, avenues, roads, or highways, in accordance with the plan of the permanent system of highways for the District of Columbia, and alleys and minor streets, and for the establishment of building lines in the District of Columbia, including the procurement of chains of title; and for assessment and permit work, paving of roadways under the permit system, and construction of sidewalks and curbs around public reservations and municipal and United States buildings, including purchase or condemnation of streets, roads, and alleys, and of areas less than two hundred and fifty feet square at the intersection of streets, avenues, or roads in the District of Columbia, to be selected by the Commissioners; placing underground, relocating, and extending the telephone, police-patrol and fire-alarm cable and circuit distribution systems; installing and extending radio systems; and purchase of lampposts, street designations, and fixtures of all kinds; to remain available until expended, $13,335,000, of which $13,135,000 shall be payable from the highway fund; and, when requested by the Commissioners, $6,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary (which is hereby appropriated for that purpose from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated), shall be advanced by the Secretary of the Treasury to the highway fund of the District of Columbia for highway construction pursuant to the provisions of the Act of May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 101): Provided, That in connection with the purchase and installation of a municipal asphalt plant on District-owned property the Commissioners are
authorized to make expenditures from this appropriation for the preparation of the site, including the construction of seawalls, dock facilities, and a railroad siding: Provided further, That in connection with the highway-planning survey, involving surveys, plans, engineering, and economic investigations of projects for future construction in the District of Columbia, as provided for under section 10 of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1938, and in connection with the construction of Federal-aid highway projects under section 1 (b) of said Act, and highway-structure projects financed wholly from the highway fund, this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Highways" shall be available for the employment of engineering or other professional services by contract or otherwise, and without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes and the civil-service and classification laws, and section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), and for engineering and incidental expenses: Provided further, That this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Highways" shall be available for the construction and repair of pavements of street railways, in accordance with the provisions of the Merger Act (47 Stat. 752), and the proportion of the amount thus expended which under the terms of the said Act is required to be paid by the street-railway company shall be collected, upon the neglect or the refusal of such street-railway company to make such payment, from the said street-railway company in the manner provided by section 5 of the Act of June 11, 1875, and shall be deposited to the credit of the appropriation for the fiscal year in which it is collected: Provided further, That in connection with projects to be undertaken as Federal-aid projects under the provisions of the Federal Aid Highway Act of December 20, 1944, as amended, the Commissioners are authorized to enter into contract or contracts for those projects in such amounts as shall be approved by the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce: Provided further, That the Commissioners are hereby authorized to construct grade-crossing elimination and other wholly District construction projects or those authorized under section 8 of the Act of June 16, 1936 (49 Stat. 1521), and section 1 (b) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1938, as amended, in accordance with the provisions of said Acts, and this appropriation may be used for payment to contractors and other expenses in connection with the expenses of surveys, design, construction, and inspection pending reimbursement to the District of Columbia by the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce, or other parties participating in such projects, reimbursement to be credited to the appropriation from which payment was made: Provided further, That the Commissioners are authorized to fix or alter the respective widths of sidewalks and roadways (including tree spaces and parking) of all highways that may be improved under appropriations contained in this Act: Provided further, That no appropriation in this Act shall be available for repairing, resurfacing, or paving any street, avenue, or roadway by private contract unless the specifications for such work shall be so prepared as to permit of fair and open competition in paving materials as well as in price: Provided further, That in addition to the provision of existing law requiring contractors to keep new pavements in repair for a period of one year from the date of the completion of the work, the Commissioners shall further require that where repairs are necessary during the four years following the said one-year period, due to inferior work or defective materials, such repairs shall be made at the expense of the contractor, and the bond furnished by
the contractor shall be liable for such expense: Provided further, That the appropriations for "Capital outlay, Street and Bridge Divisions", contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Acts for the fiscal years 1953 and 1954, shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Highways" shall be available for advance payments to Federal agencies for work to be performed, when ordered by the Commissioners, subject to subsequent adjustment.

DEPARTMENT OF SANITARY ENGINEERING

Capital outlay, Department of Sanitary Engineering: For construction of sewers and extension of the District of Columbia water-distribution system; assessment and permit work; purchase or condemnation of rights-of-way for construction, maintenance, and repair of public sewers; continuing construction on aeration plant and secondary sedimentation tanks and restoration of superintendent's residence at the Sewage Treatment Plant; laying water mains in advance of paving and installing fire and public hydrants; constructing trunk water mains and low service reservoir in Brentwood Park; to remain available until expended, $9,662,000, of which $1,500,000 shall not become available for expenditure until July 1, 1956, and $2,300,000 shall be payable from the water fund, and $3,000,000 shall be payable from the sanitary sewage works fund; and, when requested by the Commissioners, $700,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary (which is hereby appropriated for that purpose from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated), shall be advanced by the Secretary of the Treasury to the sanitary sewage works fund of the District of Columbia for sanitary sewage works construction pursuant to the provisions of the Act of May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 101): Provided, That this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Sanitary Engineering" shall be available for the employment of engineering or other professional services by contract or otherwise, and for engineering and incidental expenses.

The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to sell United States securities now held for and on account of the water fund of the District of Columbia in such amounts as may be certified by the Commissioners as necessary and credit the proceeds of such sale to said water fund.

WASHINGTON AQUEDUCT

Capital outlay, Washington Aqueduct (payable from water fund): For continuing construction of Little Falls pumping station, dam and rising tunnel; construction of Dalecarlia filter and chemical buildings; miscellaneous betterments, replacements, and engineering planning of water supply facilities, including continuing raw-water conduit rehabilitation, utility relocations, and plant system rearrangements and interconnections; purchase and installation of traveling screens for Georgetown Castle Gatehouse; purchase and installation of Federal meters; acquisition by gift, exchange, purchase, or condemnation of supplementary land; and for developing increased water supply for the District of Columbia and environs in accordance with House Document 480, Seventy-ninth Congress, second session; and necessary expenses incident thereto; including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates for individual consultants not in excess of $150 per diem; to remain available until expended, $3,000,000; and, when requested by the Commissioners, so much thereof as may be necessary (which is hereby appropriated for that purpose from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated), shall be advanced by the Secretary of the Treasury to the

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 2. Except as otherwise provided herein, all vouchers covering expenditures of appropriations contained in this Act shall be audited before payment by or under the jurisdiction only of the accounting officer for the District of Columbia and the vouchers as approved shall be paid by checks issued by the Disbursing Officer without countersignature.

Sec. 3. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or the government of the State of Columbia, or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States or the government of the District of Columbia, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States or the government of the District of Columbia, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States or the government of the District of Columbia, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or the government of the District of Columbia or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States or the government of the District of Columbia, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence, shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Sec. 4. Whenever in this Act an amount is specified within an appropriation for particular purposes or object of expenditure, such amount, unless otherwise specified, shall be considered as the maximum amount which may be expended for said purpose or object rather than an amount set apart exclusively therefor.

Sec. 5. Appropriations in this Act shall be available, when authorized or approved by the Commissioners, for allowances for privately owned automobiles used for the performance of official duties at 7 cents per mile but not to exceed $22 a month for each automobile, unless otherwise therein specifically provided, except that fifty-two such allowances at not more than $360 each per annum may be authorized or approved by the Commissioners: Provided, That the total expenditures for this purpose shall not exceed $83,000, excluding the automobile allowances for the deportation of nonresident insane by the Department of Public Health and the transportation of indigent persons and the placing of children by the Department of Public Welfare.
SEC. 6. Appropriations in this Act shall be available for the payment of dues and expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the work of the District of Columbia government, when authorized by the Commissioners: Provided, That the total expenditures for this purpose shall not exceed $25,000.

SEC. 7. The Commissioners are hereby authorized in their discretion to invest and reinvest at any time in United States Government securities, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, any part of the general, special, or trust funds, of the District of Columbia, not needed to meet current expenses, to deposit the interest accruing from such investments to the credit of the fund from which the investment was made, and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to sell or exchange such securities for other Government securities, and deposit the proceeds to the credit of the appropriate fund.

SEC. 8. Appropriations in this Act shall be available, when authorized by the Commissioners, for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a).

SEC. 9. The disbursing officer of the District of Columbia is authorized to advance to officials upon requisitions previously approved by the accounting officer of the District of Columbia, not to exceed at any one time sums of money as follows:

Director of Licenses and Inspections, $400, to be used exclusively in connection with investigation of short weights and measures;

Librarian of the Public Library, $50 at the first of each month, for the purchase of certain books, pamphlets, periodicals, newspapers, or other printed materials;

Superintendent of recreation, $4,000, to be used for the expense of conducting activities of the Recreation Board under the trust fund created by the Act of April 29, 1942 (56 Stat. 261);

Chief of Police, $5,000, to be used in the prevention and detection of crime;

Chief probation officer of the juvenile court, $50, upon requisition previously approved by the judge of the juvenile court, to be expended for travel expenses to secure the return of absconding probationers;

Director, Department of Corrections, $1,000, to be used only in returning escaped prisoners, conditional releasees, parolees, and for the payment of cash gratuities to prisoners on release;

Director of Public Health, $900, to be used for deportation of nonresident insane;

Director of Public Welfare, $1,100, to be used for placing and visiting children, returning parolees and wards of the Department of Public Welfare, and deportation of nonresident indigent persons including maintenance pending transportation;

Superintendent of Schools, $1,000, which shall be used in connection with the central food services.

SEC. 10. Appropriations in this Act shall not be used for or in connection with the preparation, issuance, publication, or enforcement of any regulation or order of the Public Utilities Commission requiring the installation of meters in taxicabs, or for or in connection with the licensing of any vehicle to be operated as a taxicab except for operation in accordance with such system of uniform zones and rates and regulations applicable thereto as shall have been prescribed by the Public Utilities Commission.

SEC. 11. Appropriations in this Act shall not be available for the payment of rates for electric street lighting in excess of those authorized to be paid in the fiscal year 1927, and payment for electric current for new forms of street lighting shall not exceed 2 cents per kilowatt-hour for current consumed.
SEC. 12. All motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles (including watercraft) owned by the District of Columbia shall be operated and utilized in conformity with section 16 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 77, 78), and shall be under the direction and control of the Commissioners, who may from time to time alter or change the assignment for use thereof, or direct the alteration or interchangeable use of any of the same by officers and employees of the District, except as otherwise provided in this Act. "Official purposes" shall not apply to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia or in cases of officers and employees the character of whose duties makes such transportation necessary, but only as to such latter cases when the same is approved by the Commissioners. No motor vehicles shall be transferred from the police or fire departments to any other branch of the government of the District of Columbia.

SEC. 13. Appropriations contained in this Act for the Department of Highways and the Department of Sanitary Engineering shall be available for snow and ice control work when ordered by the Commissioners in writing.

SEC. 14. The Commissioners are authorized to establish a working fund without fiscal-year limitation for the purpose of printing, duplicating, and photographing; and the unexpended balances in the miscellaneous trust fund accounts "Operating Account, Printing" and "Operating Account, Blueprinting" shall be deposited to said working fund; and the fund shall be reimbursed for all services performed thereunder.

SEC. 15. This Act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1956."

Approved July 5, 1955.

Public Law 132

CHAPTER 278

AN ACT

To amend the Act of April 6, 1949, as amended, and the Act of August 31, 1954, so as to provide that the rate of interest on certain loans made under such Acts shall not exceed 3 per centum per annum.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (a) of section 2 of the Act of April 6, 1949, as amended (63 Stat. 43; 12 U. S. C., sec. 1148a-2 (a)), is amended by striking out the last sentence of such subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Such loans shall be made at such rate of interest, not to exceed 3 per centum per annum, and on such terms and conditions as the Secretary shall prescribe for such area or region."

SEC. 2. Subsection (b) of section 2 of the Act of April 6, 1949, as amended (12 U. S. C., sec. 1148a-2 (b)), is amended by striking out the last sentence of such subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Such loans shall be made at such rate of interest, not to exceed 3 per centum per annum, and on such terms and conditions as the Secretary shall prescribe for such area."

SEC. 3. Clause (4) of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide emergency credit", approved August 31, 1954 (68 Stat. 999), is amended to read as follows: "be made at such rate of interest, not to exceed 3 per centum per annum, and on such terms and conditions as the Secretary shall prescribe for such area or areas; and."

Approved July 7, 1955.
AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Department of State not otherwise provided for, including the cost of transporting to and from a place of storage and the cost of storing the furniture and household and personal effects of an employee of the Foreign Service who is assigned to a post at which he is unable to use his furniture and effects, under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe: expenses authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 801-1158), not otherwise provided for; expenses of the National Commission on Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Cooperation as authorized by sections 3, 5, and 6 of the Act of July 30, 1946 (22 U.S.C. 287o, 287q, 287r); expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with activities provided for under this appropriation; purchase (not to exceed four for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; printing and binding outside the continental United States without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111); services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 55a); purchase of uniforms; insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries when required by law of such countries; dues for library membership in organizations which issue publications to members only, or to members at a price lower than the others; rental of tie lines and teletype equipment; employment of aliens, by contract for services abroad; refund of fees erroneously charged and paid for passports; establishment, maintenance, and operation of passport and despatch agencies; ice and drinking water for use abroad; excise taxes on negotiable instruments abroad; radio communications; payment in advance for subscriptions to commercial information, telephone and similar services abroad; relief, protection, and burial of American seamen, and alien seamen from United States vessels in foreign countries and in the United States Territories and possessions; expenses incurred in acknowledging services of officers and crews of foreign vessels and aircraft in rescuing American seamen, airmen, or citizens from shipwreck or other catastrophe abroad; rent and expenses of maintaining in Egypt, Morocco, and Muscat, institutions for American convicts and persons declared insane by any consular court, and care and transportation of prisoners and persons declared insane; expenses, as authorized by law (18 U.S.C. 3192), of bringing to the United States from foreign countries persons charged with crime; and procurement by contract or otherwise, of services, supplies, and facilities, as follows: (1) translating, (2) analysis and tabulation of technical information, (3) preparation of special maps, globes, and geographic aids, (4) maintenance, improvement, and repair of diplomatic and consular properties in foreign countries, held under leaseholds of less than ten years and fuel and utilities for such proper-
ties, and (5) rental or lease, for periods less than ten years, of offices, buildings, grounds, and living quarters for the use of the Foreign Service, for which payments may be made in advance; $86,760,000, of which not less than $8,000,000 shall, if possible, be used to purchase foreign currencies or credits owed to or owned by the Treasury of the United States: Provided, That pursuant to section 201 (c) of the Act of June 30, 1949 (40 U. S. C. 481 (c)), passenger motor vehicles in possession of the Foreign Service abroad may be exchanged or sold and the exchange allowances or proceeds of such sales shall be available without fiscal year limitation for replacement of an equal number of such vehicles and the cost, including the exchange allowance, of each such replacement shall not exceed $3,000 in the case of the chief of mission automobile at each diplomatic mission (except that fifteen such vehicles may be purchased at not to exceed $3,600 each) and $1,400 in the case of all other such vehicles except station wagons: Provided further. That none of the funds made available by this appropriation shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses of the Metals and Minerals staff in the Office of Economic Affairs: Provided further. That hereafter the position of Budget Officer of the Department shall be in GS-18 in the General Schedule established by the Classification Act of 1949 so long as the position is held by the present incumbent.

REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCES

For representation allowances as authorized by section 901 (3) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 (22 U. S. C. 1131), $575,000.

ACQUISITION OF BUILDINGS ABROAD

For necessary expenses of carrying into effect the Foreign Service Buildings Act, 1926, as amended (22 U. S. C. 292-300), including personal services in the United States and abroad; salaries, expenses and allowances of personnel and dependents as authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U. S. C. 801-1158); expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with activities provided for under this appropriation; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $8,500,000, of which not less than $7,500,000 shall be used to purchase foreign currencies or credits owed to or owned by the Treasury of the United States, to remain available until expended: Provided, That not to exceed $900,000 may be used for administrative expenses during the current fiscal year.

EMERGENCIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR SERVICE

For expenses necessary to enable the Secretary of State to meet unforeseen emergencies arising in the Diplomatic and Consular Service, to be expended pursuant to the requirement of section 291 of the Revised Statutes (31 U. S. C. 107), $1,000,000: Provided, That the Secretary of State may delegate to subordinate officials the authority vested in him by section 291 of the Revised Statutes pertaining to certification of expenditures.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary to meet annual obligations of membership in international multilateral organizations, pursuant to treaties, conventions, or specific Acts of Congress, $28,115,905.
For expenses necessary for permanent representation to certain international organizations in which the United States participates pursuant to treaties, conventions, or specific Acts of Congress, including expenses authorized by the pertinent Acts and Conventions providing for such representation; attendance at meetings of societies or associations concerned with the work of the organizations; salaries, expenses, and allowances of personnel and dependents as authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 801-1158); hire of passenger motor vehicles; printing and binding, without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111); and purchase of uniforms for guards and chauffeurs; $1,075,000:

Provided, That the provisions of section 8 of the United Nations Participation Act of 1945, as amended, and regulations thereunder, applicable to expenses incurred pursuant to that Act, may be applicable to the obligation and expenditure of funds in connection with United States participation in the International Civil Aviation Organization.

For necessary expenses of participation by the United States upon approval by the Secretary of State, in international activities which arise from time to time in the conduct of foreign affairs and for which specific appropriations have not been provided pursuant to treaties, conventions, or special Acts of Congress, including personal services without regard to civil-service and classification laws; salaries, expenses and allowances of personnel and dependents as authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 801-1158); employment of aliens; travel expenses without regard to the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and to the rates of per diem allowances in lieu of subsistence expenses under the Travel Expense Act of 1949; travel expenses for persons serving without compensation in an advisory capacity while away from their homes or regular places of business not in excess of those authorized for regular officers and employees traveling under this appropriation; rent of quarters by contract or otherwise; hire of passenger motor vehicles; contributions for the share of the United States in expenses of international organizations; and printing and binding without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111); $1,300,000, of which not to exceed a total of $100,000 may be expended for representation allowances as authorized by section 901 (3) of the Act of August 13, 1946 (22 U.S.C. 1131) and for entertainment.

For expenses necessary to enable the United States to meet its obligations under the treaties of 1884, 1889, 1905, 1906, 1933, and 1944 between the United States and Mexico, and to comply with the other laws applicable to the United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, including operation and maintenance of the Rio Grande rectification, canalization, flood control, bank protection, water supply, power, irrigation, boundary fence or demarcation, and sanitation projects; detailed plan preparation and construction (including surveys and operation and maintenance and protection during construction); Rio Grande emergency flood protection; expenditures for the purposes set forth in sections 101 through 104 of the Act of September 18, 1950 (22 U.S.C.
277d–1–277d–4); purchase of four passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; purchase of planographs and lithographs; and leasing of private property to remove therefrom sand, gravel, stone, and other materials, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (41 U.S.C. 5); as follows:

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses not otherwise provided for, including examinations, preliminary surveys, and investigations, $435,000.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

For operation and maintenance of projects or parts thereof, as enumerated above, including gaging stations, $1,200,000: Provided, That expenditures for the Rio Grande bank protection project shall be subject to the provisions and conditions contained in the appropriation for said project as provided by the Act approved April 25, 1945 (59 Stat. 89).

AMERICAN SECTIONS, INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS

For expenses necessary to enable the President to perform the obligations of the United States pursuant to treaties between the United States and Great Britain, in respect to Canada, signed January 11, 1909 (36 Stat. 2448) and February 24, 1925 (44 Stat. 2102), the treaty between the United States and Canada signed February 27, 1950, including stenographic reporting services by contract; hire of passenger motor vehicles; $285,000, to be disbursed under the direction of the Secretary of State, and to be available also for additional expenses of the American Sections, International Commissions, as hereinafter set forth:

International Joint Commission, United States and Canada, the salary of one Commissioner on the part of the United States who shall serve at the pleasure of the President (the other Commissioners to serve in that capacity without compensation therefor); salaries of clerks and other employees appointed by the Commissioners on the part of the United States with the approval solely of the Secretary of State; travel expenses and compensation of witnesses in attending hearings of the Commission at such places in the United States and Canada as the Commission or the American Commissioners shall determine to be necessary; and special and technical investigations in connection with matters falling within the Commission's jurisdiction: Provided, That transfers of funds may be made to other agencies of the Government for the performance of work for which this appropriation is made.

International Boundary Commission, United States, Alaska, and Canada, the completion of such remaining work as may be required under the award of the Alaskan Boundary Tribunal and the existing treaties between the United States and Great Britain; commutation of subsistence to employees while on field duty, not to exceed $6 per day each (but not to exceed $3 per day each when a member of a field party and subsisting in camp); hire of freight and passenger motor vehicles from temporary field employees; and payment for timber necessarily cut in keeping the boundary line clear.
INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES COMMISSIONS

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary to enable the United States to meet its obligations in connection with participation in international fisheries commissions pursuant to treaties or conventions, and implementing Acts of Congress; $455,000: Provided. That the United States share of such expenses may be advanced to the respective commissions: Provided further, That this appropriation shall not be used to pay the expenses of attendance at official international conferences.

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, to enable the Department of State to carry out international educational exchange activities, as authorized by the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 (22 U. S. C. 1431-1479), and the Act of August 9, 1959 (22 U. S. C. 501), and to administer the programs authorized by section 32 (b) (2) of the Surplus Property Act of 1944, as amended (50 U. S. C. App. 1641 (b)), the Act of August 24, 1949 (20 U. S. C. 222-224), and the Act of September 29, 1950 (20 U. S. C. 225), including salaries, expenses, and allowances of personnel and dependents as authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U. S. C. 801-1158); expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with activities provided for under this appropriation; hire of passenger motor vehicles; entertainment within the United States (not to exceed $1,000); services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); advance of funds notwithstanding section 3648 of the Revised Statutes as amended; and actual expenses of preparing and transporting to their former homes the remains of persons, not United States Government employees, who may die away from their homes while participating in activities authorized under this appropriation; $18,000,000, of which not less than $8,000,000 shall be used to purchase foreign currencies or credits owed to or owned by the Treasury of the United States: Provided, That not to exceed $3,300,000 may be used for administrative expenses during the current fiscal year.

GOVERNMENT IN OCCUPIED AREAS

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary to meet the responsibilities and obligations of the United States in Germany and Austria (including those arising under the supreme authority assumed by the United States on June 5, 1945, and under contractual arrangements with the Federal Republic of Germany), under such regulations as the Secretary of State may prescribe, including one deputy to the United States chief of mission in Germany at a salary of $17,500 and the United States Member of the Board for the Validation of German Bonds in the United States at a salary of $14,800; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not in excess of $50 per diem for individuals; payment of tort claims, in the manner authorized in the first paragraph of section 2672, as amended, of title 28 of the United States Code when such claims arise in foreign countries; expenses for translation and reproduction rights; acquisition, maintenance, operation, and distribution of rehabilitation materials and equipment for Germany and Austria; medical and health assistance for the civilian population of Germany and Austria; expenses incident to maintaining discipline and order (including trial and punishment by courts established by or under authority of the President); purchase, rental, operation,
and maintenance of printing and binding machines, equipment, and devices abroad; hire of passenger motor vehicles; transportation to Germany or Austria of property donated for the purposes of this appropriation; unforeseen contingencies (not to exceed $150,000), to be accounted for pursuant to the provisions of section 291 of the Revised Statutes (31 U. S. C. 107); representation allowances (not to exceed $45,000) similar to those authorized by section 901 (3) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 (22 U. S. C. 1131); $7,750,000: Provided, That provisions of law, including current appropriation Acts, applicable to the Department of State shall be available for application to expenditures made from this appropriation: Provided further, That when section 601 of the Economy Act of 1932, as amended (31 U. S. C. 686), is employed to carry out the purposes of this appropriation the requisitioned agency may utilize the authority contained in this appropriation: Provided further, That expenditures from this appropriation may be made outside the continental United States, when necessary to carry out its purposes, without regard to sections 355 and 3648, Revised Statutes, as amended: Provided further, That for the purposes of this appropriation appointments may be made to the Foreign Service Reserve without regard to the four-year limitation contained in section 522 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946: Provided further, That when the Department of the Army, under the authority of the Act of March 3, 1911, as amended (10 U. S. C. 1253), furnishes subsistence supplies to personnel of civilian agencies of the United States Government serving in Germany and Austria, payment therefor by such personnel shall be made at the same rate as is paid by civilian personnel of the Department of the Army serving in Germany and Austria, respectively.

RAMA ROAD, NICARAGUA

For an additional amount for necessary expenses for the survey and construction of the Rama Road, Nicaragua, in accordance with the provisions of section 5 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1952 (66 Stat. 160), as supplemented by section 8 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1954 (Public Law 350, approved May 6, 1954), $2,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That transfer of funds may be made from this appropriation to the Department of Commerce for the performance of work for which the appropriation is made.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SEC. 102. Contracts entered into in foreign countries involving expenditures from any of the appropriations under this title shall not be subject to the provisions of section 3741 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 22).

SEC. 103. The exchange of funds for payment of expenses in connection with the operation of diplomatic and consular establishments abroad shall not be subject to the provisions of section 3651 of the Revised Statutes (31 U. S. C. 543).

SEC. 104. Appropriations under this title available for expenses in connection with travel of personnel outside the continental United States, including travel of dependents and transportation of personal effects, household goods, or automobiles of such personnel shall be available for such expenses when any part of such travel or transportation begins in the current fiscal year pursuant to travel orders issued in that year, notwithstanding the fact that such travel or transportation may not be completed during the current fiscal year.
SEC. 105. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 16a of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 78 (a)), Government-owned vehicles may be used in foreign countries for transportation of United States Government employees from their residence to the office and return when public transportation facilities are unsafe or are not available: Provided, That each Chief of Mission shall have prior authority from the Secretary of State to approve such transportation.

SEC. 106. Appropriations under this title for “Salaries and expenses”, “International contingencies”, and “Missions to international organizations” are available for reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services for protection of confidential files.

SEC. 107. The Secretary of State, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, shall prescribe the maximum rates (not to exceed $12 per day) of per diem in lieu of subsistence (or of similar allowances therefor) payable while away from their own countries to foreign participants in any exchange of persons program, or in any program of furnishing technical information and assistance, under the jurisdiction of any Government agency, and said rates may be fixed without regard to any provision of law in limitation thereof.

SEC. 108. No part of any appropriation contained in this title shall be used to pay the salary or expenses of any person assigned to or serving in any office of any of the several States of the United States or any political subdivision thereof.

SEC. 109. None of the funds appropriated in this title shall be used (1) to pay the United States contribution to any international organization which engages in the direct or indirect promotion of the principle or doctrine of one world government or one world citizenship; (2) for the promotion, direct or indirect, of the principle or doctrine of one world government or one world citizenship.

SEC. 110. It is the sense of the Congress that the Communist Chinese Government should not be admitted to membership in the United Nations as the representative of China.

This title may be cited as the “Department of State Appropriation Act, 1956”.

TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LEGAL ACTIVITIES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

For expenses necessary for the administration of the Department of Justice and for examination of judicial offices, including purchase (one for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; and miscellaneous and emergency expenses authorized or approved by the Attorney General or his Administrative Assistant; $2,570,000: Provided, That hereafter the compensation of the Administrative Assistant Attorney General shall be $17,500 per annum so long as the position is held by the present incumbent.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, GENERAL LEGAL ACTIVITIES

For expenses necessary for the legal activities of the Department of Justice not otherwise provided for, including miscellaneous and emergency expenses authorized or approved by the Attorney General or his Administrative Assistant; and advances of public moneys pursuant to law (31 U. S. C. 520); $8,300,000.
For expenses necessary for the enforcement of antitrust and kindred laws, $3,100,000: Provided, That none of this appropriation shall be expended for the establishment and maintenance of permanent regional offices of the Antitrust Division.

For necessary expenses of the offices of United States attorneys and marshals and United States district attorneys in Alaska, including purchase of four passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, including one bus at not to exceed $9,000; services in Alaska in collecting evidence for the United States when specifically directed by the Attorney General; and firearms and ammunition; $17,240,000, of which not to exceed $50,000 shall be available for the employment of temporary deputy marshals in lieu of bailiffs at a rate not to exceed $10 per day: Provided, That of the amount herein appropriated $12,000 may be used for the emergency replacement of one prisoner-carrying bus upon certificate of the Attorney General.

For compensation and expenses of special temporary attorneys and assistants to the Attorney General, and to the United States attorneys and other miscellaneous employees not otherwise provided for, employed by the Attorney General and with his approval by the United States attorneys, in special matters and cases without regard to civil-service and classification laws, $300,000: Provided, That the amount paid as compensation out of the funds herein appropriated to any person employed hereunder shall not exceed $15,000 per annum.

For expenses, mileage, and per diems of witnesses and for per diems in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by law, and not to exceed $175,000 for such compensation and expenses of witnesses (including expert witnesses) or informants pursuant to section 1 of the Act of July 28, 1950 (5 U. S. C. 341) and sections 4244-48 of title 18, United States Code; $500,000: Provided, That no part of the sum herein appropriated shall be used to pay any witness more than one attendance fee for any one calendar day.


For expenses necessary for the detection and prosecution of crimes against the United States; protection of the person of the President of the United States; acquisition, collection, classification and preservation of identification and other records and their exchange with the duly authorized officials of the Federal Government, of States, cities, and other institutions; and such other investigations regarding official matters under the control of the Department of Justice and the Department of State as may be directed by the Attorney General,
including purchase (not to exceed three hundred for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; purchase at not to exceed $10,000, for replacement only, of one armored motor vehicle; firearms and ammunition; not to exceed $10,000 for taxicab hire to be used exclusively for the purposes set forth in this paragraph; not to exceed $4,500 for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; payment of rewards; and not to exceed $70,000 to meet unforeseen emergencies of a confidential character, to be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, and to be accounted for solely on his certificate; $88,000,000: Provided, That the compensation of the Director of the Bureau shall be $20,000 per annum so long as the position is held by the present incumbent.

None of the funds appropriated for the Federal Bureau of Investigation shall be used to pay the compensation of any civil-service employee.

**Immigration and Naturalization Service**

**Salaries and Expenses**

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for the administration and enforcement of the laws relating to immigration, naturalization, and alien registration, including advance of cash to aliens for meals and lodging while en route; payment of allowances (at a rate not in excess of $1 per day) to aliens, while held in custody under the immigration laws, for work performed; payment of rewards; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); not to exceed $35,000 to meet unforeseen emergencies of a confidential character, to be expended under the direction of the Attorney General and accounted for solely on his certificate; not to exceed $5,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; purchase (not to exceed one hundred and seventy for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; purchase (not to exceed seven for replacement only) and maintenance and operation of aircraft; firearms and ammunition; refunds of head tax, maintenance bills, immigration fines, and other items properly returnable, except deposits of aliens who become public charges and deposits to secure payment of fines and passage money ; operation, maintenance, remodeling, and repair of buildings and the purchase of equipment incident thereto; reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services for protection of confidential files and for rental of buildings in the District of Columbia; and maintenance, care, detention, surveillance, parole, and transportation of alien enemies and their wives and dependent children, including return of such persons to place of bona fide residence or to such other place as may be authorized by the Attorney General; $44,000,000: Provided, That the compensation of the five assistant commissioners shall be at the rate of grade GS-16 so long as the positions are filled by the present incumbents: Provided further, That of the amount herein appropriated not to exceed $50,000 may be used for the emergency replacement of aircraft upon certificate of the Attorney General.
For expenses necessary for the administration, operation, and maintenance of Federal penal and correctional institutions, including supervision of United States prisoners in non-Federal institutions and their support in Alaska; not to exceed $13,500 for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; purchase of not to exceed twenty-two (of which eighteen shall be for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; compilation of statistics relating to prisoners in Federal and non-Federal penal and correctional institutions; furnishing of insignia, uniforms, and other distinctive wearing apparel necessary for employees in the performance of their official duties; payment pursuant to law of claims of employees for loss, damage, or destruction of personal property (31 U. S. C. 238); firearms and ammunition; medals and other awards; payment of rewards; purchase and exchange of farm products and livestock; construction of buildings at prison camps; and acquisition of land as authorized by section 7 of the Act of July 28, 1950 (5 U. S. C. 341f); $28,800,000: Provided, That there may be transferred to the Public Health Service such amounts as may be necessary, in the discretion of the Attorney General, for direct expenditure by that Service for medical relief for inmates of Federal penal and correctional institutions; Provided further, That the Attorney General hereafter is authorized, without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, to place three positions in grade GS-16 in the General Schedule established by the Classification Act of 1949: Provided further, That the compensation of the Director of the Bureau shall be $17,500 per annum so long as the position is held by the present incumbent.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For constructing, remodeling, and equipping necessary buildings and facilities at existing penal and correctional institutions, including all necessary expenses incident thereto, by contract or force account, $875,000: Provided, That labor of United States prisoners may be used for work performed under this appropriation.

SUPPORT OF UNITED STATES PRISONERS

For support of United States prisoners in non-Federal institutions except in the Territory of Alaska, including necessary clothing and medical aid, and payment of rewards; $3,000,000.

OFFICE OF ALIEN PROPERTY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Attorney General, or such officer as he may designate, is hereby authorized to pay out of any funds or other property or interest vested in him or transferred to him pursuant to or with respect to the Trading With the Enemy Act of October 6, 1917, as amended (50 U. S. C. App.), necessary expenses incurred in carrying out the powers and duties conferred on the Attorney General pursuant to said Act: Provided, That not to exceed $2,800,000 shall be available in the current fiscal year for the general administrative expenses of the Office of Alien Property, including rent of private or Government-owned space in the District of Columbia; and expenses of attendance at meet-
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ings of organizations concerned with the purposes of this authorization: Provided further, That on or before November 1 of the current fiscal year, the Attorney General shall make a report to the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives giving detailed information on all administrative and nonadministrative expenses incurred during the next preceding fiscal year in connection with the activities of the Office of Alien Property: Provided further, That of the total amount herein authorized the amount of $100,000 is to be transferred to the appropriation for "Salaries and expenses, general administration", Justice.

General Provisions—Department of Justice

Sec. 202. None of the funds appropriated by this title may be used to pay the compensation of any person hereafter employed as an attorney (except foreign counsel employed in special cases) unless such person shall be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, Territory, or the District of Columbia.

Sec. 203. Sixty per centum of the expenditures for the offices of the United States attorney and the United States marshal for the District of Columbia from all appropriations in this title shall be reimbursed to the United States from any funds in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 204. Appropriations and authorizations made in this title which are available for expenses of attendance at meetings shall be expended for such purposes in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Attorney General.

Sec. 205. Appropriations and authorizations made in this title for salaries and expenses shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a).

This title may be cited as the "Department of Justice Appropriation Act, 1956".

Title III—The Judiciary

Supreme Court of the United States

Salaries

For the Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, and all other officers and employees, whose compensation shall be fixed by the Court, except as otherwise provided by law, and who may be employed and assigned by the Chief Justice to any office or work of the Court, $1,022,400.

Printing and Binding Supreme Court Reports

For printing and binding the advance opinions, preliminary prints, and bound reports of the Court, $91,200.

Miscellaneous Expenses

For miscellaneous expenses to be expended as the Chief Justice may approve, $49,950.
CARE OF THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

For such expenditures as may be necessary to enable the Architect of the Capitol to carry out the duties imposed upon him by the Act approved May 7, 1934 (40 U. S. C. 13a–13b), including improvements, maintenance, repairs, equipment, supplies, materials, and appurtenances; special clothing for workmen; and personal and other services (including temporary labor without reference to the Classification and Retirement Acts, as amended), and for snow removal by hire of men and equipment or under contract without compliance with section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (41 U. S. C. §5); $367,400.

AUTOMOBILE FOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE

For purchase, exchange, lease, driving, maintenance, and operation of an automobile for the Chief Justice of the United States, $5,835.

PREPARATION OF RULES FOR CIVIL PROCEDURE

The amount made available under this head in the Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1955, shall remain available until June 30, 1956.

COURT OF CUSTOMS AND PATENT APPEALS

For salaries of the chief judge, four associate judges, and all other officers and employees of the court, and necessary expenses of the court, including exchange of books, and traveling expenses, as may be approved by the chief judge, $235,755.

CUSTOMS COURT

For salaries of the chief judge, eight judges, and all other officers and employees of the court, and necessary expenses of the court, including exchange of books, and traveling expenses, as may be approved by the chief judge, $598,270: Provided, That traveling expenses of judges of the Customs Court shall be paid upon the written certificate of the judge.

COURT OF CLAIMS

For salaries of the chief judge, four associate judges, seven regular and six additional commissioners, and all other officers and employees of the Court, and for other necessary expenses, including stenographic and other fees and charges necessary in the taking of testimony, and travel, $622,700.

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary repairs and improvements to the Court of Claims buildings, to be expended under the supervision of the Architect of the Capitol, $12,000.
SALARIES OF JUDGES

For salaries of circuit judges; district judges (including judges of the district courts of Alaska, the Virgin Islands, the Panama Canal Zone, and Guam); justices and judges of the Supreme Court and circuit courts of the Territory of Hawaii; justices and judges retired or resigned under title 28, United States Code, sections 371, 372, and 373; and annuities of widows of justices of the Supreme Court of the United States in accordance with title 28, United States Code, section 375; $5,728,000.

SALARIES OF SUPPORTING PERSONNEL

For salaries of all officials and employees of the Federal Judiciary, not otherwise specifically provided for, $14,000,000: Provided, That the compensation of secretaries and law clerks of circuit and district judges shall be fixed by the Director of the Administrative Office without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, except that the salary of a secretary shall conform with that of the General Schedule grades (GS) 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8, as the appointing judge shall determine, and the salary of a law clerk shall conform with that of the General Schedule grades (GS) 5, 7, 9, 11, or 12, as the appointing judge shall determine, subject to review by the judicial council of the circuit if requested by the Director, such determination by the judge otherwise to be final: Provided further, That (exclusive of step-increases corresponding with those provided for by title VII of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, and of compensation paid for temporary assistance needed because of an emergency) the aggregate salaries paid to secretaries and law clerks appointed by one judge shall not exceed $10,560 per annum, except in the case of the chief judge of each circuit and the chief judge of each district court having five or more district judges, in which case the aggregate salaries shall not exceed $14,355 per annum.

FEES OF JURORS AND COMMISSIONERS

For fees, expenses, and costs of jurors (including meals and lodging for jurors in Alaska, as provided by section 193, title II, of the Act of June 6, 1900, 31 Stat. 362); compensation of jury commissioners; and fees of United States commissioners and other committing magistrates acting under title 18, United States Code, section 3041; $4,500,000.

TRAVEL AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

For necessary travel and miscellaneous expenses, not otherwise provided for, incurred by the Judiciary, including the purchase of firearms and ammunition, the cost of contract statistical services for the office of Register of Wills of the District of Columbia and not to exceed $1,000 for the payment of fees to attorneys appointed in accordance with the Act of June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 625), not exceeding $25 in any one case, $2,276,750: Provided, That this sum shall be available, in an amount not to exceed $8,500 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of Federal Probation when incurred on the written authorization of the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts.
For necessary expenses of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, including travel, advertising, and rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, $606,250.

**SALARIES OF REFEREES**

For salaries of referees as authorized by the Act of June 28, 1946, as amended (11 U. S. C. 65), not to exceed $1,151,400, to be derived from the referees’ salary fund established in pursuance of said Act.

**EXPENSES OF REFEREES**

For miscellaneous expenses of referees, United States courts, including the salaries of their clerical assistants, travel, purchase of envelopes without regard to the Act of June 26, 1906 (34 Stat. 476), not to exceed $1,650,500, to be derived from the referees’ expense fund established in pursuance of the Act of June 28, 1946, as amended (11 U. S. C. 65 (c) (4)).

**GENERAL PROVISIONS—THE JUDICIARY**

Sec. 302. Sixty per centum of the expenditures for the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia from all appropriations under this title and 30 per centum of the expenditures for the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia from all appropriations under this title shall be reimbursed to the United States from any funds in the Treasury to the credit of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 303. The reports of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia shall not be sold for a price exceeding that approved by the court and for not more than $6.50 per volume.

This title may be cited as the “Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1956”.

**TITLE IV—UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY**

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For expenses necessary to enable the United States Information Agency, as authorized by Reorganization Plan Numbered 8 of 1953, and the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act, as amended (22 U. S. C. 1431 et seq.), to carry out international information activities, including employment, without regard to the civil-service and classification laws, of (1) persons on a temporary basis (not to exceed $120,000), (2) aliens within the United States, and (3) aliens abroad for service in the United States relating to the translation or narration of colloquial speech in foreign languages (such aliens to be investigated for such employment in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary of State and the Attorney General); travel expenses of aliens employed abroad for service in the United States to and from the United States; salaries, expenses, and allowances of personnel and dependents as authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U. S. C. 801–1158); expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with activities provided for under this appropriation (not to exceed $6,000); entertainment within the United States (not to exceed $1,000); hire of passenger motor vehicles; insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries when required by the law of such countries; purchase of space in publications abroad, without regard to the
provisions of law set forth in 44 U. S. C. 322; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); payment of tort claims, in the manner authorized in the first paragraph of section 2872, as amended, of title 28 of the United States Code when such claims arise in foreign countries; advance of funds notwithstanding section 3648 of the Revised Statutes as amended; purchase of caps for personnel employed abroad; dues for library membership in organizations which issue publications to members only, or to members at a price lower than to others; employment of aliens, by contract, for service abroad; purchase of ice and drinking water abroad; payment of excise taxes on negotiable instruments abroad; loss by exchange; cost of transporting to and from a place of storage and the cost of storing the furniture and household and personal effects of an employee of the Foreign Service who is assigned to a post at which he is unable to use his furniture and effects, under such regulations as the Director may prescribe; actual expenses of preparing and transporting to their former homes the remains of persons, not United States Government employees, who may die away from their homes while participating in activities authorized under this appropriation; radio activities and acquisition and production of motion pictures and visual materials and purchase or rental of technical equipment and facilities therefor, narration, script-writing, translation, and engraving services, by contract or otherwise, maintenance, improvement, and repair of properties used for information activities in foreign countries; fuel and utilities for Government-owned or leased property abroad; rental or lease for periods not exceeding five years of offices, buildings, grounds, and living quarters for officers and employees engaged in informational activities abroad; travel expenses for employees attending official international conferences, without regard to the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and to the rates of per diem allowances in lieu of subsistence expenses under the Travel Expense Act of 1949, but at rates not in excess of comparable allowances approved for such conferences by the Secretary of State; and purchase of objects for presentation to foreign governments, schools, or organizations; $85,000,000, of which not less than $8,000,000 shall be used to purchase foreign currencies or credits owed to or owned by the Treasury of the United States and of which appropriation not less than $200,000 shall be available for contracts with one or more private international broadcasting licensees for the purpose of developing and broadcasting under private auspices, but under the general supervision of the United States Information Agency, radio programs to Latin America, Western Europe, Africa, as well as other areas of the free world, which programs shall be designed to cultivate friendship with the peoples of the countries in those areas, and to build improved international understanding: Provided, That not to exceed $50,000 may be used for representation abroad: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for expenses in connection with travel of personnel outside the continental United States, including travel of dependents and transportation of personal effects, household goods, or automobiles of such personnel, when any part of such travel or transportation begins in the current fiscal year pursuant to travel orders issued in that year, notwithstanding the fact that such travel or transportation may not be completed during the current year: Provided further, That funds may be exchanged for payment of expenses in connection with the operation of information establishments abroad without regard to the provisions of section 3651 of the Revised Statutes (31 U. S. C. 543): Provided further, That passenger motor vehicles used abroad exclusively for the purposes of this appropriation may be exchanged or sold, pursuant to section 201 (c)
of the Act of June 30, 1949 (40 U. S. C. 481 (c)), and the exchange allowances or proceeds of such sales shall be available for replacement of an equal number of such vehicles and the cost, including the exchange allowance of each such replacement, except buses and station wagons, shall not exceed $1,400: Provided further, That, notwithstanding the provisions of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 669), the United States Information Agency is authorized in making contracts for the use of international short-wave radio stations and facilities, to agree on behalf of the United States to indemnify the owners and operators of said radio stations and facilities from such funds as may be hereafter appropriated for the purpose against loss or damage on account of injury to persons or property arising from such use of said radio stations and facilities: Provided further, That existing appointments and assignments to the Foreign Service Reserve for the purposes of foreign information and educational activities which expire during the current fiscal year may be extended for a period of one year in addition to the period of appointment or assignment otherwise authorized: Provided further, That funds appropriated herein shall be available for payment to private organizations abroad in pursuance of contracts entered into for the processing and distribution of motion-picture films.

TITLE V—FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

Refugee Relief

For expenses necessary to enable the President, by transfer to such officer or agency of the Government as may be appropriate, to carry out the provisions of the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 (Public Law 203, approved August 7, 1953), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not in excess of $50 per diem for individuals; printing and binding outside the continental United States without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U. S. C. 111); hire of passenger motor vehicles; expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purpose of this appropriation; not to exceed $89,000 for expenses of a confidential nature, to be accounted for solely on the certificate of the officer to whom funds are transferred by the President from this appropriation; and of which not less than $2,000,000 shall be for capital for the making of loans; $15,000,000: Provided, That funds appropriated herein shall be available in accordance with authority granted hereunder or under authority governing the activities of the Government agencies to which such funds are allocated.

TITLE VI—FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED

The following corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to such corporation, and in accord with the law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the Budget for the fiscal year 1956 for such corporation, except as hereinafter provided:
Federal Prison Industries, Incorporated: Not to exceed $377,000 of the funds of the Corporation shall be available for its administrative expenses, and not to exceed $473,000 for the expenses of vocational training of prisoners, both amounts to be computed on an accrual basis and to be determined in accordance with the Corporation's prescribed accounting system in effect on July 1, 1946, and shall be exclusive of depreciation, payment of claims, expenditures which the said accounting system requires to be capitalized or charged to cost of commodities acquired or produced, including selling and shipping expenses, and expenses in connection with acquisition, construction, operation, maintenance, improvement, protection, or disposition of facilities and other property belonging to the Corporation or in which it has an interest.

TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 701. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence, and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Sec. 702. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes not heretofore authorized by the Congress.

Sec. 703. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay any expenses incident to or in connection with participation in the International Materials Conference.

This Act may be cited as the "Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies Appropriation Act, 1956".

Approved July 7, 1955.
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AN ACT

To provide for the bonding of certain officers and employees of the government of the District of Columbia, for the payment of the premiums on such bonds by the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the last paragraph of section 2 of the Act approved June 11, 1878 (20 Stat. 103, ch. 180), entitled “An Act providing a permanent form of government for the District of Columbia”, as added by the first section of the Act approved June 28, 1935 (49 Stat. 430), as precedes the proviso in said last paragraph, is amended to read as follows:

“The said Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to determine which officers and employees of the District of Columbia, or which positions occupied or to be occupied by such officers and employees, shall hereafter be bonded for the faithful discharge of the duties of such officers and employees or of such positions, and to fix the penalty or penalties of any such bond.”

SEC. 2. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to obtain blanket, position schedule, or other type of surety bond covering their civilian officers and employees required by law or administrative ruling to be bonded. Each bond shall be of the most suitable type available for the number and type of personnel required to be bonded, and shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of the persons so bonded, and the term “faithful performance of the duties” shall be deemed to include the proper accounting for all moneys or property received by virtue of the bonded persons' positions or employment and all responsibilities and accountabilities imposed by statute or regulation issued pursuant thereto. The bond premium may cover a period not exceeding three years and may be paid in advance from funds available for administrative expenses when the contract is made or continued. If the initial or subsequent premium cost exceeds $500 for any bond procured under authority of this section, advertisement for bids shall be required therefor and procurement shall be made from the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the invitation for bids, will be most advantageous to the District of Columbia, price and other factors considered.

SEC. 3. Whenever any officer or employee of the District of Columbia, as a prerequisite to entering upon the duties of his office or employment, or as a condition to his holding such office or employment is required by any provision of law or regulation to execute or furnish bond, notwithstanding such provision of law, if any bond obtained by the Commissioners pursuant to the authority contained in this Act covers such officer or employee, or covers the position of such officer or employee, in the amount and for such period as may be prescribed by such provision of law, such bond obtained by the Commissioners shall be in lieu of the bond required to be executed or furnished by such officer or employee.

SEC. 4. Subsection (a) of section 305 of the District of Columbia Law Enforcement Act of 1953, approved June 29, 1953 (67 Stat. 90, 101), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence: “The premium on any such bond may cover periods not exceeding three years and may be paid in advance.”

SEC. 5. Section 561 of the Act entitled “An Act to establish a code of law for the District of Columbia”, approved March 3, 1901, as amended (31 Stat. 1189, 1279; sec. 1-504, D. C. Code, 1951 edition) is amended by adding at the end of said section the following sentence: “Where any such notary public is an officer or employee of the
Government of the District of Columbia whose notarial duties are confined solely to government official business, any bond covering such officer or employee for the faithful performance of such notarial duties obtained by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia pursuant to the authority conferred on them by law shall be in lieu of the bond required by the first sentence of this section."

Approved July 7, 1955.

Public Law 135

AN ACT

To increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 1, 2, and 3 of the Act of July 2, 1890 (15 U. S. C. 1 ff.), as amended, are hereby further amended by striking out in each section where it appears, the phrase "fine not exceeding five thousand dollars" or the phrase "fine not exceeding $5,000" and substituting in lieu thereof in each case the phrase "fine not exceeding fifty thousand dollars".

Approved July 7, 1955.

Public Law 136

AN ACT

To amend section 4004, title 18, United States Code, relating to administering oaths and taking acknowledgments by officials of Federal penal and correctional institutions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4004, title 18, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 4004. Oaths and acknowledgments

The wardens and superintendents, associate wardens and superintendents, chief clerks, record clerks, and parole officers, of Federal penal or correctional institutions, may administer oaths to and take acknowledgments of officers, employees, and inmates of such institutions, but shall not demand or accept any fee or compensation therefor."

Approved July 7, 1955.

Public Law 137

AN ACT

To amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the United States to recover damages under the antitrust laws, establishing a uniform statute of limitations, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to supplement existing laws against unlawful restraints and monopolies, and for other purposes", approved October 15, 1914 (38 Stat. 730), as amended, is amended by inserting at the end of section 4 the following new sections:

"Sec. 4A. Whenever the United States is hereafter injured in its business or property by reason of anything forbidden in the antitrust
laws it may sue therefor in the United States district court for the
district in which the defendant resides or is found or has an agent,
without respect to the amount in controversy, and shall recover actual
damages by it sustained and the cost of suit.

"Sec. 4B. Any action to enforce any cause of action under sections
4 or 4A shall be forever barred unless commenced within four years
after the cause of action accrued. No cause of action barred under
existing law on the effective date of this Act shall be revived by this
Act."

Sec. 2. Section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to supplement existing
laws against unlawful restraints and monopolies, and for other pur-
amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 5. (a) A final judgment or decree heretofore or hereafter
rendered in any civil or criminal proceeding brought by or on behalf
of the United States under the antitrust laws to the effect that a
defendant has violated said laws shall be prima facie evidence against
such defendant in any action or proceeding brought by any other party
against such defendant under said laws or by the United States under
section 4A, as to all matters respecting which said judgment or decree
would be an estoppel as between the parties thereto: Provided, That
this section shall not apply to consent judgments or decrees entered
before any testimony has been taken or to judgments or decrees entered
in actions under section 4A.

"(b) Whenever any civil or criminal proceeding is instituted by the
United States to prevent, restrain, or punish violations of any of the
antitrust laws, but not including an action under section 4A, the
running of the statute of limitations in respect of every private right
of action arising under said laws and based in whole or in part on any
matter complained of in said proceeding shall be suspended during the
pendency thereof and for one year thereafter: Provided, however,
that whenever the running of the statute of limitations in respect of
a cause of action arising under section 4 is suspended hereunder, any
action to enforce such cause of action shall be forever barred unless
commenced either within the period of suspension or within four years
after the cause of action accrued."

Sec. 3. Section 7 of the Act approved July 2, 1890 (26 Stat. 210),
is repealed.

Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect six months after its enactment.
Approved July 7, 1955.

Public Law 138

AN ACT

July 8, 1955

To amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may
be cited as the "Mutual Security Act of 1955".

Sec. 2. Title I, chapter 1, of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which
relates to military assistance, is amended as follows:

(a) In section 103 (a), which relates to authorizations, add "(1)"
after "(a) ", and add the following new paragraph:

"(2) In addition, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated to
the President to carry out the purposes of this chapter not to exceed
$1,133,000,000, to remain available until expended."

(b) In section 103 (b), after the word "chapter", insert "and of
section 124".
(c) Section 103 (c) is hereby repealed, and the following is substituted therefor:

“(c) When appropriations made pursuant to subsection (a) of this section are used to furnish military assistance on terms of repayment within ten years or earlier such assistance may be furnished, notwithstanding sections 105, 141, and 142, to nations eligible to purchase military equipment, materials, and services under section 106.”

(d) Amend section 105 (b) (1), which relates to conditions applicable to military assistance, to read as follow:

“(1) The Congress welcomes the recent progress in European cooperation and reaffirms its belief in the necessity of further efforts toward political federation, military integration, and economic unification as a means of building strength, establishing security, and preserving peace in the North Atlantic area. In order to provide further encouragement to such efforts, the Congress believes it essential that this Act should be so administered as to support concrete measures to promote greater political federation, military integration, and economic unification in Europe.”

(e) In paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 105 (b), strike out “Near East, Africa, and South Asia” and “the Far East and the Pacific” and insert “Near East and Africa” and “Asia,” respectively.

(f) In paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 105 (c), which relates to geographic delivery ceilings, strike out “Near East, Africa, and South Asia” and “the Far East and the Pacific” and insert “and Africa” and “Asia”, respectively.

(g) In section 108, which relates to transfer of military equipment to Japan, strike out “1955” and insert “1956”.

Sec. 3. Title I, chapter 2, of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to southeast Asia and the western Pacific, and direct forces support, is amended as follows:

(a) In section 121, which relates to southeast Asia and the western Pacific, strike out the fourth word of the third sentence, “section”, and insert “title”.

(b) Add after section 123 the following new section:

“Sec. 124. Direct Forces Support.—There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $317,200,000 to provide assistance in the form of direct forces support to be delivered or rendered directly to the military forces of nations eligible for military assistance under chapter 1 of this title. The President may, notwithstanding the provisions of section 501, consolidate all or any part of appropriations made pursuant to this section with appropriations made pursuant to section 108. Programs authorized by this section may be administered in accordance with the provisions of chapter 1 or chapter 3 of this title.”

Sec. 4. Title I, chapter 3, of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to defense support, is amended by adding to section 131 the following new subsections:

“(c) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 to carry out the provisions of this section, not to exceed—

“(1) $292,000,000 for Europe (excluding Greece and Turkey);

“(2) $102,500,000 for the Near East (including Greece and Turkey) and Africa; and

“(3) $827,800,000 for Asia.

“Funds made available for assistance to Korea from appropriations authorized by this section may be used in accordance with the applicable provisions of section 132 of this Act.
“(d) In providing assistance in the procurement of commodities in the United States, United States dollars shall be made available for marine insurance on such commodities where such insurance is placed on a competitive basis in accordance with normal trade practice prevailing prior to the outbreak of World War II: Provided, That in the event a participating country, by statute, decree, rule, or regulation, discriminates against any marine insurance company authorized to do business in any State of the United States, then commodities purchased with funds provided hereunder and destined for such country shall be insured in the United States against marine risk with a company or companies authorized to do a marine insurance business in any State of the United States.”

Sec. 5. Title I, chapter 4, of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to general provisions relating to mutual defense assistance, is amended by changing section 142, which relates to agreements, as follows: After “Sec. 142. AGREEMENTS.—” insert “(a)” in paragraph 10 strike out the comma and the word “or” where they appear after the phrase “any such assistance”, and insert in lieu thereof “and”; strike out the word “and” at the end of paragraph (10) and change the semicolon preceding that word to a period; and change the portion of paragraph (11) preceding subparagraph (i) thereof to read as follows:

“(b) In cases where any commodity is to be furnished on a grant basis under chapter 2 or chapter 3 of title 1 or under title II of this Act under arrangements which will result in the accrual of proceeds to the recipient nation from the import or sale thereof, such assistance shall not be furnished unless the recipient nation shall have agreed to establish a special account, and—”.

Sec. 6. Title II of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to development assistance, is amended as follows:

(a) (1) In section 201 (a), which relates to authorization, strike out “South Asia” in paragraph 2 and insert “Asia”; before the period in paragraph 3 insert “and to assist in maintaining economic and political stability in the area”; and in lieu of the last sentence insert the following: “Such assistance may be furnished on such terms and conditions as the President may specify and shall emphasize loans rather than grants wherever possible.”.

(2) Add to section 201 the following new subsection:

“(c) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $73,000,000, $71,000,000, and $38,000,000 to furnish assistance under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), respectively of subsection (a) of this section.”

(b) In section 202 which relates to administration, add at the end thereof the following new sentence: “The authority provided in section 307 may be exercised for purposes of furnishing assistance under section 201.”

Sec. 7. Title III of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to technical cooperation, is amended as follows:

(a) In section 304, which relates to authorization, insert “(a)” before the first sentence and add the following new subsection:

“(b) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $146,300,000 for technical cooperation programs in the Near East and Africa, Asia and Latin America.”

(b) In section 306, which relates to multilateral technical cooperation:

(1) Insert the following before the semicolon at the end of paragraph (a) : ; in addition, $24,000,000 for the fiscal year 1956 for contributions to the United Nations Expanded Program of Technical Assistance.”

Marine insurance.
(2) Insert the following before the period at the end of paragraph (b): "in addition, $1,500,000 for the fiscal year 1956 for contributions to the technical cooperation programs of the Organization of American States."

(c) In section 308, which relates to the International Development Advisory Board, insert "or at the applicable rate prescribed in the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, as amended from time to time, whichever is higher," after "not to exceed $10 per diem."

Sec. 8. Title IV of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to other programs, is amended as follows:

(a) In section 401, which relates to special fund, insert "(a)" before the first sentence; strike out "$150,000,000" in the first sentence and insert "$50,000,000, in addition to the funds authorized to be appropriated under subsection (b) hereof,"; in the next to last sentence strike out "section" and insert "Act"; and add the following new subsection at the end thereof:

"(b) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 $100,000,000 for use in accordance with subsection (a) of this section."

(b) In section 402, which relates to the sale of surplus agricultural commodities, strike out "not less than $350,000,000" and insert in lieu thereof "for the fiscal year 1956, not less than $300,000,000."

(c) In section 403, which relates to special assistance in joint control areas, insert "(a)" before the first sentence; insert "at the time of the enactment of this Act" in the first sentence after "responsibility;" and add the following new subsection:

"(b) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $21,000,000 to carry out this section."

(d) Amend section 405, which relates to movement of migrants and refugees, as follows:

(1) Change the heading to "MIGRANTS, REFUGEES, AND ESCAPEES."
(2) Amend subsection (c) to read as follows:

"(c) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $1,400,000 for contributions to the United Nations Refugee Fund."
(3) Add the following new subsection:

"(d) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $6,000,000 for continuation of activities, including care, training, and resettlement, which have been undertaken for selected escapees under section 401 of this Act."

(e) In section 406, which relates to children's welfare, insert "(a)" before the first sentence and add the following new subsection:

"(b) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $14,500,000 for contributions to the United Nations Children's Fund."

(f) In section 407, which relates to Palestine refugees in the Near East, insert "(a)" before the first sentence and add the following new subsection:

"(b) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $65,000,000 to be used to make contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East."

(g) Amend section 408, which relates to ocean freight charges, as follows:

(1) Insert the following new sentence at the end of subsection (c), which relates to ocean freight charges on shipments by United States voluntary nonprofit relief agencies: "There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $2,000,000 to carry out the purposes of this section."

22 USC 1898.
22 USC 1921.
22 USC 1922.
22 USC 1923.
22 USC 1925.
22 USC 1926.
22 USC 1927.
22 USC 1929.
(2) Amend subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $13,000,000 to pay ocean freight charges on shipments of surplus agricultural commodities, including commodities made available pursuant to any Act for the disposal abroad of United States agricultural surpluses. In addition, any funds made available under this Act may be used, in amounts determined by the President, for the purposes of this subsection."

(h) In section 410, which relates to Control Act expenses, insert "and for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $1,175,000," after "$1,300,000."

(i) (1) Change the title of section 411, which relates to administrative expenses to read "ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER EXPENSES".

(2) Amend section 411 (b) to read as follows:

"(b) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the fiscal year 1955 not to exceed $34,700,000, and for the fiscal year 1956 not to exceed $33,225,000, for all necessary administrative expenses incident to carrying out the provisions of this Act other than chapter 1 of title I and section 124."

(3) Add to section 411 the following new subsection:

"(c) Funds made available for the purposes of this Act may be used for compensation, allowances, and travel of personnel, including Foreign Service personnel whose services are utilized primarily for the purposes of this Act, and without regard to the provisions of any other law, for printing and binding, and for expenditures outside the continental limits of the United States for the procurement of supplies and services and for other administrative and operating purposes (other than compensation of personnel) without regard to such laws and regulations governing the obligation and expenditure of Government funds as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Act."

(j) Add the following new sections:

"Sec. 418. PRESIDENT'S FUND FOR ASIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:—

(a) The Congress of the United States reaffirms the policy of the United States to contribute to international peace and security through assisting the peoples of free Asia in their efforts to attain economic and social well-being, to safeguard basic rights and liberties, and to protect their security and independence. The Congress hereby recognizes that fundamental to these goals is an expanding economic growth of the free Asia area based upon self-help and mutual cooperation and full utilization of already existing resources and knowledge. The Congress expresses the willingness of the people of the United States to support the foregoing objectives to the extent to which the countries in the area continue to make effective use of their own resources and external resources otherwise available to them.

(b) In order to carry out the purposes of this section, there is hereby authorized to be established a fund, to be known as the 'President's Fund for Asian Economic Development' (hereinafter referred to as 'the Fund'), and there is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the President for the Fund an amount of $200,000,000, such amount to remain available until June 30, 1958.

(c) The President is authorized to utilize the appropriations made available for the Fund to accomplish in the free Asia area the policies and purposes declared in this Act and to disburse them on such terms and conditions, including transfer of funds, as he may specify to any person, corporation, or other body of persons however designated, or to any friendly foreign government, agency, or organization or group of friendly governments or agencies as may be appropriate: Provided, however. That such assistance shall emphasize loans rather than
grants wherever possible, and not less than 50 per centum of the funds appropriated pursuant to this section shall be available only for furnishing assistance on terms of repayment in accordance with the provisions of section 503, and not more than 25 per centum of said funds may be allocated for assistance to any one nation.

"(d) In utilizing the Fund the President shall give preference to projects or programs that will clearly contribute to promoting greater economic strength in the area as a whole or among a group or groups of countries of the area.

"SEC. 419. WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION.—Section 3 (a) of Public Law 643, Eightieth Congress, approved June 14, 1948, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"'(a) such sums as may be necessary for the payment by the United States of its share of the expenses of the Organization as apportioned by the Health Assembly in accordance with article 56 of the constitution of the Organization, except that payments by the United States for any fiscal year of the Organization after 1958 shall not exceed 33 1/3 per centum of the total assessments of active members of the Organization for such fiscal year; and'."

Sec. 9. Title V, chapter 1, of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to general provisions, is amended as follows

(a) In section 502, which relates to use of foreign currency, in subsection (b) after the word "amended," insert the words "and to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy and the Joint Committee on the Economic Report,"; and in the proviso after the word "Senate" the second time such word occurs, insert the words "or a joint committee of the Congress".

(b) In section 503, subsection (b) is hereby repealed and subsection (c) is redesignated as "(b)".

(c) (1) Change the heading of section 505 to "LOAN ASSISTANCE AND SALES"

(2) Amend section 505 (a) by inserting before the period at the end thereof the following: "and shall emphasize loans rather than grants wherever possible".

(3) Add the following sentence at the end of subsection (a) of section 505: "Whenever commodities or services are sold for foreign currencies the President, notwithstanding section 1415 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1953, or any other provision of law, may enter into arrangements with friendly nations or organizations of nations to use such currencies for the purposes for which the funds providing the commodities or services which generated the currencies were appropriated."

(d) In section 509, which relates to shipping on United States vessels, add the following sentence at the end thereof: "The ocean transportation between foreign countries of commodities, materials, and equipment procured out of local currency funds made available or derived from funds made available under this Act shall not be governed by the provisions of section 901 (b) of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, or any other law relating to the ocean transportation of commodities, materials, and equipment on United States flag vessels."

"SEC. 10. Title V, chapter 2, of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to organization and administration, is amended as follows

(a) In section 524 (a), amend subparagraph (3) to read as follows:

"(3) the supervision of end-item use by the recipient countries;".

(b) In the second sentence of section 525, which relates to the Foreign Operations Administration, after "Foreign Operations Administration" insert "(including any function, office or entity thereof"
transferred to any other agency); and insert, before the period at the end of said second sentence, the following: "Provided. That such authority conferred by this sentence shall be exercised in accordance with applicable laws and regulations relating to the Civil Service and Veterans' Preference."

(c) Add at the end of section 526, which relates to missions and staffs abroad, the following new sentence: "If a Foreign Service Officer shall be appointed by the President to a position under this section, the period of his service in such capacity shall be considered as constituting an assignment for duty within the meaning of section 571 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, and such person shall not, by virtue of his acceptance of such an assignment, lose his status as a Foreign Service Officer."

(d) In section 530 (a), which relates to experts and consultants or organizations thereof, insert "or at the applicable rate prescribed in the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, as amended from time to time, whichever is higher," after "at a rate not to exceed $10".

(e) In section 534, which relates to reports, strike out "sections 504 and 413 (b)" in the last sentence and insert "sections 504, 413 (b), and 418".

SEC. 11. Title V, chapter 3, of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, which relates to repeal and miscellaneous provisions, is amended by adding after section 547, the following new sections:

"Sec. 548. Unexpended Balances. - Unexpended balances of funds heretofore made available under authority of this Act are hereby authorized to be continued available for the general purposes for which appropriated, and may be consolidated with appropriations made available beginning in fiscal year 1956 for the same general purposes under the authority of this Act: Provided, however, That unexpended balances in excess of $200,000,000 not obligated by June 30, 1955, in accordance with the provisions of section 1311 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955 (Public Law 663, Eighty-third Congress), or reserved in accordance with the provisions of section 110 of the Mutual Security Appropriation Act, 1955 (Public Law 778, Eighty-third Congress), are not authorized to be continued available after such date."

"Sec. 549. (a) Statement of Congressional Policy. - It is the sense of the Congress that inasmuch as-

"(1) the United States, through mutual security programs, has made substantial contributions to the economic recovery and rehabilitation of the nations of western Europe;

"(2) due in part to those programs, it has been possible for such nations to achieve complete economic recovery and to regain their military strength; and

"(3) certain other friendly nations of the world remain in need of assistance in order that they may defend themselves against aggression and contribute to the security of the free world;

those nations that have been assisted in their recovery should, in the future, share with the United States to a greater extent the financial burden of providing aid to those countries which are still in need of assistance of the type provided under this Act.

"(b) It is the sense of the Congress that assistance under this Act shall be administered so as to assist other peoples in their efforts to achieve self-government or independence under circumstances which will enable them to assume an equal station among the free nations of the world and to fulfill their responsibilities for self-government or independence."
Sec. 12. It is hereby declared to be the continuing sense of the Congress that the Communist regime in China has not demonstrated its willingness to fulfill the obligations contained in the Charter of the United Nations and should not be recognized to represent China in the United Nations.

Approved July 8, 1955.

Public Law 139

AN ACT

To adjust the salaries of Judges of the Municipal Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, the salaries of the Judges of the Municipal Court for the District of Columbia, the salary of the Judge of the District of Columbia Tax Court, and the salary of the Judge of the Juvenile Court of the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fourth sentence of the sixth paragraph of section 6 of the Act entitled "An Act to consolidate the Police Court of the District of Columbia and the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia, to be known as 'The Municipal Court for the District of Columbia', to create 'The Municipal Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia', and for other purposes", approved April 1, 1942, as amended (D.C. Code, sec. 11-771), is amended by striking out "$14,500" and inserting in lieu thereof "$19,000", and by striking out "$14,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$18,500".

SEC. 2. The fourth sentence of section 2 of such Act of April 1, 1942, as amended (D.C. Code, sec. 11-753), is amended by striking out "$13,500" and inserting in lieu thereof "$18,000", and by striking out "$13,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$17,500".

SEC. 3. The first sentence of the second paragraph of section 2 of title IX of the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, as amended (D.C. Code, sec. 47-2402), is amended by striking out "$13,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$17,500".

SEC. 4. The last sentence of section 19 of the Juvenile Court Act of the District of Columbia (D.C. Code, sec. 11-920) is amended to read as follows: "The salary of the judge shall be $17,500 per annum."

Approved July 11, 1955.

Public Law 140

AN ACT

To provide that all United States currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That at such time as new dies for the printing of currency are adopted in connection with the current program of the Treasury Department to increase the capacity of presses utilized by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the dies shall bear, at such place or places thereon as the Secretary of the Treasury may determine to be appropriate, the inscription "In God We Trust", and thereafter this inscription shall appear on all United States currency and coins.

Approved July 11, 1955.
AN ACT

To authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission for acquisition or condemnation of real property or any facilities, or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SEC. 101. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Atomic Energy Commission the sum of $269,159,000 for acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, as follows:

(a) Atomic Weapons.—Project 56–a–1, production or development plants or facilities, $20,000,000.
(b) Reactor Development.—
   1. Project 56–b–1, power reactor development acceleration project, $25,000,000.
   2. Project 56–b–2, fast power breeder pilot facility (EBR-II), $14,850,000.
   3. Project 56–b–3, surface ship reactor facility, $25,000,000.
   5. Project 56–b–5, submarine advanced reactor development facilities, Schenectady, New York, $3,100,000.
   6. Project 56–b–6, aircraft nuclear propulsion program plant and test area, Arco, Idaho, $13,000,000.
   7. Project 56–b–7, aircraft reactor test plant, $1,437,000.
   8. Project 56–b–8, modifications and expansions to ANP ground test plant, Idaho, $1,000,000.
   9. Project 56–b–9, special reactor facilities construction program, $2,000,000.
(c) Physical Research.—Project 56–c–1, particle accelerator program, $10,000,000.
(d) Special Nuclear Material.—
   1. Project 56–d–1, metallex pilot facility, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, $1,000,000.
   2. Project 56–d–2, reactor facilities modifications, Hanford, Washington, $11,000,000.
   4. Project 56–d–4, modifications to separations and processing facilities, Hanford, Washington, $2,560,000.
   5. Project 56–d–5, conversion of pilot plant and facility to production plant and facility, Fernald, Ohio, $600,000.
   6. Project 56–d–6, barrier plant addition, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, $2,200,000.
   7. Project 56–d–7, new barrier development plant, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, $404,000.
   8. Project 56–d–8, expansion of metal recovery facility, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, $370,000.
(e) Source and Other Raw Materials.—
   1. Project 56–e–1, expansion and modification of ore processing plant, Monticello, Utah, $1,550,000.
   2. Project 56–e–2, storage sites for vanadium bearing tailings, $500,000.
(f) Atomic Weapons.—
   1. Project 56–f–1, art construction project, fiscal year 1956 increment, $17,873,000.
   2. Project 56–f–2, expansion of weapons material fabrication plant and facility, $15,000,000.
3. Project 56-f-3, new Sigma Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico, $4,015,000.
4. Project 56-f-4, detonator production plant, $3,750,000.
5. Project 56-f-5, base construction, Pacific proving ground, $1,568,000.
6. Project 56-f-6, Rocky Flats, Colorado, plant and facilities, $1,330,000.
7. Project 56-f-7, base construction, Nevada test site, $927,000.
8. Project 56-f-8, addition to technical laboratory shop building, Los Alamos, New Mexico, $725,000.
(g) Reactor Development.—
1. Project 56-g-1, engineering test reactor facility, $14,350,000.
2. Project 56-g-2, reactor training school, Argonne National Laboratory, $712,000.
3. Project 56-g-3, chemistry cave for radioactive materials, Argonne National Laboratory, $448,000.
4. Project 56-g-4, reactor engineering building addition, Argonne National Laboratory, $295,000.
5. Project 56-g-5, high level chemical development facility, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, $280,000.
6. Project 56-g-6, research reactor, Philippine Government, $500,000.
7. Project 56-g-7, research reactors for the development of peacetime uses of atomic energy under Agreements for Cooperation, $5,000,000.
(h) Physical Research.—
1. Project 56-h-1, conversion of existing building to development plant, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, $1,150,000.
2. Project 56-h-2, fabrication plant for development equipment, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, $440,000.
(i) Biology and Medicine.—Project 56-i-1, medical research plant and facility, Brookhaven National Laboratory, $6,040,000.
(j) Community.—
1. Project 56-j-1, additional housing units, Monticello, Utah, $250,000.
2. Project 56-j-2, new community hospital, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, $2,900,000.
4. Project 56-j-4, housing program (group 18), Los Alamos, New Mexico, $3,500,000.
(k) Source and Other Raw Materials.—Project 56-k-1, offsite access roads, $4,165,000.
(l) General Plant Projects.—$17,960,000.
Sec. 102. Limitations.—
(a) The Commission is authorized to start any project set forth in subsections 101 (a) through 101 (d) only if the currently estimated cost of that project does not exceed by more than 25 per centum the estimated cost set forth for that project.
(b) The Commission is authorized to start any project set forth in subsections 101 (e) through 101 (j) only if the currently estimated cost of that project does not exceed by more than 10 per centum the estimated cost set forth for that project.
(c) The Commission is authorized to start the project set forth in subsection 101 (k) only if the currently estimated cost of the project does not exceed the estimated cost set forth for that project.
(d) The Commission is authorized to start a project under subsection 101 (l) only if it is in accordance with the following:
1. For community operations, the maximum currently estimated cost of any project shall be $100,000 and the maximum currently esti-
mated cost of any building included in such project shall be $10,000.

2. For all other programs, the maximum currently estimated cost of any project shall be $500,000 and the maximum currently estimated cost of any building included in such a project shall be $100,000.

3. The total cost of all projects undertaken under subsection 101 (1) shall not exceed the estimated cost set forth in that subsection by more than 10 per centum.

Sec. 103. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated funds for advance planning, construction design, and architectural services, in connection with projects which are not otherwise authorized by law, and the Atomic Energy Commission is authorized to use funds currently or otherwise available to it for such purposes.

Sec. 104. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated funds necessary to restore or to replace plants or facilities destroyed or otherwise seriously damaged, and the Atomic Energy Commission is authorized to use funds currently or otherwise available to it for such purposes.

Sec. 105. In addition to the sums authorized to be appropriated to the Atomic Energy Commission by section 101 of this Act, there are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Atomic Energy Commission to accomplish the purposes of this Act such sums of money as may be currently available to the Atomic Energy Commission.

Sec. 106. Funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to start any other new project for which an estimate was not included in this Act if it be a substitute for a project authorized in subsections 101 (a), 101 (d), or 101 (f), and the estimated cost thereof is within the limit of cost of the project for which substitution is to be made, and the Commission certifies that—

(a) the new project is essential to the common defense and security; and

(b) the new project is required by changes in weapon characteristics or weapon logistic operations;

(c) it is unable to enter into a contract with any person, including a licensee, on terms satisfactory to the Commission to furnish from a privately owned plant or facility the product or services to be provided in the new project.

Approved July 11, 1955.

Public Law 142

AN ACT

To provide for the conveyance of a portion of the Fort Devens Military Reservation, Massachusetts, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is authorized to convey to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of land comprising sixty-six acres, more or less, together with buildings and improvements thereon, being a portion of Fort Devens Military Reservation and being the same property now utilized by the Massachusetts National Guard under a license granted by the Secretary of the Army, subject, however, to reservation in the United States of all mineral rights, including gas and oil, in the land authorized to be conveyed by this Act.

Sec. 2. The conveyance of the property identified in section 1 of this Act to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall be made without consideration therefor and upon condition that it shall be used for
training of the National Guard and the Air National Guard and for other military purposes, and in the event it shall not be used for such purposes title thereto shall immediately revert to the United States, and, in addition, title to all improvements made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts during its occupancy shall vest in the United States without payment of compensation therefor. The deed of conveyance shall also provide for such reservations and joint use of facilities as the Secretary of the Army determines as necessary for the use and maintenance of Fort Devens and contain the further provision that whenever the Congress of the United States shall declare a state of war or other national emergency, or the President declares a state of emergency to exist, and upon the determination by the Secretary of Defense that the property so conveyed is useful or necessary for military, air, or naval purposes, or in the interest of national defense, the United States shall have the right without charge to reenter upon the property and use the same or any part thereof, including any and all improvements made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for a period not to exceed the duration of such state of war or national emergency plus six months and upon cessation of such use, such property shall revert to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, together with any or all improvements thereon and appurtenances appertaining thereto.

Sec. 3. The cost of any surveys necessary as an incident of the conveyance authorized herein shall be borne by the grantee.

Approved July 11, 1955.

Public Law 143

CHAPTE R 306

AN ACT

To repeal two provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1268 of the Revised Statutes is repealed.

SEC. 2. The last proviso in subtitle "PAY" of the Act of August 30, 1890 (26 Stat. 400), is repealed.

Approved July 11, 1955.

Public Law 144

CHAPTE R 325

AN ACT

To amend section 201 (d) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended, to provide for advance payments of certain pay and allowances of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end of subsection 201 (d) the following provision: "Any pay and allowances authorized by this Act which will lawfully accrue to members for their return home incident to release from active duty or training duty may be paid to such members prior to their departure from their last duty station incident to such release, without regard to the actual performance of such travel."

Approved July 12, 1955.
Public Law 145
AN ACT
To repeal the Act of January 19, 1929 (ch. 86, 45 Stat. 1090), entitled "An Act to limit the date of filing claims for retainer pay".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of January 19, 1929 (ch. 86, 45 Stat. 1090), is hereby repealed.

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 146
AN ACT
To amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended, to remove the requirement for a final physical examination for inductees who continue on active duty in another status in the Armed Forces.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second sentence of subsection 9 (a) of the Universal Military Training and Service Act (62 Stat. 614), as amended, is amended by changing the final period to a colon and adding at the end thereof the following proviso: "Provided further, That, if upon completion of training and service under this title, such person continues on active duty without an interruption of more than seventy-two hours as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, a physical examination upon completion of such training and service shall not be required unless it is requested by such person, or the medical authorities of the Armed Force concerned determine that the physical examination is warranted."

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 147
AN ACT
To facilitate the settlement of the accounts of deceased members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purposes of this Act the term "Department" shall mean the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, the Department of the Air Force, the Department of the Treasury, the Department of Commerce, or the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, as the case may be, and the terms "uniformed services," "member" and "Secretary" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in section 102 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 804), as amended, on the date of enactment of this Act, except that "the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare" shall be substituted for "the Federal Security Administrator" in the definition of the term "Secretary".

SEC. 2. In the settlement of the account of any deceased member of the uniformed services or of the National Guard or the Air National Guard, the amount found due therein from the uniformed service of which the decedent was a member shall be paid to the person or persons surviving at the date of death in the following order of precedence:

First, to the beneficiary or beneficiaries named to receive any such amount in a written designation executed by the member and received,
prior to his death, in the place designated for such purpose in the regulations of the Department concerned;

Second, if there be no such beneficiary, to the widow or widower of such member;

Third, if there be no beneficiary or surviving spouse, to the child or children of such member, and descendants of deceased children, by representation;

Fourth, if none of the above, to the parents of the member, or the survivor of them; and

Fifth, if there be none of the above, to the duly appointed legal representative of the estate of the deceased member, or if there be none, to the person or persons determined to be entitled thereto under the laws of the domicile of the deceased member.

Sec. 3. Subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Comptroller General of the United States, amounts payable to beneficiaries designated by the member under section 2 of this Act shall be paid by the Department or uniformed service concerned. All other payments under this Act shall be paid upon settlement by the General Accounting Office. Any payment made under this Act shall be a bar to recovery by any other person of any amount so paid.

Sec. 4. Designations of beneficiary under this Act, and changes therein, shall be made under regulations promulgated by the Secretaries concerned, and such regulations shall be uniform for all services in so far as practicable; Provided, That any designation of beneficiary made for the purposes of any six months' death gratuity (including any designation of a person whose right to the gratuity would not depend upon such designation) and heretofore or hereafter received in the Department concerned before the effective date of the payment provisions of this Act shall be considered as a designation of beneficiary for the purposes of this Act, in the absence of a designation of beneficiary under this Act, unless the member making the designation shall have been missing, missing in action, in the hands of a hostile force, or interned in a foreign country during any part of the period between the date of enactment of this Act and the effective date thereof as prescribed in section 5 of this Act.

Sec. 5. The payment provisions of this Act shall be effective only in cases wherein the member's death occurs on or after the first day of the sixth month following the month in which this Act is enacted. The following statutory provisions are repealed as of the effective date of the payment provisions of this Act, except with respect to the deaths of members occurring prior to such effective date:


3. The paragraph in section 1 of the Act of August 4, 1949 (63 Stat. 531), which relates to the settlement of accounts of deceased officers and enlisted persons of the Coast Guard (14 U. S. C. 466).


Approved July 12, 1955.
Public Law 148  
AN ACT  
To amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, and for other purposes.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:  

(a) By adding a new subsection (g) to section 507 to read as follows:  

"(g) The Administrator is hereby authorized to receive duplicate originals or duly authenticated copies of agreements or compacts entered into, pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, between States now or hereafter admitted to the Union, and to take all necessary actions for their preservation and servicing."  

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 149  
AN ACT  
To extend the authority for the enlistment of aliens in the Regular Army.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the Act of June 30, 1950 (ch. 443, 64 Stat. 316), as amended, is further amended by striking out the words "June 30, 1955", and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "June 30, 1957".  

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 150  
AN ACT  
To amend the Public Buildings Purchase Contract Act of 1954.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Public Buildings Act of 1949, as amended, is further amended by redesignating section 412 as section 413 and by inserting a new section 412 reading as follows:  

"SEC. 412. (a) In exercising the authority contained in section 411 within the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia, the Administrator of General Services shall conform to the plan for redevelopment of that area pursuant to the District of Columbia Redevelopment Act of 1945. Purchase contract agreements for this area shall be for terms of not less than ten years nor more than thirty years.  

(b) The Administrator of General Services is authorized to transfer lands of the United States under his control needed by the District of Columbia Redevelopment Land Agency to said Agency within the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia, and in consideration therefor, to accept from said Agency other lands and interests of equivalent value within the same area.  

(c) Whenever the Administrator of General Services initially occupies a building in the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia pursuant to a purchase contract agreement, he shall thereupon cause to be demolished temporary Government building space in the District of Columbia of equivalent occupancy.
“(d) In exercising the authority contained in section 411 within the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia, the Administrator of General Services is hereby authorized, pursuant to section 302 (c) (14) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, to negotiate purchase contracts, in accordance with title III of such Act. In negotiating such contracts, the Administrator shall take all practicable steps to insure competition among prospective contractors.

“(e) The limitation of three years set forth in the second sentence of section 411 (e) shall be read as five years with respect to purchase contracts for projects within the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia.

“(f) In transmitting the prospectus required by section 411 with respect to any proposed purchase contract for a project within the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia, which shall be published in the Federal Register for a period of ten consecutive days from date of submission to the respective committees, the Administrator shall not be required to include the certificate referred to in subdivision (3) of section 411 (e).”

Approved July 12, 1955.

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AN ACT
To declare the portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Connecticut, known as the west branch of Cedar Creek, a nonnavigable stream.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the portion of the waterway in which is located the west branch of Cedar Creek in the town of Bridgeport, Connecticut, lying north of a line extending north 78 degrees 56 minutes 01 second east from a point (773 feet from the northwest corner of the existing bulkhead and pier line) whose coordinates in the Corps of Engineers' Harbor Line System are south 937.23 and west 1,108.40, is hereby declared to be a nonnavigable water of the United States within the meaning of the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Sec. 2. The line herein before described shall be established as a combined pierhead and bulkhead line of the west branch of Cedar Creek.

Sec. 3. Any project heretofore authorized by an Act of Congress, insofar as such project relates to the above-described portion of the west branch of Cedar Creek, is hereby abandoned.

Sec. 4. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved July 12, 1955.

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AN ACT
To declare a certain portion of the waterway at Greenwich, Connecticut (in which is located the Greenwich Harbor), a nonnavigable stream.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the portion of the waterway in which is located the Greenwich Harbor in the town
of Greenwich, Connecticut, lying north of a line extending south 84
degrees 00 minutes and 36 seconds east from a point (365 feet from
the northwest corner of the existing Greenwich Harbor bulkhead and
pier line) whose coordinates in the Corps of Engineers' Harbor Line
System are north 6,244.55 and west 377.41 is hereby declared to be
a nonnavigable water of the United States within the meaning of
the Constitution and laws of the United States.

SEC. 2. The line hereinbefore described shall be established as a
combined pierhead and bulkhead line of the Greenwich Harbor.

SEC. 3. Any project heretofore authorized by any Act of Congress,
insofar as such project relates to the above-described portion of the
Greenwich Harbor, is hereby abandoned.

SEC. 4. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby
expressly reserved. This Act shall become effective when the State
Highway Department of Connecticut has completed the dredging to
a depth of six feet of a compensating anchorage area of nine-tenths
of an acre, to the satisfaction of the Division Engineer of the Corps
of Engineers in charge of the locality.

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 153

AN ACT

July 12, 1955

To authorize voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air
Force for periods of less than one year.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fifth para-
graph under the heading "Pay, Miscellaneous" of the Act of August
22, 1912 (ch. 355, 37 Stat. 331), as amended, is amended by deleting the
word "either" and substituting therefor the words "less than one year
or for a period of"

SEC. 2. The term of enlistment of any enlisted man in the Army and
the Air Force may, by his voluntary written agreement, under such
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary concerned, be
extended for a period of less than one year from the date of expiration
of the then existing term of enlistment, and subsequent to said date
such enlisted men as extend the term of enlistment as authorized in this
section shall be entitled to and shall receive the same pay and allow-
ances in all respects as though regularly discharged and reenlisted
immediately upon expiration of their term of enlistment, and such
extension shall not operate to deprive them upon discharge at the
termination thereof of any right, privilege, or benefit to which they
would be entitled at the expiration of the former term of enlistment.

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 154

AN ACT

July 12, 1955

Relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding
the provisions of section 11 of the Act entitled "An Act to create a
legislative assembly in the Territory of Alaska, to confer legislative
power thereon, and for other purposes", approved August 24, 1912 (48 U. S. C., sec. 82), any member of the legislature may be a candidate for election as a delegate in the formation of a constitutional convention and if elected may serve at such convention.

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 155

An Act

Chapter 336

July 12, 1955

[54. 1993]

Authorizing the installation of additional elevators in the Senate wing of the Capitol.

Capitol Elevators.

Appropriation.

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SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of $285,000 to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 156

An Act

Chapter 337

July 12, 1955

[54. 2135]

To provide for the suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps ordered to extended active duty in time of war or national emergency, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 10 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 854), as amended, is further amended by deleting the final period, inserting a colon in lieu thereof, and adding the following new proviso: "Provided further, That in the case of any member of the Naval or Marine Corps Reserve receiving a pension, retainer pay, disability compensation, or retired pay from the Government of the United States by virtue of prior military service who is ordered to extended active duty in excess of thirty days in time of war or national emergency and is found physically qualified to perform active duty, entitlement to the pension, retainer pay, disability compensation, or retired pay shall be suspended for the period of the extended active duty unless that compensation is greater than the compensation specified in clause (1) of this section. During the period of such suspension the member shall receive compensation for such extended active duty as specified in clause (1) of this section. Upon termination of the period of extended active duty the pension, retainer pay, disability compensation, or retired pay of the member shall be resumed and paid as provided by law. The suspension herein provided shall not operate to affect any other rights or benefits to which the member or his dependents may be entitled under this or any other provision of law."
Sec. 2. Section 2 of the Act of September 27, 1950 (ch. 1053, 64 Stat. 1067), is amended by inserting before the final period a colon and the following proviso: "Provided, That in the case of any such member receiving a pension, retirement pay, disability compensation, or retired pay from the Government of the United States by virtue of prior military service who is ordered to extended active duty for a period in excess of thirty days in time of war or national emergency and is found physically qualified to perform active duty, entitlement to the pension, retirement pay, disability compensation, or retired pay shall be suspended for the period of the extended active duty unless that compensation is greater than the compensation specified in clause (1) of this section. During the period of extended active duty the member shall receive the compensation for that duty specified in clause (1) of this section. Upon termination of the period of extended active duty the pension, retirement pay, disability compensation, or retired pay of the member shall be resumed and paid as provided by law. The suspension herein provided shall not operate to affect any other rights or benefits to which the member or his dependents may be entitled under this or any other provision of law."

Sec. 3. Section 3 of the Act of September 27, 1950 (ch. 1053, 64 Stat. 1067), is hereby amended by changing the comma after "1947" to a period and striking out the words "and shall terminate five years after the date of approval of this Act."

Sec. 4. The term "disability allowance" is deleted from section 10 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 854), as amended, and from 34 USC 953e-1.

Approved July 12, 1955.

Public Law 157

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, for military functions administered by the Department of Defense, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Office of the Secretary of Defense, including hire of passenger motor vehicles; and not to exceed $60,000 for emergency and extraordinary expenses, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of Defense for such purposes as he deems proper, and his determination thereon shall be final and conclusive; $12,250,000.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

For salaries and expenses necessary for the Office of Public Affairs, $420,000.
For payment of claims by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Army (except as provided in appropriations for civil functions administered by the Department of the Army), Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force, as authorized by law; claims (not to exceed $1,000 in any one case) for damages to or loss of private property incident to the operation of Army and Air National Guard camps of instruction, either during the stay of units of said organizations at such camps or while en route thereto or therefrom; claims for damages arising under training contracts with carriers; and repayment of amounts determined by the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, or the Secretary of the Air Force, or officers designated by them, to have been erroneously collected from military and civilian personnel of the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force or from States, Territories, or the District of Columbia, or members of National Guard units thereof; $11,930,000.

**CONTINGENCIES**

For emergencies and extraordinary expenses arising in the Department of Defense, to be expended on the approval or authority of the Secretary of Defense and such expenses may be accounted for solely on his certificate that the expenditures were necessary for confidential military purposes, $40,000,000: Provided, That a report of disbursements under this item of appropriation shall be made quarterly to the Appropriations Committees of the Congress.

**EMERGENCY FUND**

For transfer by the Secretary of Defense, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, to any appropriation for military functions under the Department of Defense available for research and development, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes, and for the same time period, as the appropriation to which transferred, $35,000,000 and in addition not to exceed $50,000,000 to be used upon determination by the Secretary of Defense that such funds can be wisely, profitably, and practically used in the interest of national defense and to be derived by transfer from such appropriations available to the Department of Defense for obligation during the current fiscal year as the Secretary of Defense may designate.

**RESERVE TOOLS AND FACILITIES**

For transfer by the Secretary of Defense, with the approval of the Director, Bureau of the Budget, to any appropriation for military functions under the Department of Defense available for procurement, to be merged with and to be available for the same time period as the appropriations to which transferred, for mobilization reserve purposes, including purchase of machine tools; and construction and acquisition of production facilities, including land, buildings, and appurtenances therefor; $100,000,000.
Retired Pay

For retired pay and retirement pay, as authorized by law, of military personnel on the retired lists of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and the Air Force, including the reserve components thereof; retainer pay for personnel of the inactive Fleet Reserve, and payments under the Uniformed Services Contingency Option Act of 1953; $495,000,000.

Court of Military Appeals

For salaries and expenses necessary for the Court of Military Appeals, $320,000.

Title III

Department of the Army

Military Personnel

For pay, allowances, individual clothing, interest on deposits, and permanent change of station travel, for members of the Army on active duty (except those undergoing reserve training); expenses incident to movement of troop detachments, including rental of camp sites and procurement of utility and other services; expenses of apprehension and delivery of deserters, prisoners, and soldiers absent without leave, including payment of rewards (not to exceed $25 in any one case), and costs of confinement of military prisoners in nonmilitary facilities; donations of not to exceed $25 to each prisoner upon each release from confinement in an Army prison (other than a disciplinary barracks) and to each person discharged for fraudulent enlistment; authorized issues of articles to prisoners, other than those in disciplinary barracks; subsistence of enlisted personnel, selective service registrants called for induction and applicants for enlistment while held under observation, and prisoners (except those at disciplinary barracks), or reimbursement therefor while such personnel are sick in hospitals; and subsistence of supernumeraries necessitated by emergent military circumstances; $3,679,095,000: Provided, That section 212 of the Act of June 30, 1932 (5 U. S. C. 59a), shall not apply to retired military personnel on duty at the United States Soldiers' Home: Provided further, That the duties of the librarian at the United States Military Academy may be performed by a retired officer detailed on active duty.

Maintenance and Operations

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for the maintenance and operation of the Army, including administration and rentals at the seat of government; medical and dental care of personnel entitled thereto by law or regulation (including charges of private facilities for care of military personnel on duty or leave, except elective private treatment), and other measures necessary to protect the health of the Army; care of the dead; chaplains' activities; awards and medals; welfare and recreation; information and educational services for the Armed Forces; recruiting expenses; subsistence of prisoners at disciplinary barracks, and of civilian employees as authorized by law; expenses of apprehension and delivery of prisoners escaped from disciplinary barracks, including payment of rewards not exceeding $25 in any one case, and expenses of confinement of such prisoners in nonmilitary facilities; donations of not to exceed $25 to each prisoner upon each release from confinement in a disciplinary
barracks; military courts, boards, and commissions; authorized issues of articles for use of applicants for enlistment and persons in military custody; civilian clothing, not to exceed $80 in cost, to be issued each person upon each release from confinement in an Army prison and to each soldier discharged otherwise than honorably, or sentenced by a civil court to confinement in a civil prison, or interned or discharged as an alien enemy; transportation services; communications services, including construction of communication systems; maps and similar data for military purposes; military surveys and engineering planning; contracts for maintenance of reserve tools and facilities for twelve months beginning at any time during the current fiscal year; alteration, extension, and repair of structures and property; acquisition of lands (not exceeding $6,000 for any one parcel), easements, rights-of-way, and similar interests in land, and, in administering the provisions of 43 U. S. C. 315q, rentals may be paid in advance; utility services for buildings erected at private cost, as authorized by law (10 U. S. C. 1346), and buildings on military reservations authorized by Army regulations to be used for a similar purpose; purchase of ambulances; hire of passenger motor vehicles; tuition and fees incident to training of military personnel at civilian institutions; field exercises and maneuvers, including payments in advance for rentals or options to rent land; expenses for the Reserve Officers' Training Corps and other units at educational institutions, as authorized by law; exchange fees, and losses in the accounts of disbursing officers or agents in accordance with law; expenses of inter-American cooperation, as authorized for the Navy by law (5 U. S. C. 421f) for Latin-American cooperation; not to exceed $6,266,000 for emergencies and extraordinary expenses, to be expended on the approval or authority of the Secretary of the Army, and payments may be made on his certificate of necessity for confidential military purposes, and his determination shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers of the Government; $2,831,019,000: Provided, That during the fiscal year 1956 the maintenance, operation, and availability of the Army-Navy Hospital at Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas, and the Murphy General Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts, to meet requirements of the military and naval forces shall be continued.

**Military Construction, Army Reserve Forces**

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the reserve components, including contributions therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 11, 1950 (64 Stat. 829), without regard to sections 1136 and 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and land and interests therein may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; and hire of passenger motor vehicles; $31,611,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That funds under this head shall be available, without regard to the 75 per centum restriction on contributions contained in section 4 (d) of the Act of September 11, 1950, for construction, alteration, improvement, and expansion of facilities made necessary by the conversion, redesignation, or reorganization of National Guard units, required for Federal purposes, and in an amount not exceeding $8,000,000 for construction of buildings and facilities other than armories.
For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation, travel and related expenses, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Army Reserve while on active duty under section 252 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952, or undergoing Reserve training or while performing drills or equivalent duty, and for members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps; subsistence for members of the Army Reserve for drills of eight or more hours' duration in any one calendar day; $141,689,000.

**Army National Guard**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation, and travel, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Army National Guard while on duty under section 252 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952, or while undergoing training or while performing drills or equivalent duties; expenses of training, organizing and administering the Army National Guard, including maintenance, operation, and alterations to structures and facilities; hire of passenger motor vehicles; personal services in the National Guard Bureau and services of personnel of the National Guard employed as civilians without regard to their military rank, and the number of caretakers authorized to be employed under provisions of law (32 U.S.C. 42) may be such as is deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Army; subsistence for officers attending drills of eight or more hours duration in any one calendar day; travel expenses (other than mileage), as authorized by law for Army personnel on active duty, for Army National Guard division, regimental, and battalion commanders while inspecting units in compliance with National Guard regulations when specifically authorized by the Chief, National Guard Bureau; supplying and equipping the Army National Guard of the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia, as authorized by law; and expenses of repair, modification, maintenance, and issue of supplies and equipment (including aircraft); $308,239,000; **Provided, That obligations may be incurred under this appropriation for installation, maintenance, and operation of facilities for antiaircraft defense without regard to section 67 of the National Defense Act.**

**Research and Development**

For expenses necessary for basic and applied scientific research and development, including maintenance, rehabilitation, lease and operation of facilities and equipment, as authorized by law, $383,000,000, to remain available until expended.

**National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice, Army**

For necessary expenses of construction, equipment and maintenance of rifle ranges, the instruction of citizens in marksmanship, and promotion of rifle practice, in accordance with law, including travel of rifle teams, military personnel, and individuals attending regional, national, and international competitions, and not to exceed $18,000 for incidental expenses of the National Board, $400,000; **Provided, That travel expenses of civilian members of the National Board shall be paid in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, as amended.**
ALASKA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

For expenses necessary for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the Alaska Communication System, including purchase (not to exceed two for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles, $5,000,000, to remain available until the close of the fiscal year 1957, and, in addition, not to exceed 15 per centum of the current fiscal year receipts of the Alaska Communication System may be merged with and used for the purposes of this appropriation.

REDUCTION IN APPROPRIATION

ARMY STOCK FUND

The amount available in the Army Stock Fund is hereby reduced by $700,000,000, of which sum $400,000,000 shall be covered into the Treasury immediately upon approval of this Act, and $300,000,000 shall be covered into the Treasury no later than December 31, 1955.

TITLE IV

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

MILITARY PERSONNEL, NAVY

For pay, allowances, subsistence, interest on deposits, gratuities, clothing, permanent change of station travel (including expenses of temporary duty between permanent duty stations), training duty travel of midshipmen paid hereunder, and transportation of dependents, household effects, and privately owned automobiles, as authorized by law, for regular and reserve personnel on active duty (except those on active duty while undergoing reserve training), midshipmen at the Naval Academy, and aviation cadets, $2,486,109,900.

RESERVE PERSONNEL, NAVY

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, gratuities, and travel, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Naval Reserve on active duty while undergoing reserve training, or while performing drills or equivalent duty, regular and contract enrollees in the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps, and retainer pay authorized by the Act of August 13, 1946 (34 U. S. C. 1020h), $91,811,000.

NAVY PERSONNEL, GENERAL EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for general training, education and administration of regular and reserve personnel, including tuition, cash book allowances of not to exceed $50 for each Naval Aviation College program student, and other costs incurred at civilian schools, general training aids and devices, procurement of military personnel, and authorized annuity premiums and retirement benefits for civilian members of teaching staffs; maintenance and operation of Navy training and personnel facilities, including the Naval Academy, Naval Postgraduate School, Naval War College, Naval Home, Navy training schools and facilities, disciplinary barracks, and retraining commands; rent; hire of motor vehicles; not to exceed $30 per person for civilian clothing, including an overcoat when necessary, for enlisted personnel discharged otherwise than honorably; welfare and recreation; medals and other awards; and departmental salaries; $83,000,000.
MILITARY PERSONNEL, MARINE CORPS

For pay, allowances, subsistence, interest on deposits, gratuities, clothing, permanent change of station travel (including expenses of temporary duty between permanent duty stations), and transportation of dependents, household effects, and privately owned automobiles, as authorized by law, for regular and reserve personnel on active duty (except those on active duty while undergoing reserve training), $650,244,000.

RESERVE PERSONNEL, MARINE CORPS

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, gratuities, and travel, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Marine Corps Reserve and the Marine Corps platoon leaders class on active duty while undergoing reserve training, or while performing drills or equivalent duty, $20,606,000.

MARINE CORPS PROCUREMENT

For expenses necessary for the procurement, manufacture, and modification of armament, ammunition, military equipment and vehicles for the Marine Corps, including purchase of passenger motor vehicles; $290,190,000, to remain available until expended.

MARINE CORPS TROOPS AND FACILITIES

For necessary expenses of troops and facilities of the Marine Corps not otherwise provided for, including maintenance and operation of equipment and facilities, and procurement of military personnel; training and education of regular and reserve personnel, including tuition and other costs incurred at civilian schools; welfare and recreation; not to exceed $30 per person for civilian clothing, including an overcoat when necessary, for enlisted personnel discharged otherwise than honorably; procurement and manufacture of military supplies, equipment and clothing; hire of passenger motor vehicles; transportation of things; industrial mobilization; rent; medals, awards, emblems and other insignia; care of the dead; and departmental salaries; $181,605,000.

AIRCRAFT AND RELATED PROCUREMENT

For construction, procurement, and modernization of aircraft and equipment, including ordnance, spare parts, and accessories therefor; specialized equipment; expansion of public and not to exceed $10,000,000 for expansion of private plants, including the land necessary therefor, without regard to section 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and such land, and interests therein, may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; procurement and installation of equipment in public or private plants; and departmental salaries necessary for the purposes of this appropriation; $905,602,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the unexpended balances of funds appropriated for communication, navigation, and detection equipment for air operations under the head "Aircraft and Facilities" which, as originally passed by the Congress, were available for expenditure on June 30, 1955, are hereby transferred to and merged with this appropriation.
AIRCRAFT AND FACILITIES

For expenses necessary for maintenance, operation, and modification of aircraft; maintenance, operation, and lease of air stations and facilities, testing laboratories, fleet and other aviation activities; procurement of services, supplies, special clothing, tools, materials, and equipment, including rescue boats; industrial mobilization; aerological services, supplies, and equipment for the Navy and Marine Corps; and departmental salaries; $809,632,000: Provided, That $725,000 of the foregoing amount shall be transferred to the appropriation “Salaries and expenses, Weather Bureau, Department of Commerce”, fiscal year 1956.

SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION

For expenses necessary for the construction, acquisition, or conversion of vessels as authorized by law, including armor and armament therefor, plant equipment, appliances, and machine tools, and installation thereof in public or private plants; procurement, production, and modernization of electronic equipment and material for ships; procurement of critical long lead time components and designs for vessels to be constructed or converted in the future; expansion of public and private plants, including land necessary therefor, without regard to section 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and such land, and interests therein, may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; and departmental salaries necessary for the purposes of this appropriation; $1,387,634,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That, exclusive of electronic equipment and material, the total of obligations incurred under the heads “Shipbuilding and Conversion” and “Ordnance for Shipbuilding and Conversion”, including those incurred against reimbursements credited to these appropriations pursuant to section 403 (b) of the Mutual Assistance Act of 1949, as amended (22 U. S. C. 1574 (b)), and section 522 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 855), shall not exceed $5,709,690,000: Provided further, That the unexpended balances of funds appropriated for communication, navigation, and detection equipment for ships under the head “Ships and Facilities” which, as originally passed by the Congress, were available for expenditure on June 30, 1955, are hereby transferred to and merged with this appropriation.

SHIPS AND FACILITIES

For expenses necessary for design, maintenance, operation, and alteration of vessels; maintenance and operation of facilities; procurement of plant equipment, appliances, and machine tools, and installation thereof in public or private plants; procurement of equipment, supplies, special clothing and services; installation, maintenance, and removal of ships’ ordnance; lease of facilities and docks; charter and hire of vessels; relief of vessels in distress; maritime salvage services; industrial mobilization; and departmental salaries; $779,685,000, of which $16,240,000 shall be transferred to the appropriation “Coast Guard Operating Expenses, 1956” for the operation of ocean stations.

CONSTRUCTION OF SHIPS

The limit on the total of obligations which may be incurred under this head for construction, conversion, or replacement, approved after July 17, 1947, is reduced from “$1,251,861,000” to “$1,243,289,000”,
and the authority to enter into contracts heretofore granted under this head is reduced by the sum of $8,572,000.

**PROCUREMENT OF ORDNANCE AND AMMUNITION**

For expenses necessary for the production and procurement of Navy ordnance and ammunition (except ordnance for new aircraft, new ships, and ships authorized for conversion; expansion of public and private plants, including land necessary therefor, without regard to section 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and such land, and interests therein, may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; and procurement of plant equipment, appliances, and machine tools, and installation thereof in public or private plants; $185,842,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such sums as may be determined by the Secretary of the Navy, with the approval of the Secretary of Defense and the Bureau of the Budget, of the unexpended balances of funds appropriated for the foregoing purposes under the head "Ordnance and Facilities" which, as originally passed by the Congress, were available for expenditure on June 30, 1955, are hereby transferred to and merged with this appropriation.

**ORDNANCE AND FACILITIES**

For expenses necessary for inspection, testing, modification, alteration, preservation, and handling of ordnance and ammunition; maintenance of ordnance (except installation, maintenance, and removal of ships' ordnance, and line maintenance of ordnance installed in aircraft); maintenance and operation of ordnance facilities; procurement of equipment, supplies, special clothing and services; procurement of plant equipment, appliances, and machine tools, and installation thereof in naval plants; lease of facilities; industrial mobilization; and departmental salaries; $182,889,000.

**ORDNANCE FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)**

For liquidation of obligations incurred pursuant to authority heretofore granted under this head, $28,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That this amount may be disbursed through the appropriation "Ordnance for New Construction, Navy".

**MEDICAL CARE**

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of naval hospitals, medical centers, clinics, schools, and other medical activities; technical medical support of the supply system and other naval activities; procurement of ambulances, medical and dental supplies, equipment and services; rent; instruction of medical personnel in naval hospitals, naval schools, and civilian schools; industrial mobilization; care of the dead; and departmental salaries; $62,494,556.

**CIVIL ENGINEERING**

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of district public works offices, public works centers, construction battalion centers, defense housing projects, other civil engineering facilities, and shore activities not otherwise provided for; procurement of services,
supplies, and equipment for the foregoing activities; purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; engineering services; industrial mobilization; and departmental salaries; $120,069,700.

**MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVAL RESERVE FORCES**

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the reserve components of the Navy and Marine Corps, including contributions therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 11, 1950 (64 Stat. 829), without regard to section 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and land and interests therein may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; $28,061,400, to remain available until expended.

**RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

For expenses necessary for basic and applied scientific research and development, including maintenance, rehabilitation, lease, and operation of facilities and equipment, as authorized by law, $431,933,000, to remain available until expended.

**SERVICE-WIDE SUPPLY AND FINANCE**

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of service-wide supply and finance activities, including supply depots and centers, area provision supply and purchasing offices, supply demand control points, fleet fueling facilities, overseas air cargo terminals, regional accounting and disbursing offices, the material catalog office, and other service-wide supply and finance facilities, as designated by the Secretary; procurement of supplies, services, special clothing, and equipment; rent; transportation of household effects of civilian employees; industrial mobilization; losses in exchange and in the accounts of disbursing officers, as authorized by law; and departmental salaries; $295,600,000.

**SERVICE-WIDE OPERATIONS**

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of the Naval Observatory, the Hydrographic Office, Service-wide Communications, Naval Records Centers, Naval District Headquarters (except training officers), River Commands, the cost inspection service, and other service-wide operations and functions not otherwise provided for; procurement of supplies, services, and equipment for activities financed hereunder; cryptographic equipment; Latin-American cooperation; not to exceed $9,177,000 for emergencies and extraordinary expenses as authorized by section 6 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 419c), to be expended on the approval and authority of the Secretary, and his determination shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers of the Government; and departmental salaries; $94,320,000.

**NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVES**

For expenses necessary for exploration, prospecting, conservation, development, use, and operation of the naval petroleum reserves, as authorized by law, $2,851,000.
REDUCTIONS IN APPROPRIATIONS

The amounts available in the several funds named below are hereby reduced by the respective sums indicated, such sums to be covered into the Treasury immediately upon approval of this Act:

Navy Stock Fund, $429,000,000;
Marine Corps Stock Fund, $25,000,000;
Navy Industrial Fund, $40,000,000.

TITLE V

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

AIRCRAFT AND RELATED PROCUREMENT

For construction, procurement, and modification of aircraft and equipment, armor and armament, spare parts and accessories therefor; specialized equipment; expansion of public and private plants, Government-owned equipment and installation thereof in such plants, erection of structures, and acquisition of land without regard to section 1136, Revised Statutes, as amended, for the foregoing and other purposes, and such land, and interests therein, may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; industrial mobilization, including maintenance of reserve plants and equipment and procurement planning; and other expenses necessary for the foregoing purposes, including rents and transportation of things; $6,306,000,000, to remain available until expended.

MAJOR PROCUREMENT OTHER THAN AIRCRAFT

For procurement of supplies, materials, and equipment, and spare parts therefor, not otherwise provided for; electronic and communication equipment; and the purchase of passenger motor vehicles; $349,862,600, to remain available until expended.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For expenses necessary for basic and applied scientific research and development, including maintenance, rehabilitation, lease and operation of facilities and equipment, as authorized by law, $570,000,000, to remain available until expended.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for the maintenance, operation, and administration of the activities of the Air Force, including the Air Force Reserve and the Air Reserve Officers' Training Corps; maintenance, operation, and modification of aircraft; transportation of things; rents at the seat of government and elsewhere, and in administering the provisions of 43 U. S. C. 315q payments of rents may be made in advance; repair of facilities; field printing plants; procurement of ambulances; hire of passenger motor vehicles; recruiting advertising expenses; training and instruction of military personnel of the Air Force, including tuition and related expenses; pay, allowances, and travel expenses of contract surgeons; utility services for buildings erected at private cost as authorized by law (10 U. S. C. 1346), and buildings on military reservations authorized by Air Force regulations to be used for
welfare and recreational purposes; rental of land or purchase of options to rent land without reference to section 3648, Revised Statutes, as amended, use or repair of private property, and other necessary expenses of combat maneuvers; organizational clothing and equipage; civilian clothing not to exceed $30 in cost for each person upon each release from a military prison, each enlisted man discharged other than honorably, each enlisted man sentenced by a civil court to confinement in a civil prison, and each enlisted man interned, or discharged without internment as an alien enemy; authorized issues of articles for use of applicants for enlistment and persons in military custody; payment of exchange fees and exchange losses incurred by Air Force disbursing officers or their agents; losses in the accounts of Air Force disbursing officers as authorized by law (31 U. S. C. 95a; 50 U. S. C. 1705-1707); care of the dead; chaplain and other welfare and morale supplies and equipment; conduct of schoolrooms, service clubs, chapels, and other instructional, entertainment, and welfare expenses for enlisted men and patients not otherwise provided for; awards and decorations; expenses of courts, boards and commissions; expenses for inter-American cooperation as authorized for the Navy by the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 421f) for Latin-American cooperation; and special services by contract or otherwise; not to exceed $8,000,000 for emergencies and extraordinary expenses, to be expended on the approval or authority of the Secretary of the Air Force, and payments may be made on his certificate of necessity for confidential military purposes, and his determination shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers of the Government; $3,597,496,570: Provided, That not to exceed $55,000,000 of the appropriation "Maintenance and operations, Air Force, 1955" shall remain available until expended solely for the liquidation of obligations heretofore incurred against such appropriation for assist take-off units and armaments.

**MILITARY PERSONNEL**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation, interest on deposits of enlisted personnel, and travel in kind for cadets and permanent change of station travel for all other personnel of the Air Force of the United States on active duty including duty under section 5, National Defense Act, as amended, or section 255 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952 (50 U. S. C. 1003) (other than personnel of the reserve components, including the Air National Guard, on active duty while undergoing Reserve training), including commutation of quarters, subsistence supplies for issue as rations to enlisted personnel, and clothing allowances, as authorized by law; and, in connection with personnel paid from this appropriation, for rental of camp sites and local procurement of utility services and other necessary expenses incident to individual or troop movements (including packing and unpacking and transportation of organizational equipment); ice, meals for recruiting parties, monetary allowances for liquid coffee for troops when supplied cooked or travel rations, and commutation of rations, as authorized by law, to enlisted personnel, including those sick in hospitals; transportation, as authorized by law, of dependents, baggage, and household effects of personnel paid from this appropriation; rations for applicants for enlistment, prisoners of war, and general prisoners; subsistence supplies for resale, as authorized by law; commutation of rations, as authorized by regulations, to applicants for enlistment and general prisoners while sick in hospitals; subsistence of supernumeraries necessitated by emergent military circumstances; expenses of apprehension and delivery of
deserters, prisoners, and members of the Air Force absent without leave, including payment of rewards (not to exceed $25 in any one case); confinement of military prisoners in nonmilitary facilities; and donations of not to exceed $25 to each civilian prisoner upon each release from a military prison, to each enlisted man discharged otherwise than honorably upon each release from confinement under court-martial sentence, and to each person discharged for fraudulent enlistment; $3,680,650,000.

RESERVE PERSONNEL

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, and travel for personnel of the Air Force Reserve and the Air Reserve Officers' Training Corps, while on active duty undergoing Reserve training or while performing drills or equivalent duty, as authorized by law; and the procurement and issue of uniforms to institutions necessary for the training of the Air Reserve Officers' Training Corps, as authorized by law; $43,563,000.

AIR NATIONAL GUARD

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation (including mileage, actual and necessary expenses, or per diem in lieu thereof), medical and hospital treatment and related expenses, for members of the Air National Guard while undergoing Reserve training or while performing drills or equivalent duty, including officers on duty under sections 5 and 81, National Defense Act, as amended, and section 252 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952 (50 U. S. C. 1003), as authorized by law; travel expenses (other than mileage) on the same basis as authorized by law for Air National Guard personnel on active Federal duty, of Air National Guard commanders while inspecting units in compliance with National Guard regulations when specifically authorized by the Chief, National Guard Bureau; establishment, maintenance, operation, repair, and other necessary expenses of facilities for the training and administration of the Air National Guard, including construction of facilities, and additions, extensions, alterations, improvements, and rehabilitation of existing facilities, as authorized by the Act of September 11, 1950 (Public Law 783); maintenance, operation, and modification of aircraft; transportation of things; purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; procurement and issue to the Air National Guard of the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia of supplies, materials, and equipment, as authorized by law; and expenses incident to the maintenance and use of supplies, materials, and equipment, including such as may be furnished from stocks under the control of agencies of the Department of Defense; $192,191,000: Provided, That the number of caretakers authorized to be employed under the provisions of law (32 U. S. C. 42) may be such as is deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Air Force.

REDUCTIONS IN APPROPRIATIONS

AIR FORCE STOCK FUND

The amount available in the Air Force Stock Fund is hereby reduced by $300,000,000, such sum to be covered into the Treasury immediately upon approval of this Act.
The amount available in the Air Force Industrial Fund is hereby reduced by $155,000,000, such sum to be covered into the Treasury immediately upon approval of this Act.

**TITLE VI**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Sec. 601.** During the current fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretaries of the Air Force, Army, and Navy, respectively, if they should deem it advantageous to the national defense, and if in their opinions, the existing facilities of the Department of Defense are inadequate, are authorized to procure services in accordance with section 16 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates for individuals not in excess of $50 per day, and to pay in connection therewith travel expenses of individuals, including actual transportation and per diem in lieu of subsistence while traveling from their homes or places of business to official duty station and return as may be authorized by law: Provided, That such contracts may be renewed annually.

**Sec. 602.** Hereafter, section 3648, Revised Statutes, shall not apply in the case of payments made from appropriations to the Department of Defense, (1) to payments made in compliance with the laws of foreign countries or their ministerial regulations, (2) to payments for rent in such countries for such periods as may be necessary to accord with local custom, or (3) to payments made for tuition.

**Sec. 603.** During the current fiscal year, provisions of law prohibiting the payment of compensation to, or employment of, any person not a citizen of the United States shall not apply to personnel of the Department of Defense.

**Sec. 604.** Hereafter, such military and naval personnel as may be detailed for duty with agencies not a part of the Department of Defense on a reimbursement basis may be employed in addition to the numbers otherwise authorized and appropriated for.

**Sec. 605.** Appropriations contained in this Act shall be available for insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries, when required by laws of such countries; payments in advance of expenses determined by the investigating officer to be necessary and in accord with local custom for conducting investigations in foreign countries incident to matters relating to the activities of the department concerned; reimbursement of General Services Administration for security guard services for protection of confidential files; and all necessary expenses, at the seat of government of the United States of America or elsewhere, in connection with (1) instruction and training, including tuition, specifically approved by the Secretary of the Department concerned and not otherwise provided for, of civilian employees, and (2) communication and other services and supplies as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act: Provided, That no appropriation contained in this Act, and no funds available from prior appropriations to component departments and agencies of the Department of Defense, shall be used to pay tuition or to make other payments to educational institutions in connection with the instruction or training of file clerks, stenographers, and typists receiving, or prospective file clerks, stenographers, and typists who will receive compensation at a rate below the minimum rate of pay for positions allocated to grade GS-5 under the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.
SEC. 606. Any appropriation available to the Air Force, Army, or the Navy may, under such regulations as the Secretary concerned may prescribe, be used for expenses incident to the maintenance, pay, and allowances of prisoners of war, other persons in Air Force, Army, or Navy custody whose status is determined by the Secretary concerned to be similar to prisoners of war, and persons detained in such custody pursuant to Presidential proclamation.

SEC. 607. Appropriations available to the Department of Defense for the current fiscal year for construction or maintenance shall be available for minor construction (except family quarters), conversion of and extensions to existing structures, and improvements, at facilities of the Department concerned, but the cost of any project authorized under this section which is not otherwise authorized shall not exceed the following cost limitations, but only one allotment shall be made for any one project or unit: (a) any such project determined by the Secretary of Defense to be urgently required in the interests of national defense, $200,000; (b) any such project determined by the Secretary of the Department concerned to be urgently required in the interests of national defense, $50,000; and (c) any other such project, $25,000: Provided, That the cost limitations of this section shall not apply to amounts authorized to be expended for emergency expenses on the approval of the Secretary concerned: Provided further, That the cost of converting existing structures to family quarters pursuant to the authority contained in this section shall not exceed $50,000 during the current fiscal year at any single facility of the Department concerned.

SEC. 608. During the current fiscal year, appropriations otherwise available for construction of family quarters for personnel shall not be obligated for such construction at a cost per family unit in excess of $20,000 on housing units for generals or equivalent; $19,000 on housing units for colonels or equivalent; $18,000 on housing units for majors and lieutenant colonels, or equivalent; $14,000 on housing units for second lieutenants, lieutenants, captains, and warrant officers, or equivalent; or $12,000 on housing units for enlisted personnel, except that when such units are constructed outside the continental United States or in Alaska, the average cost per unit of all such units shall not exceed $25,850 and in no event shall the individual cost exceed $35,000, except units for the Alaska Communication System the individual cost of which shall not exceed $40,000.

SEC. 609. Appropriations for the Department of Defense for the current fiscal year shall be available, (a) except as authorized by the Act of September 30, 1950 (20 U. S. C. 236–244), for primary and secondary schooling for dependents of military and civilian personnel of the Department of Defense residing on military or naval installations or stationed in foreign countries, as authorized for the Navy by section 13 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 421d) in amounts not exceeding an average of $240 per student, when the Secretary of the Department concerned finds that schools, if any, available in the locality, are unable to provide adequately for the education of such dependents; (b) for expenses in connection with administration of occupied areas; (c) for payment of rewards as authorized for the Navy by the Act of August 2, 1946, for information leading to the discovery of missing naval property or the recovery thereof; (d) for payment of deficiency judgments and interest thereon arising out of condemnation proceedings.

SEC. 610. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used directly or indirectly except for temporary employment in case of emergency, for the payment of any civilian for services rendered by him on the Canal Zone while occupying a skilled, technical,
clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory position unless such person is a citizen of the United States of America or the Republic of Panama: Provided, however, (1) That, notwithstanding the provision in the Act approved August 11, 1939 (53 Stat. 1409), limiting employment in the above-mentioned positions to citizens of the United States from and after the date of approval of said Act, citizens of Panama may be employed in such positions; (2) that at no time shall the number of Panamanian citizens employed in the above-mentioned positions exceed the number of citizens of the United States so employed, if United States citizens are available in continental United States or on the Canal Zone; (3) that nothing in this Act shall prohibit the continued employment of any person who shall have rendered fifteen or more years of faithful and honorable service on the Canal Zone; (4) that in the selection of personnel for skilled, technical, administrative, clerical, supervisory, or executive positions the controlling factors in filling these positions shall be efficiency, experience, training, and education; (5) that all citizens of Panama and the United States rendering skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory service on the Canal Zone under the terms of this Act (a) shall normally be employed not more than forty hours per week, (b) may receive as compensation equal rates of pay based upon rates paid for similar employment in continental United States plus 25 per centum; (6) this entire section shall apply only to persons employed in skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory positions on the Canal Zone directly or indirectly by any branch of the United States Government or by any corporation or company whose stock is owned wholly or in part by the United States Government: Provided further, That the President may suspend from time to time in whole or in part compliance with this section if he should deem such course to be in the public interest.

SEC. 611. Insofar as practicable, the Secretary of Defense shall assist American small business to participate equitably in the furnishing of commodities and services financed with funds appropriated under this Act by making available or causing to be made available to suppliers in the United States, and particularly to small independent enterprises, information, as far in advance as possible, with respect to purchases proposed to be financed with funds appropriated under this Act, and by making available or causing to be made available to purchasing and contracting agencies of the Department of Defense information as to commodities and services produced and furnished by small independent enterprises in the United States, and by otherwise helping to give small business an opportunity to participate in the furnishing of commodities and services financed with funds appropriated by this Act.

SEC. 612. No appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for expenses of operation of messes (other than organized messes the operating expenses of which are financed principally from nonappropriated funds) at which meals are sold to officers or civilians except under regulations approved by the Secretary of Defense, which shall (except under unusual or extraordinary circumstances) establish rates for such meals sufficient to provide reimbursement of operating expenses and food costs to the appropriations concerned: Provided, That officers and civilians in a travel status receiving a per diem allowance in lieu of subsistence shall be charged at the rate of not less than $2.25 per day: Provided further, That for the purposes of this section payments for meals at the rates established hereunder may be made in cash or by deductions from the pay of civilian employees.
SEC. 613. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available until expended unless expressly so provided elsewhere in this or some other appropriation Act.

SEC. 614. Hereafter, no part of any appropriation to the Department of Defense shall be available for or on account of the supply or replacement of table linen, dishes, glassware, silver, and kitchen utensils for use in the residences or quarters of officers on shore (other than for field messes, messes temporarily set up on shore for bachelor officers and officers attached to seagoing or district defense vessels, to aviation units based on seagoing vessels, to the fleet air bases, to the submarine bases, or to landing forces and expeditions), except in accordance with regulations approved by the Secretary of Defense, which shall provide for uniform practices among all of the services.

SEC. 615. Not more than $31,000,000 of the amounts received during the current fiscal year by the Department of Defense as proceeds from the sale of scrap or salvage materials, shall be available during the current fiscal year for expenses of transportation, demilitarization, and other preparation for sale or salvage of military supplies, equipment, and material: Provided, That a report of receipts and disbursements under this limitation shall be made quarterly to the Committees on Appropriations of the Congress: Provided further, That no funds available to agencies of the Department of Defense shall be used for the operation, acquisition or construction of new facilities or equipment for new facilities in the continental limits of the United States for metal scrap bailing or shearing or for melting or sweating aluminum scrap unless the Secretary of Defense or an Assistant Secretary of Defense designated by him determines, with respect to each facility involved, that the operation of such facility is in the national interest.

SEC. 616. During the current fiscal year, the President may exempt appropriations, funds, and contract authorizations, available for military functions under the Department of Defense, from the provisions of subsection (c) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, whenever he deems such action to be necessary in the interest of national defense.

SEC. 617. No appropriation contained in this Act shall be available in connection with the operation of commissary stores of the agencies of the Department of Defense for the cost of purchase (including commercial transportation in the United States to the place of sale but excluding all transportation outside the United States) and maintenance of operating equipment and supplies, and for the actual or estimated cost of utilities as may be furnished by the Government and of shrinkage, spoilage, and pilferage of merchandise under the control of such commissary stores, except as authorized under regulations promulgated by the Secretaries of the military departments concerned, with the approval of the Secretary of Defense, which regulations shall provide for reimbursement therefor to the appropriations concerned and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, shall provide for the adjustment of the sales prices in such commissary stores to the extent necessary to furnish sufficient gross revenue from sales of commissary stores to make such reimbursement: Provided, That under such regulations as may be issued pursuant to this section all utilities may be furnished without cost to the commissary stores outside the continental United States and in Alaska: Provided further, That no appropriation contained in this Act shall be available in connection with the operation of commissary stores within the continental United States unless the Secretary of Defense has certified that items normally procured from commissary stores are not otherwise available at a reasonable distance and a reasonable price in satisfactory quality and quantity to the military and civilian employees of the Department of Defense.
SEC. 618. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

SEC. 619. No funds appropriated in title I, III, IV, and V of this Act shall be used for the payment in excess of 475,000 full-time graded civilian employees (including (a) the full-time equivalent of part-time employment, (b) persons who are described as "consultants" or who are compensated on a "when actually employed" basis if such persons are employed on a contract basis or are paid on a per diem basis, and (c) persons employed without compensation if they are reimbursed for expenses) at any one time during the current fiscal year: Provided, That whenever, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Military Department concerned, the direct substitution of civilian personnel for an equivalent or greater number of military personnel will result in economy without adverse effect upon national defense, such substitution may be accomplished without regard to the foregoing limitation, and such funds as may be required to accomplish the substitution may be transferred from the appropriate military personnel appropriation to, and merged with, the appropriation charged with compensation of such civilian personnel.

SEC. 620. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, executive order, or regulation, no part of the appropriations in this Act shall be available for any expenses of operating aircraft under the jurisdiction of the Armed Forces for the purpose of proficiency flying except in accordance with the regulations issued by the Secretaries of the Departments concerned and approved by the Secretary of Defense which shall establish proficiency standards and maximum and minimum flying hours for this purpose: Provided, That during the fiscal year, without regard to any provision of law or executive order prescribing minimum flight requirements, such regulations may provide for the payment of flight pay at the rates prescribed in section 204 (b) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 892) to certain officers of the Armed Forces otherwise entitled to receive flight pay (1) who have held aeronautical ratings or designations for not less
than twenty years, or (2) whose particular assignment outside the United States makes it impractical to participate in regular aerial flights.

Sec. 621. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for expense of transportation, packing, crating, temporary storage, drayage, and unpacking of household goods and personal effects in excess of eleven thousand pounds net in any one shipment: Provided, That the limitations imposed herein shall not be applicable in the case of members transferred to or serving in stations outside the continental United States or in Alaska under orders relieving them from a duty station within the United States prior to July 10, 1952, and who are returned to the United States under orders relieving them from a duty station beyond the United States or in Alaska on or after July 1, 1953.

Sec. 622. Vessels under the jurisdiction of the Department of Commerce, the Department of the Army, the Department of the Air Force, or the Department of the Navy may be transferred or otherwise made available without reimbursement to any such agencies upon the request of the head of one agency and the approval of the agency having jurisdiction of the vessels concerned.

Sec. 623. None of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for training in any legal profession nor for the payment of tuition for training in such profession: Provided, That nothing contained in this Act shall prohibit persons now attending law courses from completing same: Provided further, That this limitation shall not apply to the off-duty training of military personnel as prescribed by section 628 of this Act.

Sec. 624. Funds provided in this Act for public information and public relations shall not exceed $3,270,000.

Sec. 625. Not more than 20 per centum of the appropriations in this Act which are limited for obligation during fiscal year 1956 shall be obligated during the last two months of the fiscal year: Provided, That this section shall not apply to obligations for support of active duty training of civilian components or summer camp training of the Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Sec. 626. During the fiscal year 1956, the agencies of the Department of Defense may accept the use of real property from foreign countries for the United States in accordance with mutual defense agreements or occupational arrangements and may accept services furnished by foreign countries as reciprocal international courtesies or as services customarily made available without charge; and such agencies may use the same for the support of the United States forces in such areas without specific appropriation therefor.

In addition to the foregoing, agencies of the Department of Defense may accept real property, services, and commodities from foreign countries for the use of the United States in accordance with mutual defense agreements or occupational arrangements and such agencies may use the same for the support of the United States forces in such areas without specific appropriation therefor: Provided, That within thirty days after the end of each quarter the Secretary of Defense shall render to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives and to the Bureau of the Budget a full report of such property, supplies, and commodities received during such quarter.

Sec. 627. During the current fiscal year, appropriations available to the Department of Defense for research and development may be used for the purposes of section 4 of the Act of July 16, 1952 (66 Stat. 725), and for purposes related to research and development for which
expenditures are specifically authorized in other appropriations of the service concerned.

SEC. 628. No appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for the payment of more than 75 per centum of charges of educational institutions for tuition or expenses for off-duty training of military personnel, nor for the payment of any part of tuition or expenses for such training for commissioned personnel who do not agree to remain on active duty for two years after completion of such training.

SEC. 629. No part of the funds appropriated herein shall be expended for the support of any formally enrolled student in basic courses of the senior division, Reserve Officers Training Corps, who has not executed a certificate of loyalty or loyalty oath in such form as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of Defense.

SEC. 630. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for the procurement of any article of food, clothing, cotton, spun silk yarn for cartridge cloth (subject to the same conditions as apply to other commodities in this paragraph) or wool (whether in the form of fiber or yarn or contained in fabrics, materials, or manufactured articles) not grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States or its possessions, except to the extent that the Secretary of the Department concerned shall determine that a satisfactory quality and sufficient quantity of any articles of food or clothing or any form of cotton or wool grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States or its possessions cannot be procured as and when needed at United States market prices and except procurements outside the United States in support of combat operations, procurements by vessels in foreign waters and emergency procurements or procurements of perishable foods by establishments located outside the continental United States, except the Territories of Hawaii and Alaska, for the personnel attached thereto: Provided, That nothing herein shall preclude the procurement of foods manufactured or procured in the United States or its possessions: Provided further, That no funds herein appropriated shall be used for the payment of a price differential on contracts hereafter made for the purpose of relieving economic dislocations.

SEC. 631. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the purchase of passenger automobiles except for replacement: Provided, That the foregoing limitation shall not apply to the Army for sixteen vehicles, the Navy and Marine Corps for two hundred and fifty vehicles, and to the Air Force for seven hundred and fifty vehicles.

SEC. 632. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the construction, replacement, or reactivation of any bakery, laundry, or dry-cleaning facility in the United States, its Territories or possessions, as to which the Secretary of Defense does not certify in writing, giving his reasons therefor, that the services to be furnished thereby cannot be obtained from commercial sources at reasonable rates.

SEC. 633. In order more effectively to administer the funds appropriated to the Department of Defense, the President, to the extent he deems it necessary and appropriate in the interest of national defense, may authorize positions in the Department of Defense to be placed temporarily in grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949 in accordance with the procedures and standards of that Act, and such positions shall be additional to the number authorized by section 505 of that Act. Under authority herein, grades 16, 17, and 18 in the Department of Defense may be increased only to the extent that the total of such grades in the Department of Defense shall not exceed two hundred.
Sec. 634. During the current fiscal year, appropriations of the Department of Defense shall be available for reimbursement to the Post Office Department for payment of costs of commercial air transportation of military mail between the United States and foreign countries.

Sec. 635. Appropriations of the Department of Defense available for the payment of rental allowances shall be available for the leasing of quarters in foreign countries constructed under the authority of section 302 of Public Law 534, approved July 14, 1952, for assignment as public quarters to military personnel of the Department of Defense.

Sec. 636. Appropriations contained in this Act shall be available for providing furnishings, without charge, in other than public quarters occupied by military or civilian personnel of the Department of Defense on duty outside the continental United States or in Alaska, upon a determination, under regulations approved by the Secretary of Defense, that such action is advantageous to the Government.

Sec. 637. During the current fiscal year, appropriations available to the Department of Defense for pay of civilian employees shall be available for uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114).

Sec. 638. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act may be used for the disposal or transfer by contract or otherwise of work that has been for a period of three years or more performed by civilian personnel of the Department of Defense unless justified to the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, at least ninety days in advance of such disposal or transfer, that its discontinuance is economically sound and the work is capable of performance by a contractor without danger to the national security: Provided, That no such disposal or transfer shall be made if disapproved by either committee within the ninety-day period by written notice to the Secretary of Defense.

Sec. 639. This Act may be cited as the "Department of Defense Appropriation Act, 1956". Approved July 13, 1955.

Public Law 158

AN ACT


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third sentence of section 2 of the Act of January 27, 1905 (33 Stat. 616), as amended (48 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 322), is further amended to read as follows: "The Secretary of the Interior, or such officer, or officers as may be designated by him, shall, upon his own motion or upon petition, locate, lay out, construct, and maintain roads, trails, and bridges from any point on the navigable waters of Alaska to and through any town, mining or other industrial camp or settlement, or between and through any such town, camps, or settlements therein, if in his judgment such roads, trails, or bridges are needed and will be of permanent value for the development of Alaska: Provided, That within incorporated towns only roads and bridges which are designated by the Secretary of the Interior as part of the through highway system of the Territory of Alaska may be constructed under this section: Provided further, That no roads or bridges within incorporated towns shall be maintained under this section." 

Approved July 14, 1955.
AN ACT

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in recognition of the dangers to the public health and welfare, injury to agricultural crops and livestock, damage to and deterioration of property, and hazards to air and ground transportation, from air pollution, it is hereby declared to be the policy of Congress to preserve and protect the primary responsibilities and rights of the States and local governments in controlling air pollution, to support and aid technical research to devise and develop methods of abating such pollution, and to provide Federal technical services and financial aid to State and local government air pollution control agencies and other public or private agencies and institutions in the formulation and execution of their air pollution abatement research programs. To this end, the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare and the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service (under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare) shall have the authority relating to air pollution control vested in them respectively by this Act.

SEC. 2. (a) The Surgeon General is authorized, after careful investigation and in cooperation with other Federal agencies, with State and local government air pollution control agencies, with other public and private agencies and institutions, and with the industries involved, to prepare or recommend research programs for devising and developing methods for eliminating or reducing air pollution. For the purpose of this subsection the Surgeon General is authorized to make joint investigations with any such agencies or institutions.

(b) The Surgeon General may (1) encourage cooperative activities by State and local governments for the prevention and abatement of air pollution; (2) collect and disseminate information relating to air pollution and the prevention and abatement thereof; (3) conduct in the Public Health Service, and support and aid the conduct by State and local government air pollution control agencies, and other public and private agencies and institutions of, technical research to devise and develop methods for eliminating or reducing air pollution; and (4) make available to State and local government air pollution control agencies, other public and private agencies and institutions, and industries, the results of surveys, studies, investigations, research, and experiments relating to air pollution and the prevention and abatement thereof.

SEC. 3. The Surgeon General may, upon request of any State or local government air pollution control agency, conduct investigations and research and make surveys concerning any specific problem of air pollution confronting such State or local government air pollution control agency with a view to recommending a solution of such problem.

SEC. 4. The Surgeon General shall prepare and publish from time to time reports of such surveys, studies, investigations, research, and experiments made under the authority of this Act as he may consider desirable, together with appropriate recommendations with regard to the control of air pollution.

SEC. 5. (a) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare for each of the five fiscal years during the period beginning July 1, 1955, and ending June 30, 1960, not to exceed $5,000,000 to enable it to carry out its functions under this Act and, in furtherance of the policy declared in the first
section of this Act, to (1) make grants-in-aid to State and local government air pollution control agencies, and other public and private agencies and institutions, and to individuals, for research, training, and demonstration projects, and (2) enter into contracts with public and private agencies and institutions and individuals for research, training, and demonstration projects. Such grants-in-aid and contracts may be made without regard to sections 3648 and 3709 of the Revised Statutes. Sums appropriated for such grants-in-aid and contracts shall remain available until expended, and shall be allotted by the Surgeon General in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Sec. 6. When used in this Act—
(a) The term “State air pollution control agency” means the State health authority, except that in the case of any State in which there is a single State agency other than the State health authority charged with responsibility for enforcing State laws relating to the abatement of air pollution, it means such other State agency;
(b) The term “local government air pollution control agency” means a city, county, or other local government health authority, except that in the case of any city, county, or other local government in which there is a single agency other than the health authority charged with responsibility for enforcing ordinances or laws relating to the abatement of air pollution, it means such other agency; and
(c) The term “State” means a State or the District of Columbia.

Sec. 7. Nothing contained in this Act shall limit the authority of any department or agency of the United States to conduct or make grants-in-aid or contracts for research and experiments relating to air pollution under the authority of any other law.

Approved July 14, 1955.

Public Law 160

JOINT RESOLUTION

To modify the authorized project for Ferrells Bridge Reservoir, Texas, and to provide for the local cash contribution for the water supply feature of that reservoir.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the general plan for flood control on Red River below Denison Dam, authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1946 (Public Law 526, Seventy-ninth Congress) is hereby modified to include in Ferrells Bridge Reservoir approximately two hundred and fifty thousand acre-feet of increased storage for water supply; Provided, That local interests shall contribute the increased cost, including appropriate interest charges, of planning, constructing, operating, and maintaining such added storage as determined by the Chief of Engineers: Provided further, That this contribution may be made on a percentage basis as construction of the project progresses or in a lump sum as soon as a reasonably certain date of completion can be given: And provided further, That payment of such contribution, irrespective of the method selected, shall be made no later than at such time as may be determined by the Chief of Engineers that will assure orderly construction to proceed to completion without interruption or delay.

Approved July 15, 1955.
AN ACT

To authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I

SEC. 101. The Secretary of the Army is authorized to establish or develop military installations and facilities by the acquisition, construction, conversion, rehabilitation, or installation of permanent or temporary public works in respect of the following projects, which include site preparation, appurtenances, and related utilities and equipment:

CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

TECHNICAL SERVICES FACILITIES

(Ordnance Corps)

Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland: Troop housing, community facilities, utilities, and family housing, $1,736,000.

Black Hills Ordnance Depot, South Dakota: Family housing, $1,428,000.

Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Kentucky: Operational and maintenance facilities, $509,000.

Erie Ordnance Depot, Ohio: Operational and maintenance facilities and utilities, $1,933,000.

Frankford Arsenal, Pennsylvania: Utilities, $855,000.

Lordstown Ordnance Depot, Ohio: Operational and maintenance facilities, $875,000.

Pueblo Ordnance Depot, Colorado: Operational and maintenance facilities, $1,843,000.

Red River Arsenal, Texas: Operational and maintenance facilities, $140,000.

Redstone Arsenal, Alabama: Research and development facilities and community facilities, $2,865,000.

Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois: Operational and maintenance facilities, $347,000.

Rossford Ordnance Depot, Ohio: Utilities, $400,000.

Savanna Ordnance Depot, Illinois: Operational and maintenance facilities, $342,000.

Seneca Ordnance Depot, New York: Community facilities, $129,000.

Sierra Ordnance Depot, California: Operational and maintenance facilities, $1,075,000.

White Sands Proving Ground, New Mexico: Troop supporting facility, and research and development facilities, $1,247,000.

Wingate Ordnance Depot, New Mexico: Operational and maintenance facilities, $632,000.

(Quartermaster Corps)

Atlanta General Depot, Georgia: Storage facilities, $84,000.

Belle Meade General Depot, New Jersey: Operational and maintenance facilities, $174,000.

Fort Lee, Virginia: Troop housing, community facilities, medical facility, storage facilities, training facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $8,589,000.
Memphis General Depot, Tennessee: Family housing, $99,000.
New Cumberland General Depot, Pennsylvania: Family housing, $568,000.
Sharpe General Depot, California: Utilities and family housing, $337,000.

(Chemical Corps)
Army Chemical Center, Maryland: Troop housing, storage facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and utilities, $1,248,000.
Desert Chemical Depot, Utah: Maintenance facilities, $82,000.
Camp Detrick, Maryland: Utilities, $452,000.

Dugway Proving Ground, Utah: Troop housing, hospital and medical facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $1,129,000.
Pine Bluff Arsenal (including Midwest Chemical Depot), Arkansas: Land acquisition, $3,000.
Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Colorado: Operational and maintenance facilities and utilities, $773,000.

(Signal Corps)
Decatur Signal Depot, Illinois: Operational and maintenance facilities, $393,000.
Fort Huachuca, Arizona: Airfield pavements, community facilities, storage facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, utilities, troop housing, and family housing, $5,913,000.
Lexington Signal Depot, Kentucky: Maintenance facility, and family housing, $538,000.
Fort Monmouth, New Jersey: Community facilities, $615,000.
Sacramento Signal Depot, California: Troop housing, maintenance facility, and family housing, $715,000.
Tobyhanna Signal Depot, Pennsylvania: Troop housing, $649,000.
Two Rock Ranch Station, California: Community facilities, and family housing, $1,298,000.
Vint Hill Farms Station, Virginia: Community facilities, storage facility, and operational and maintenance facility, $695,000.

(Corps of Engineers)
Army Map Service, Maryland: Operational and maintenance facility, $62,000.
Fort Belvoir, Virginia: Troop housing, community facilities, research and development facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, utilities, and family housing, $4,608,000.
Granite City Engineer Depot, Illinois: Operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $1,822,000.
Marion Engineer Depot, Ohio: Storage facilities and utilities, $1,146,000.

(Transportation Corps)
Brooklyn Army Base, New York: Utilities, $1,055,000.
Charleston Transportation Depot, South Carolina: Storage facilities and utilities, $829,000.
Fort Eustis, Virginia: Troop housing, community facilities, training facilities, medical facility, and operational and maintenance facilities, $6,597,000.
New Orleans Army Base, Louisiana: Storage facility, $117,000.
Oakland Army Base, California: Community facilities, storage facilities, and operational and maintenance facilities, $1,923,000.
Fort Story, Virginia: Utilities, $41,000.
West Coast Ammunition Terminal, California: Land acquisition, $3,209,000.

(Medical Corps)

William Beaumont Army Hospital, Texas: Hospital and medical facilities, $586,000.
Brooke Army Medical Center, Texas: Hospital and medical facilities, $549,000.
Madigan Army Hospital, Washington: Hospital and medical facilities, $533,000.
Walter Reed Army Medical Center, District of Columbia: Hospital facilities, and research and development facilities, $3,557,000.

FIELD FORCES FACILITIES

(First Army Area)

Fort Devens, Massachusetts: Troop housing, administrative facilities, and family housing, $7,275,000.
Fort Dix, New Jersey: Community facilities, medical facilities, administrative facilities, and family housing, $6,688,000.
Fort Jay, New York: Waterfront facilities, $731,000.
Fort Niagara, New York: Storage facilities, $209,000.
Fort Totten, New York: Utilities, $170,000.

(Second Army Area)

Fort Holabird, Maryland: Troop housing, $612,000.
Fort Knox, Kentucky: Troop housing, training and administrative facilities, community facilities, medical facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $8,990,000.
Fort George G. Meade, Maryland: Community facilities, training and medical facilities, and operational and maintenance facilities, $923,000.

(Third Army Area)

Fort Benning, Georgia: Troop housing, community facilities, training and administrative facilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $10,392,000.
Fort Bragg, North Carolina: Troop housing, community facilities, training and administrative facilities, medical facilities, airfield pavements, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $15,659,000.
Fort Campbell, Kentucky: Troop housing, community facilities, training and administrative facilities, medical facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $12,377,000.
Camp Gordon, Georgia: Community facilities, $261,000.
Camp Jackson, South Carolina: Medical facilities, $5,000,000.
Fort McClellan, Alabama: Community facilities, storage facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $2,611,000.
Camp Rucker, Alabama: Airfield pavements, and operational and maintenance facilities, $2,070,000.
Camp Stewart, Georgia: Troop housing, storage facilities, and operational and maintenance facilities, $967,000.
Fort Bliss, Texas: Troop housing, community facilities, training and administrative facilities, and operational and maintenance facilities, $4,645,000.

Fort Hood, Texas: Troop housing, community facilities, training and administrative facilities, medical facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $12,922,000.

Fort Sam Houston, Texas: Troop housing and operational facilities, $805,000.

Fort Sill, Oklahoma: Community facilities, medical facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and land acquisition, $3,053,000.

Fort Carson, Colorado: Troop housing, community facilities, training and administrative facilities, medical facilities, airfield pavements, storage facilities, and operational and maintenance facilities, $7,487,000.

Fort Leavenworth, Kansas: Hospital and medical facilities, training facilities, and operational facilities, $8,615,000.

Camp Lucas, Michigan: Community facilities, $145,000.

Fort Riley, Kansas: Troop housing, community facilities, training and administrative facilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $8,657,000.

Fort Sheridan, Illinois: Storage facilities, and family housing, $1,528,000.

Camp Hanford, Washington: Waterfront facilities, $167,000.

Fort Lewis, Washington: Troop housing, community facilities, training facilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and family housing, $15,275,000.

Presidio of Monterey, California: Troop housing and training facilities, $1,878,000.

Fort Ord, California: Community facilities, medical facilities, and utilities, $1,407,000.

Presidio of San Francisco, California: Liquid fuel dispensing facilities, $144,000.

United States Disciplinary Barracks, California: Community facilities, $184,000.

Yuma Test Station, Arizona: Family housing, $709,000.

United States Military Academy, New York: Community facilities and utilities, $756,000.

Sandia Base, New Mexico: Family housing, $1,231,000.

Various installations: Maintenance facilities, community facilities, and utilities, $3,014,000.

Various locations: Family housing, $8,135,000.
(Rehabilitation)

Various locations: Rehabilitation of facilities for family housing, $2,661,000.

OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

(Alaskan Area)

Big Delta: Troop housing and community facilities, and family housing, $3,638,000.

Eielson Air Force Base: Maintenance and storage facility, $1,047,000.

Ladd Air Force Base: Storage facilities and liquid fuel dispensing facilities, $266,000.

Fort Richardson: Troop housing, community facilities, storage facilities, operational and maintenance facilities, and utilities, $9,079,000.

Whittier: Community facilities, and operational and maintenance facilities, $1,183,000.

Wildwood Station (Kenai): Troop housing and community facilities, $469,000.

Various locations: Rehabilitation of facilities for family housing, $1,656,000.

(Far East Command Area)

Okinawa: Community, troop supporting, and medical facilities, operational, maintenance, and administrative facilities, utilities, family housing, and land acquisition and resettlement, $42,983,000 of which sum the total amount available for resettlement may be paid in advance to the Government of the Ryukyu Islands.

(Pacific Command Area)

Helemano, Hawaii: Family housing, $714,000.

Camp O'Donnel, Philippine Islands: Utilities, $832,000.

Schofield Barracks, Hawaii: Storage and community facilities, $3,162,000.

Waiawa (Waipio) Radio Transmitting Station, Hawaii: Community facilities, and family housing, $363,000.

(Icelandic Command Area)

Keflavik Airport: Operational and training facilities, and family housing, $3,793,000.

Classified installations: Family housing, $5,799,000.

Sec. 102. The Secretary of the Army is authorized to establish or develop classified military installations and facilities by the acquisition of land and the construction, rehabilitation, or installation of permanent or temporary public works, including site preparation, appurtenances, and related utilities and equipment, in a total amount of $223,993,000.

Sec. 103. The Secretary of the Army is authorized through the construction, rehabilitation, or installation of permanent or temporary public works, including site preparation, appurtenances, and related utilities and equipment, to restore or replace facilities damaged or destroyed in a total amount of $10,000,000.

Sec. 104. Public Law 534, Eighty-second Congress, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) Strike so much thereof under the heading “Continental United States” and subheading “Field Forces Facilities” (Second Army Area) in section 101 as follows:
“Fort Knox, Kentucky: Training buildings and facilities, research and development facilities, maintenance facilities, land acquisition, and utilities, $11,411,000.”

and insert in lieu thereof the following:

“Fort Knox, Kentucky: Training buildings and facilities, maintenance facilities, land acquisition, and utilities, $9,411,000.”

(b) Strike so much thereof under the heading “Continental United States” and subheading “Technical Service Facilities” (Army Medical Service) in section 101 as follows:

“Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, District of Columbia: Operational facilities and research and development facilities, $731,000.”

and insert in lieu thereof the following:

“Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, District of Columbia, and Forest Glen, Maryland: Operational facilities, and research and development facilities, $2,731,000.”

Sec. 105. Public Law 534, Eighty-third Congress, is hereby amended by striking so much thereof under the heading “Continental United States” and subheading “(Signal Corps)” in section 101 as follows:

“Department of the Army transmitting station, vicinity of Woodbridge, Virginia:”

and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“Department of the Army transmitting station, vicinity of Camp Detrick, Maryland:”

TITLE II

Sec. 201. The Secretary of the Navy is authorized to establish or develop naval installations and facilities by the acquisition, construction, conversion, rehabilitation, or installation of permanent or temporary public works in respect of the following projects, which include site preparation, appurtenances, and related utilities and equipment:

CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

SHIPYARD FACILITIES

Naval shipyard, Boston, Massachusetts: Utilities and replacement of piers, $8,441,000.

Naval shipyard, Puget Sound, Bremerton, Washington: Drydock facilities, including plans and specifications, $2,200,000.

David Taylor Model Basin, Carderock, Maryland: Research and development facilities, $14,302,000.

Naval industrial reserve shipyard, Charleston, South Carolina: Land acquisition, $427,000.

Naval minecraft base, Charleston, South Carolina: Site preparation, waterfront facilities, administrative facilities, training facilities, utilities, and land acquisition, $8,580,000.

Naval shipyard, Mare Island, Vallejo, California: Waterfront facilities and sand-blasting facilities, $4,555,000.

Naval shipyard, Norfolk, Virginia: Replacement of wharf, $308,000.


Naval mine countermeasures station, Panama City, Florida: Administrative facilities, community facilities, training facilities, helicopter facilities, ammunition storage facilities, waterfront facilities, research and development facilities, and land acquisition, $3,379,000.

Naval shipyard, Portsmouth, New Hampshire: Utilities, and drydock facilities, $946,000.
Naval electronics laboratory, San Diego, California: Land acquisition, $143,000.

Naval repair facility, San Diego, California: Utilities, $629,000.

Naval shipyard, San Francisco, California: Waterfront facilities, steam test facilities, and land acquisition, $4,369,000.

**FLEET BASE FACILITIES**

Navy Department, District of Columbia: Family housing, $81,000.

Naval station, Green Cove Springs, Florida: Utilities, $72,000.

Naval station, Newport, Rhode Island: Personnel facilities, $1,888,000.

Naval base, Norfolk, Virginia: Waterfront facilities, pavements, utilities, and land acquisition, $9,972,000.

Naval station, Orange, Texas: Personnel facilities, $399,000.

Naval station, San Diego, California: Utilities, $57,000.

Naval station, Treasure Island, San Francisco, California: Personnel facilities, and utilities, $3,147,000.

Naval station, Tacoma, Washington: Waterfront facilities, $3,024,000.

Naval station, Tongue Point, Astoria, Oregon: Personnel facilities, $92,000.

**AVIATION FACILITIES**

(Naval Air Training Stations)

Naval auxiliary landing field, Alice-Orange Grove Area, Texas: Airfield pavements, and land acquisition, $1,487,000.

Naval auxiliary air station, Barin Field, Foley, Alabama: Airfield lighting facilities, $151,000.

Naval auxiliary air station, Chase Field, Texas: Storage facilities, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, land acquisition, and family housing, $1,953,500.

Naval air station, Corpus Christi, Texas: Navigational aids, training facilities, and land acquisition, $664,000.

Naval air station, Glyno, Georgia: Aircraft, station and equipment maintenance facilities, administrative facilities, and utilities, $1,886,000.

Naval air station, Hutchinson, Kansas: Utilities, $81,000.

Naval auxiliary air station, Kingsville, Texas: Aircraft maintenance facilities, operational facilities, navigational aids, storage facilities, maintenance facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, and land acquisition, $3,886,000.

Naval air station, Memphis, Tennessee: Utilities, $759,000.

Naval air station, Pensacola, Florida: Airfield pavements, navigational aids, personnel facilities, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, research and development facilities, ammunition storage facilities, land acquisition, and plans and specifications for aircraft overhaul and repair facilities, $3,453,000.

Naval auxiliary air station, Port Isabel, Texas: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, operational facilities, administrative facilities, community facilities, fuel storage facilities, ammunition storage and ordnance facilities, security facilities, utilities, and land acquisition, $5,544,000.

Naval auxiliary air station, New Iberia, Louisiana: Aircraft maintenance facilities, airfield pavements, operational facilities, navigational aids, maintenance facilities, communication facilities, training facilities, administrative facilities, fuel storage and dispensing facilities, covered and cold facilities, ammunition storage facilities, personnel facilities, medical facilities, community facilities, utilities, and land acquisition, $24,361,000.
Naval air station, Alameda, California: Aircraft maintenance facilities, seadrome lighting facilities, seawall, dredging, and land acquisition, $3,729,000.
Naval air station, Atlantic City, New Jersey: Storage facilities, and utilities, $223,000.
Naval auxiliary air station, Brown Field, California: Family housing, $214,000.
Naval air station, Brunswick, Maine: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, communication facilities, storage facilities, ammunition storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, utilities, and land acquisition, $3,200,000.
Naval air station, Cecil Field, Florida: Aircraft maintenance facilities, airfield pavements, operational facilities, covered storage facilities, ammunition storage and ordnance facilities, fuel dispensing facilities, security facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, and utilities, $7,400,000.
Naval auxiliary air station, El Centro, California: Ordnance facilities, and land acquisition, $366,000.
Naval auxiliary air station, Fallon, Nevada: Operational facilities, community facilities, and personnel facilities, $1,041,000.
Naval air station, Jacksonville, Florida: Airfield pavements, communication facilities, operational facilities, and land acquisition, $2,224,000.
Naval air station, Key West, Florida: Fuel storage facilities, and boathouse, $211,000.
Naval auxiliary landing field, Mayport, Florida: Waterfront facilities, communication facilities, and security facilities, $738,000.
Naval air station, Miramar, California: Storage facilities, training facilities, personnel facilities, fuel dispensing facilities, community facilities, and utilities, $4,370,000.
Naval air station, Moffett Field, California: Fuel pipeline facilities, airfield pavements, and operational facilities, $2,581,000.
Naval air station, Norfolk, Virginia: Aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, communication facilities, operational facilities, $4,660,000.
Naval air station, Oceana, Virginia: Airfield pavements, storage facilities, personnel facilities, maintenance facilities, community facilities, and fuel dispensing facilities, $5,281,000.
Naval air station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island: Airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, and utilities, $1,062,000.
Naval air station, San Diego, California: Training facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, fuel dispensing facilities, and utilities, $2,748,000.
Naval auxiliary air station, Sanford, Florida: Family housing, $188,000.
Naval air facility, Weeksville, North Carolina: Cold storage facilities, and maintenance facilities, $342,000.
Naval air station, Whidbey Island, Washington: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, training facilities, and land acquisition, $1,958,000.
Outlying field, Whitehouse Field, Duval County, Florida: Airfield pavements, and land acquisition, $1,087,000.
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(Marine Corps Air Stations)

Marine Corps auxiliary air station, Beaufort, South Carolina: Airfield pavements, communications facilities, navigational aids, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, and land acquisition, $4,649,000.

Marine Corps air station, Cherry Point, North Carolina: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, waterfront facilities, navigational aids, airfield lighting facilities, ammunition storage and ordnance facilities, operational facilities, and land acquisition, $1,762,000.

Marine Corps air station, El Toro, California: Airfield pavements, training facilities, communication facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, and land acquisition, $2,492,000.

Marine Corps auxiliary air station, Edenton, North Carolina: Family housing, $1,421,500.

Marine Corps air station, Miami, Florida: Land acquisition, $1,223,000.

Marine Corps auxiliary air station, Mojave, California: Maintenance facilities, land acquisition, and family housing, $2,305,400.

Marine Corps air facility, New River, North Carolina: Airfield pavements, medical facilities, administrative facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, operational facilities, training facilities, and utilities, $2,762,000.

(Special Purpose Air Stations)

Naval auxiliary air station, Chincoteague, Virginia: Aircraft maintenance facilities, medical facilities, and operational facilities, $2,858,000.

Naval ordnance test station, Inyokern, California: Research and development facilities, $2,615,000.

Naval air station, Lakehurst, New Jersey: Research and development facilities, storage facilities, navigational aids, and aircraft maintenance facilities, $16,311,000.

Naval air test center, Patuxent River, Maryland: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, oil storage facilities, and utilities, $8,677,000.

Naval air missile test center, Point Mugu, California: Aircraft maintenance facilities, communication facilities, and research and development facilities, $926,000.

Naval air station, South Weymouth, Massachusetts: Testing facilities, $270,000.

Naval photographic interpretation center, Suitland, Maryland: Operational and photographic preservation facilities, $2,345,000.

Various locations: Land acquisition, and obstruction removal, for flight clearance, $23,000,000.

SUPPLY FACILITIES

Naval fuel depot, Jacksonville, Florida: Family housing, $15,200.

Naval supply depot, Newport, Rhode Island: Waterfront facilities, administrative facilities, and utilities, $1,041,000.

Naval supply center, Norfolk, Virginia: Cold storage facilities, and warehouse freight elevators, $399,000.

Naval supply center, Oakland, California: Utilities, and easement, $62,000.
Marine Corps facilities

Marine Corps supply center, Albany, Georgia: Storage facilities, community facilities, cold-storage facilities, personnel facilities, and utilities, $3,157,000.

Marine Corps supply center, Barstow, California: Storage facilities, community facilities, cold-storage facilities, personnel facilities, security facilities, and land acquisition, $501,000.

Marine Corps base, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina: Personnel facilities, security facilities, and utilities, $1,059,000.

Marine Corps recruit depot, Parris Island, South Carolina: Training facilities, maintenance facilities, and utilities, $1,654,000.

Marine Corps base, Camp Pendleton, California: Utilities, $648,000.


Marine Corps schools, Quantico, Virginia: Covered and ammunition storage facilities, medical facilities, training and personnel facilities, utilities, and land acquisition, $8,857,000.

Marine Corps recruit depot, San Diego, California: Paving and personnel facilities, $120,000.

Marine Corps training center, Twenty-nine Palms, California: Family housing, $47,300.

Ordinance facilities

Naval ammunition depot, Charleston, South Carolina: Ordnance facilities, $193,000.

Naval aviation ordnance test station, Chincoteague, Virginia: Research and development facilities, $644,000.

Naval proving ground, Dahlgren, Virginia: Land acquisition, $200,000.

Naval ordnance aerophysics laboratory, Daingerfield, Texas: Research and development facilities, $1,111,000.

Naval ammunition depot, Earle, New Jersey: Refrigerated storage facilities, $59,000.

Naval ammunition depot, Fallbrook, California: Ordnance and ammunition storage facilities, $514,000.

Naval ammunition depot, Hawthorne, Nevada: Barricaded sidings, and utilities, $1,424,000.

Naval powder factory, Indian Head, Maryland: Research and development facilities, and utilities, $1,107,000.

Naval ordnance test station, Inyokern, California: Community facilities, $375,000.

Naval torpedo station, Keyport, Washington: Ordnance facilities, $376,000.

Naval ordnance plant, Louisville, Kentucky: Ordnance drawings storage facilities, $927,000.

Naval ordnance plant, Macon, Georgia: Ordnance manufacturing facilities, $3,800,000.

Naval underwater ordnance station, Newport, Rhode Island: Testing facilities, $370,000.

Naval magazine, Port Chicago, California: Ordnance facilities, $241,000.

Naval ammunition depot, Saint Julians Creek, Virginia: Utilities, $420,000.

Naval ammunition and net depot, Seal Beach, California: Waterfront facilities, $1,029,000.
Naval ammunition depot, Shumaker, Arkansas: Barricaded transfer depot facilities, $765,000.
Naval ordnance laboratory, White Oak, Maryland: Research and development facilities, $1,976,000.
Naval mine depot, Yorktown, Virginia: Ammunition storage and testing facilities, $113,000.

SERVICE SCHOOL FACILITIES

Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland: Utilities, $182,000.
Naval station, Annapolis, Maryland: Personnel facilities, $307,000.
Naval receiving station, Charleston, South Carolina: Community facilities, $553,000.
Naval amphibious base, Coronado, California: Personnel facilities, $1,402,000.
Fleet air defense training center, Dam Neck, Virginia: Training facilities, and personnel facilities, $1,942,000.
Naval training center, Great Lakes, Illinois: Training facilities, and personnel facilities, $4,238,000.
Naval powder factory, Indian Head, Maryland: Personnel facilities, $780,000.
Naval postgraduate school, Monterey, California: Personnel facilities, $119,000.
Naval receiving station, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Personnel facilities, $1,428,000.
Naval retraining command, Portsmouth, New Hampshire: Security facilities, $42,000.
Fleet sonar school, San Diego, California: Training facilities, $2,753,000.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

National naval medical center, Bethesda, Maryland: Plans and specifications for the Armed Forces Medical Library, $350,000.
Naval hospital, Chelsea, Massachusetts: Family housing, $192,800.
Naval hospital, Corona, California: Family housing, and conversion of existing structures to family housing, $256,800.
Naval hospital, Great Lakes, Illinois: Plans and specifications for certain medical facilities, $750,000.
Naval hospital, Jacksonville, Florida: Retaining wall, $46,000.
Naval hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Utilities, $60,000.

COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES

Naval radio station, Northwest, Virginia: Communication facilities, $436,000.

OFFICE OF NAVAL RESEARCH FACILITIES

Naval research laboratory, Washington, District of Columbia: Research facilities, and utilities, $163,000.
Naval research laboratory, Chesapeake Bay Annex, Randle Cliffs, Maryland: Research facilities, and land acquisition, $52,000.

YARDS AND DOCKS FACILITIES

Naval construction battalion center, Davisville, Rhode Island: Waterfront facilities, and storage facilities, $5,397,000.
Public works center, Norfolk, Virginia: Utilities, $2,510,000.
Naval construction battalion center, Port Hueneme, California: Maintenance facilities, $1,225,000.

Various locations: Facilities for abatement of water pollution, including the acquisition of land, $15,149,000.

**Outside Continental United States**

**Shipyard Facilities**

Fleet activities, Sasebo, Japan: Personnel facilities, $57,000.

**Fleet Base Facilities**

- Naval station, Adak, Alaska: Family housing, $2,485,000.
- Naval base, Guam, Mariana Islands: Administrative facilities, $1,825,000.
- Naval Base, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba: Utilities, $56,000.
- Naval base, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands: Personnel facilities, medical facilities, utilities, and family housing, $15,233,700.
- Fleet activities, Yokosuka, Japan: Family housing, $6,540,800.

**Aviation Facilities**

- Naval air station, Agana, Guam, Mariana Islands: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, personnel facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, and utilities, $6,525,000.
- Naval station, Argentia, Newfoundland: Operational facilities, and family housing, $8,589,800.
- Naval air station, Atsugi, Japan: Personnel facilities, and family housing, $1,978,800.
- Naval station, Bermuda, British West Indies: Aircraft maintenance facilities, $91,000.
- Naval air facility, Cubi Point, Philippine Islands: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, earthwork, personnel facilities, communication facilities, ordnance facilities, fuel-dispensing facilities, and utilities, $8,260,000.
- Naval air station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba: Fuel pipeline facilities, community facilities, utilities, and family housing, $2,977,500.
- Naval air facility, Iwakuni, Japan: Personnel facilities, $975,000.
- Marine Corps air station, Kaneohe Bay, Territory of Hawaii: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, and family housing, $3,227,600.
- Naval station, Ketchikan, Alaska: Family housing, $2,613,100.
- Naval station, Kwajalein, Marshall Islands: Communication facilities, ammunition storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $4,411,000.
- Naval station, Midway Islands, Territory of Hawaii: Communication facilities and operational facilities, $1,518,000.
- Naples, Italy: Operational facilities and storage facilities, $155,000.
- Naval air facility, Port Lyautey, French Morocco: Cold-storage facilities, and family housing, $1,988,500.
- Naval station, Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico: Operational facilities and airfield pavements, $3,721,000.
- Naval station, Sangley Point, Philippine Islands: Family housing, $522,900.
SUPPLY FACILITIES

Naval supply depot, Guam, Mariana Islands: Waterfront facilities and storage facilities, $5,427,000.
Naval supply depot, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba: Cold-storage facilities, $1,318,000.
Naval supply center, Pearl Harbor, Territory of Hawaii: Operational facilities, utilities, and land acquisition, $270,000.

ORDNANCE FACILITIES

Naval ammunition depot, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii: Testing facilities, and railroad facilities and barricades, $1,132,000.
Naval ordnance facility, Sasebo, Japan: Personnel facilities, $66,000.

SERVICE SCHOOL FACILITIES

Fleet training center, Pearl Harbor, Territory of Hawaii: Training facilities, $44,000.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Naval hospital, Guam, Mariana Islands: Community facilities, $269,000.

COMMUNICATION FACILITIES

Naval communication station, Adak, Alaska: Communication facilities, $439,000.
Naval radio facility, Kami-Seya, Japan: Communication facilities, and family housing, $2,564,700.
Naval communication station, Kodiak, Alaska: Site preparation, communication facilities, maintenance facilities, personnel facilities, and utilities, $6,981,000.
Naval communication facility, Philippine Islands: Communication facilities, community facilities, utilities, and family housing, $8,061,500.
Naval communication facility, Port Lyautey, French Morocco: Storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, utilities, and family housing, $2,848,600.

YARDS AND DOCKS FACILITIES

Fifteenth Naval District, Canal Zone: Utilities, and acquisition of family housing, $3,069,000.
Guam, Mariana Islands: Utilities, $940,000.

SEC. 202. The Secretary of the Navy is authorized to establish or develop classified naval installations and facilities by the acquisition of land, and the construction, conversion, rehabilitation, or installation of permanent or temporary public works, including site preparation, appurtenances, utilities, equipment and family housing, in the total amount of $151,342,400.

SEC. 203. The Secretary of the Navy is authorized through the construction, rehabilitation or installation of permanent or temporary public works, including site preparation, appurtenances, and related utilities and equipment, to restore or replace facilities damaged or destroyed in a total amount of $6,000,000.
TITLE III

SEC. 301. The Secretary of the Air Force is hereby authorized to establish or develop Air Force installations and facilities by the acquisition, construction, conversion, rehabilitation, or installation of permanent or temporary public works in respect of the following projects, which include site preparation, appurtenances and related utilities, equipment and facilities:

CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

Buckingham Weapons Center, Fort Myers, Florida: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications and navigational aids, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $11,577,000.

Duluth Municipal Airport, Duluth, Minnesota: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and shop facilities, $1,200,000.

Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado: Utilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $1,808,000.

Ethan Allen Air Force Base, Winooski, Vermont: Fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting, and utilities, $213,000.

Geiger Field, Spokane, Washington: Airfield pavements, troop housing, storage facilities, and family housing, $1,716,000.

Glasgow site, Montana: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $4,706,000.

Grand Forks site, North Dakota: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $5,822,000.

Grandview Air Force Base, Kansas City, Missouri: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $3,402,000.

Greater Milwaukee area, Wisconsin, air base to be known as “Richard Bong Air Force Base”: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications and navigational aids, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $16,608,000.

Greater Pittsburgh Airport, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania: Training facilities, utilities, medical facilities, and personnel facilities, $404,000.

Hamilton Air Force Base, San Rafael, California: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, troop housing, land acquisition, and personnel facilities, $1,901,000.

Kinross Air Force Base, Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $2,929,000.
K. I. Sawyer Municipal Airport, Marquette, Michigan: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, utilities, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, relocation of facilities, and family housing, $3,943,000.

Klamath Falls Municipal Airport, Klamath Falls, Oregon: Airfield pavements, relocation of facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, and family housing, $2,042,000.

McChord Air Force Base, Tacoma, Washington: Airfield pavements, training facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, and family housing, $2,959,000.

McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee: Airfield pavements, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and shop facilities, $592,000.

Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and community facilities, $1,423,000.

Minot site, North Dakota: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $5,339,000.

New Castle County Municipal Airport, Wilmington, Delaware: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, land acquisition, and storage facilities, $504,000.

Niagara Falls Municipal Airport, Niagara Falls, New York: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $1,748,000.

Otis Air Force Base, Falmouth, Massachusetts: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, training facilities, messing facilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $6,076,000.

Oxnard Air Force Base, Oxnard, California: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and administrative facilities, $2,445,000.

Portland Air Force Base, Everett, Washington: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $1,089,000.

Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon: Airfield pavements, utilities, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $554,000.

Presque Isle Air Force Base, Presque Isle, Maine: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, and family housing, $2,056,000.

Selfridge Air Force Base, Mount Clemens, Michigan: Airfield pavements, communications and airfield lighting facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, and personnel facilities, $5,626,000.

Sioux City Municipal Airport, Sioux City, Iowa: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, and messing facilities, $348,000.

Stewart Air Force Base, Newburgh, New York: Navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, storage facilities, and community facilities, $112,000.
Suffolk County Air Force Base, Westhampton, New York: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $2,207,000.

Traverse City area, Michigan: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, training facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $1,881,000.

Truax Field, Madison, Wisconsin: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, troop housing, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and shop facilities, $1,283,000.

Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Oscoda, Michigan: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, storage facilities, administrative facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $2,511,000.

Youngstown Municipal Airport, Youngstown, Ohio: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, utilities, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $742,000.

Yuma County Airport, Yuma, Arizona: Airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, personnel facilities, and administrative facilities, $2,107,000.

Various locations: Utilities, land acquisitions, storage facilities, and administrative facilities, $14,196,000.

AIR MATIERIEL COMMAND

Brookley Air Force Base, Mobile, Alabama: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, and storage facilities, $4,170,000.

Griffiss Air Force Base, Rome, New York: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, and family housing, $15,803,000.

Hill Air Force Base, Ogden, Utah: Airfield pavements, and airfield lighting facilities, $2,386,000.

Kelly Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, and land acquisition, $1,945,000.

McClellan Air Force Base, Sacramento, California: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, and administrative facilities, $9,522,000.

Norton Air Force Base, San Bernardino, California: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, and storage facilities, $3,205,000.

Olmstead Air Force Base, Middletown, Pennsylvania: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, and storage facilities, $21,261,000.

Robins Air Force Base, Macon, Georgia: Airfield pavements, communications and airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, and land acquisition, $8,375,000.

Searsport Air Force Tank Farm, Searsport, Maine: Fuel storage facilities, $183,000.

Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma: Storage facilities, $205,000.

Wilkins Air Force Station, Shelby, Ohio: Utilities, $305,000.
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio: Airfield pavements, training facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, and administrative facilities, $12,001,000. Various locations: Storage facilities, $170,000.

AIR PROVING GROUND COMMAND

Eglin Air Force Base, Valparaiso, Florida: Airfield pavements, communications and navigational aids, troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, research, development and test facilities, and storage facilities, $7,966,000.

AIR TRAINING COMMAND

Amarillo Air Force Base, Amarillo, Texas: Training facilities, $98,000.
Bryan Air Force Base, Bryan, Texas: Troop housing and messing facilities, and utilities, $914,000.
Chanute Air Force Base, Rantoul, Illinois: Land acquisition, $3,000.
Craig Air Force Base, Selma, Alabama: Airfield pavements, troop housing, and land acquisition, $1,650,000.
Ellington Air Force Base, Houston, Texas: Troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, and medical facilities, $2,316,000.
Francis E. Warren Air Force Base, Cheyenne, Wyoming: Troop housing and messing facilities, $1,408,000.
Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, and land acquisition, $4,081,000.
Greenville Air Force Base, Greenville, Mississippi: Aircraft maintenance facilities, land acquisition, and personnel facilities, $349,000.
Headquarters technical training, Air Force, Gulfport, Mississippi: Acquisition of land and facilities, $313,000.
Harlingen Air Force Base, Harlingen, Texas: Communications and navigational aids and troop housing, $446,000.
James Connally Air Force Base, Waco, Texas: Troop housing and messing facilities, $883,000.
Laredo Air Force Base, Laredo, Texas: Aircraft maintenance facilities, and family housing, $1,525,500.
Laughlin Air Force Base, Del Rio, Texas: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, training facilities, land acquisition, and family housing, $3,095,000.
Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colorado: Troop housing and messing facilities, $1,517,000.
Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento, California: Communications and navigational aids, troop housing and messing facilities, and personnel facilities, $1,516,000.
McConnell Air Force Base, Wichita, Kansas: Operational facilities, and land acquisition, $104,000.
Moody Air Force Base, Valdosta, Georgia: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, and family housing, $4,322,000.
Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, Nevada: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, and troop housing and messing facilities, $1,153,000.
Perrin Air Force Base, Sherman, Texas: Troop housing and messing facilities, and land acquisition, $956,000.
Randolph Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas: Troop housing, $549,000.
Reese Air Force Base, Lubbock, Texas: Troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, and personnel facilities, $1,076,000.
Scott Air Force Base, Belleville, Illinois: Troop housing and messing facilities, $1,247,000.
Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas: Messing facilities, $80,000.
Stead Air Force Base, Reno, Nevada: Aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, personnel facilities, and family housing, $4,187,000.
Tyndall Air Force Base, Panama City, Florida: Airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, and land acquisition, $478,000.
Vance Air Force Base, Enid, Oklahoma: Troop housing and messing facilities, and land acquisition, $571,000.
Webb Air Force Base, Big Spring, Texas: Shop facilities, and family housing, $2,410,000.
Williams Air Force Base, Chandler, Arizona: Operational facilities, and troop housing and messing facilities, $1,045,000.

AIR UNIVERSITY
Gunter Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama: Troop housing, $275,000.
Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama: Troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, and medical facilities, $2,661,000.

CONTINENTAL AIR COMMAND
Beale Air Force Base, Marysville, California: Land acquisition, personnel facilities, and family housing, $2,125,500.
Brooks Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas: Troop housing, $590,000.
Dobbins Air Force Base, Marietta, Georgia: Airfield pavements, and personnel facilities, $758,000.
Mitchel Air Force Base, Hempstead, New York: Airfield pavements, $1,891,000.
Wolters Air Force Base, Mineral Wells, Texas: Operational facilities, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $331,000.

HEADQUARTERS COMMAND

MILITARY AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE
Andrews Air Force Base, Camp Springs, Maryland: Medical facilities, and personnel facilities, $1,068,000.
Charleston Air Force Base, Charleston, South Carolina: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and land acquisition, $4,032,000.
Dover Air Force Base, Dover, Delaware: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, land acquisition, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, and family housing, $7,073,000.
McGuire Air Force Base, Wrightstown, New Jersey: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $5,564,000.
Palm Beach Air Force Base, Palm Beach, Florida: Operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, and personnel facilities, $818,000.

Saint Louis Aeronautical Chart Information Center, Saint Louis, Missouri: Administrative facilities, $961,000.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COMMAND

Location to be determined: Headquarters building, $6,000,000.

Carabelle Test Site, Carabelle, Florida: Land acquisition, $1,000.

Edwards Air Force Base, Muroc, California: Airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, research, development and test facilities, personnel facilities, and community facilities, $12,429,000.

Hartford Research Facility, Hartford, Connecticut: Research and development facilities, $22,375,000.

Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo, New Mexico: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, utilities, research and development facilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and community facilities, $4,965,000.

Indian Springs Air Force Base (Kirtland Auxiliary Numbered 1), Clark, Nevada: Operational facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $555,000.

Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico: Aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, and shop facilities, $905,000.

Laurence G. Hanscom Field, Bedford, Massachusetts: Airfield pavements, communications and airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, research, and development facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $3,705,000.

Mount Washington Climatic Projects Laboratory, Mount Washington, New Hampshire: Research and development facilities, $588,000.

Patrick Air Force Base, Cocoa, Florida: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, research and development facilities, and shop facilities, $7,600,000.

Various locations: Research, development, and operational facilities, $20,000,000.

STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND

Abilene Air Force Base, Abilene, Texas: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and administrative and community facilities, $4,214,000.

Altus Air Force Base, Altus, Oklahoma: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, training facilities, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, and family housing, $3,758,000.

Barksdale Air Force Base, Shreveport, Louisiana: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, communications and airfield lighting facilities, training facilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $7,379,000.

Bergstrom Air Force Base, Austin, Texas: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, utilities, land acquisition, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, and shop facilities, $1,770,000.

Biggs Air Force Base, El Paso, Texas: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $5,063,000.
Campbell Air Force Base, Hopkinsville, Kentucky: Airfield pavements, communications, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, and shop facilities, $1,975,000.

Carswell Air Force Base, Fort Worth, Texas: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, medical facilities, personnel facilities, and land acquisition, $5,929,000.

Castle Air Force Base, Merced, California: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, and administrative facilities, $5,550,000.

Clinton-Sherman Air Force Base, Clinton, Oklahoma: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $10,209,500.

Columbus Air Force Base, Columbus, Mississippi: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, administrative facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $6,629,000.

Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Arizona: Airfield pavements, training facilities, troop housing, medical facilities, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $7,303,000.

Dow Air Force Base, Bangor, Maine: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, rehabilitation, land acquisition, personnel facilities, community facilities, and shop facilities, $11,135,000.

Ellsworth Air Force Base, Rapid City, South Dakota: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and shop facilities, $12,380,000.

Fairchild Air Force Base, Spokane, Washington: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $2,187,000.

Forbes Air Force Base, Topeka, Kansas: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and shop facilities, $4,753,000.

Gray Air Force Base, Killeen, Texas: Troop housing, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and community facilities, $482,000.

Great Falls Air Force Base, Great Falls, Montana: Airfield pavements, communications, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $5,435,000.

Homestead Air Force Base, Homestead, Florida: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $4,428,000.

Hunter Air Force Base, Savannah, Georgia: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, medical facilities, and personnel facilities, $4,115,000.
Lake Charles Air Force Base, Lake Charles, Louisiana: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, and personnel facilities, $2,396,000.

Lincoln Air Force Base, Lincoln, Nebraska: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and administrative facilities, $6,595,000.

Little Rock Air Force Base, Little Rock, Arkansas: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and family housing, $5,317,000.

Lockbourne Air Force Base, Columbus, Ohio: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and shop facilities, $3,542,000.

Loring Air Force Base, Limestone, Maine: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, navigational aids, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $3,542,000.

MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, land acquisition, and personnel facilities, $5,251,000.

March Air Force Base, Riverside, California: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, land acquisition, and personnel facilities, $3,741,000.

Mountain Home Air Force Base, Mountain Home, Idaho: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, and family housing, $5,961,000.

Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska: Utilities, and land acquisition, $128,000.

Pinecastle Air Force Base, Orlando, Florida: Airfield pavements, communications and airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and community facilities, $4,118,000.

Plattsburg Air Force Base, Plattsburg, New York: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and family housing, $21,988,000.

Portsmouth Air Force Base, Portsmouth, New Hampshire: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and family housing, $24,850,000.

Sedalia Air Force Base, Knobnoster, Missouri: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, community facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $9,616,000.

Smoky Hill Air Force Base, Salina, Kansas: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative facilities, shop facilities, and family housing, $8,571,000.
Travis Air Force Base, Fairfield, California: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, navigational aids, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $9,769,000.

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, and land acquisition, $3,744,000.

Walker Air Force Base, Roswell, New Mexico: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, and personnel facilities, $6,657,000.

Westover Air Force Base, Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications and navigational aids, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and community facilities, $7,951,000.

**TACTICAL AIR COMMAND**

Alexandria Air Force Base, Alexandria, Louisiana: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, utilities, and personnel facilities, $2,684,000.

Ardmore Air Force Base, Ardmore, Oklahoma: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $6,600,000.

Blytheville Air Force Base, Blytheville, Arkansas: Airfield lighting facilities, training facilities, utilities, storage facilities, and community facilities, $208,000.

Bunker Hill Air Force Base, Peru, Indiana: Airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, training facilities, and administrative facilities, $559,000.

Clovis Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico: Training facilities, and family housing, $2,570,500.

Donaldson Air Force Base, Greenville, South Carolina: Airfield pavements, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, and medical facilities, $2,403,000.

Foster Air Force Base, Victoria, Texas: Airfield pavements, training facilities, troop housing, and family housing, $4,624,000.

George Air Force Base, Victorville, California: Airfield pavements, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, training facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, and storage facilities, $1,586,000.

Langley Air Force Base, Hampton, Virginia: Airfield pavements, training facilities, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and administrative facilities, $3,884,000.

Larson Air Force Base, Moses Lake, Washington: Airfield pavements, utilities, medical facilities, and personnel facilities, $3,574,000.

Myrtle Beach Municipal Airport, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications and navigational aids, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $6,808,000.

Pope Air Force Base, Fort Bragg, North Carolina: Airfield pavements, communications and navigational aids, troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, and storage facilities, $2,548,000.
Sewart Air Force Base, Smyrna, Tennessee: Airfield pavements, communications and navigational aids, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, land acquisition, personnel facilities, and administrative facilities, $3,589,000.

Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, Goldsboro, North Carolina: Airfield pavements, fuel-dispensing facilities, communications and navigational aids, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $7,429,000.

Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, South Carolina: Airfield pavements, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $7,086,000.

SPECIAL FACILITIES

Various locations: Operational facilities, and utilities, $387,000.

AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SYSTEM

Various locations: Fuel-dispensing facilities, communications and navigational aids, operational facilities, training facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $100,882,000.

OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

ALASKAN AIR COMMAND

Eielson Air Force Base: Medical facilities, storage facilities, and community facilities, $1,307,000.

Elmendorf Air Force Base: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, land acquisition, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and shop facilities, $23,275,000.

Galena Airfield: Airfield lighting facilities, and storage facilities, $518,000.

Kenai Airfield: Airfield pavements, $356,000.

Ladd Air Force Base: Training facilities, land acquisition, and storage facilities, $1,510,000.

Naknek Airfield: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, utilities, and storage facilities, $1,863,000.

CARIBBEAN AIR COMMAND

Albrook Air Force Base, Canal Zone: Communication facilities, $163,000.

FAR EAST AIR FORCES

Various locations: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, utilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and community facilities, $42,017,000.
Hickam Air Force Base, Honolulu, Hawaii: Airfield pavements, airfield lighting facilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, and harbor facilities, $4,978,000.

Johnston Island Air Force Base, Johnston Island: Communication facilities, $182,000.

Midway Island: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, and airfield lighting facilities, $303,000.

Wake Island: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, and navigational aids, $2,991,000.

Various locations: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, troop housing, utilities, personnel facilities, and family housing, $11,393,000.

NORTHEAST AIR COMMAND

Various locations: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing, utilities, storage facilities, and shop facilities, $23,601,000.

STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND

Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, operational facilities, utilities, land acquisition, storage facilities, personnel facilities, and harbor facilities, $9,739,000.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCES IN EUROPE

Various locations: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, training facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, and shop facilities, $234,996,000.

AREA CONTROL NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Various locations: Communications and navigational aids, $526,000.

SPECIAL FACILITIES

Various locations: Operational facilities, and utilities, $293,000.

AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SYSTEM

Various locations: Airfield pavements, fuel dispensing facilities, communications, navigational aids and airfield lighting facilities, operational facilities, troop housing and messing facilities, utilities, medical facilities, storage facilities, personnel facilities, administrative and community facilities, shop facilities, aircraft maintenance facilities, harbor facilities, and land acquisition, $98,552,000.

Sec. 302. The Secretary of the Air Force is authorized through the construction, rehabilitation, or installation of permanent or temporary public works, including site preparation, appurtenances, and related utilities and equipment, to restore or replace facilities damaged or destroyed in a total amount of $5,000,000.

Sec. 303. The Secretary of the Air Force is authorized to provide an off-base roadway approximately two miles in length in the vicinity of damaged facilities.
of the south boundary of Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi, by the acquisition of land and the construction of permanent and related facilities and appurtenances at a cost not to exceed $350,000.

SEC. 304. Public Law 534, Eighty-third Congress, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) With respect to Carswell Air Force Base, Fort Worth, Texas, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Strategic Air Command" in section 301 strike "$2,248,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$2,750,000".

(b) With respect to Matagorda Island Air Force Range, Texas, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Strategic Air Command" in section 301 strike "$607,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$847,000".

(c) With respect to Bismarck-Minot area, North Dakota, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301 strike "Bismarck-Minot area, North Dakota" and "$6,494,000" and insert in lieu thereof "Minot Site, North Dakota" and "$12,124,000", respectively.

(d) With respect to Fargo area, North Dakota, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301 strike "Fargo area, North Dakota" and "$7,055,000" and insert in lieu thereof "Grand Forks Site, North Dakota" and "$10,903,000", respectively.

(e) With respect to Glasgow-Miles City area, Montana, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301 strike "Glasgow-Miles City area, Montana" and "$8,381,000" and insert in lieu thereof "Glasgow Site, Montana" and "$10,600,000", respectively.

(f) With respect to K. I. Sawyer Airport, Marquette, Michigan, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301 strike "$8,556,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$9,949,000".

(g) With respect to Traverse City area, Michigan, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301 strike "$8,635,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$10,267,000".

(h) With respect to Ellington Air Force Base, Houston, Texas, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Training Command" in section 301 strike "$1,073,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$1,978,000".

(i) With respect to Webb Air Force Base, Big Spring, Texas, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Training Command" in section 301 strike "$100,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$135,000".

(j) With respect to Norton Air Force Base, San Bernardino, California, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Materiel Command" in section 301 strike "$4,308,000" and "$2,183,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$4,735,000" and "$2,615,000", respectively.

(k) With respect to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Materiel Command" in section 301 strike "$5,847,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$6,849,000".

(l) With respect to Atlantic City Consolant Station, Atlantic City, New Jersey, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301, strike "$72,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$285,000".

(m) With respect to Nantucket Consolant Station, Nantucket, Massachusetts, under the heading "Continental United States" and
subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301, strike "$107,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$224,000".

(n) With respect to Pescadero Consolan Station, Pescadero, California, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301, strike "$107,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$224,000".

(o) With respect to Point Conception Consolan Station, Point Conception, California, under the heading "Continental United States" and subheading "Air Defense Command" in section 301, strike "$72,000" and insert in lieu thereof "$232,000".

(p) In clause (3) of section 502 thereof delete the amounts "$389,125,000" and "$398,954,000" and insert in lieu thereof the amounts "$405,176,000" and "$415,005,000", respectively.

SEC. 305. Classified location: The authority granted by section 302, of the Act of July 14, 1952, may be utilized to the extent of $8,127,400 for the direct construction of family housing.

TITLE IV

SEC. 401. The Director of Central Intelligence is authorized to provide for a headquarters installation for the Central Intelligence Agency, in the District of Columbia or elsewhere, by the acquisition of land at a cost of not to exceed $1,000,000, and construction of buildings, facilities, appurtenances, utilities, and access roads at a cost of not to exceed $54,500,000, of which not more than $8,500,000 shall be available for transfer to the National Capital Planning Commission and the Department of the Interior for acquisition of land for and construction to extend the George Washington Memorial Parkway to the present site of the research station of the Bureau of Public Roads at Langley, Fairfax County, Virginia: Provided, That at such time as it is determined that construction of such headquarters installation at said research station will not be commenced or continued, said amount of $8,500,000, or the remainder thereof, shall no longer be available for obligation: Provided further, That at such time as the Central Intelligence Agency occupies the headquarters installation authorized by this title, the Administrator of General Services is authorized and directed to accomplish the demolition and removal of temporary Government building space in the District of Columbia of equivalent occupancy to that relinquished by the Central Intelligence Agency.

TITLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 501. The Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force are respectively authorized to proceed with the establishment or development of military and naval installations and facilities as authorized by titles I, II, and III of this Act, and the Director of Central Intelligence is authorized to proceed with the establishment of a Central Intelligence Agency Headquarters Installation as authorized by title IV of this Act, without regard to the provisions of sections 1136, 3648, and 3734, as respectively amended, of the Revised Statutes, and prior to approval of title to underlying land, as provided by section 355, as amended, of the Revised Statutes. The authority under this Act of the Secretary of a military department to provide family housing includes authority to acquire such land as the Secretary concerned determines, with the approval of the Secretary of Defense, to be necessary in connection therewith. The authority to establish or
develop such installations and facilities shall include, in respect of those installations and facilities as to which family housing or the acquisition of land is specified in titles I, II, III, and IV of this Act, authority to make surveys and to acquire lands and rights and interests thereto or therein, including the temporary use thereof, by donation, purchase, exchange of Government-owned lands, or otherwise, and to place permanent or temporary improvements thereon whether such lands are held in fee or under lease or under other temporary tenure. 

Sec. 503. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums of money as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Act, but not to exceed—

(1) for public works authorized by title I: Inside continental United States, $224,927,000; outside continental United States, $74,984,000; section 102, $223,993,000; section 103, $10,000,000; or a total of $533,904,000;

(2) for public works authorized by title II: Inside continental United States, $299,690,600; outside continental United States, $107,191,300; section 202, $151,542,400; section 203, $6,000,000; or a total of $564,224,300;

(3) for public works authorized by title III: Inside continental United States, $743,989,000; outside continental United States, $458,563,000; section 302, $5,000,000; section 303, $350,000; or a total of $1,207,902,000; and

(4) for public works authorized by title IV: $54,500,000.

Sec. 504. Any of the approximate costs enumerated in titles I, II, and III of this Act may, in the discretion of the Secretary concerned, be varied upward by 5 per centum in the case of projects within the continental United States, and 10 per centum in the case of projects outside the continental United States, but the total cost of all projects so enumerated under each of such titles shall not exceed the total of all amounts specified in respect of projects in such title.

Sec. 505. Appropriations made to carry out the purposes of this Act shall be available for expenses incident to construction, including surveys, administration, overhead, planning, and supervision.

Sec. 506. All contracts entered into by the United States pursuant to the authorization contained in this Act shall be awarded, so far as practicable, if the interest of the national security shall not be impaired thereby and if such award is consistent with the provisions of the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947, on a competitive basis to the lowest responsible bidder.

Sec. 507. Section 407 of Public Law 765, Eighty-third Congress, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 407. In addition to family housing otherwise authorized to be constructed or acquired by the Department of Defense, the Secretary of Defense is authorized, subject to the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, to construct, or acquire by lease or otherwise, family housing for occupancy as public quarters in foreign countries..."
through housing projects which utilize foreign currencies to a value not in excess of $100,000,000 acquired pursuant to the provisions of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (Public Law 480, Eighty-third Congress) or through other commodity transactions of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

The Department of Defense shall pay the Commodity Credit Corporation, from appropriations otherwise available for the payment of quarters allowances for military personnel for the fiscal year 1956 and each succeeding fiscal year, amounts equal to the quarters allowances otherwise payable to personnel occupying any housing constructed or acquired under authority of this section after deducting amounts chargeable for the maintenance and operation of such housing: Provided, That such payments shall not exceed the dollar equivalent of the value of the foreign currencies used for all such construction or acquisition.

"The Secretary of Defense shall furnish to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives quarterly reports, the first of which shall be submitted three months subsequent to the date of enactment of this Act, setting forth the cost, number, and location of housing units constructed or acquired pursuant to the authority contained in this section during the three-month period preceding the date of such report, and setting forth the cost, number, and location of the housing units intended to be constructed or acquired pursuant to such authority during the next succeeding quarter."

SEC. 508. All housing units constructed under the authority of this Act shall be subject to the net floor area permanent limitations prescribed in the second, third, and fourth provisos of section 3 of the Act of June 12, 1948 (62 Stat. 375), or in section 3 of the Act of June 16, 1948 (62 Stat. 459), other than the first, second, and third provisos thereof.

SEC. 509. The Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force are respectively authorized to acquire by purchase housing units which are located near military installations, which are adequate and suitable for housing military personnel and their dependents, and as to which a mortgage is insured by the Federal Housing Commissioner pursuant to title VI or title IX of the National Housing Act, subject to the outstanding mortgage thereon, and to assume the payments thereafter becoming due on such mortgage. The Secretary of the military department concerned may utilize appropriations available for the construction of military public works for the liquidation of any outstanding mortgage assumed by the Government.

SEC. 510. None of the authority contained in titles I, II, and III of this Act shall be deemed to authorize any building construction project within the continental United States at a unit cost in excess of—

(a) $20 per square foot for cold-storage warehousing;
(b) $6 per square foot for regular warehousing;
(c) $1,700 per man for permanent barracks;
(d) $1,400 per man for ten-year-life barracks; or
(e) $5,000 per man for bachelor officer quarters,

unless the Secretary of Defense determines that, because of special circumstances, application to such project of the limitation on unit costs contained in this section is impracticable.

SEC. 511. As of July 1, 1956, all authorizations for military public works projects to be accomplished by the Secretary of a military department in connection with the establishment or development of military, naval, or Air Force installations and facilities, and all authorizations for appropriations therefor, that are contained in Acts...
approved prior to October 1, 1951, and not superseded or otherwise modified by a later authorization are repealed, except (1) authorizations for public works and for appropriations therefor that are set forth in such Acts in the titles that contain the general provisions, (2) authorizations for military public works projects as to which appropriated funds shall have been obligated in whole or in part prior to July 1, 1956, and authorizations for appropriations therefor, and (3) the authorizations with respect to military public works and the appropriation of funds that are contained in the National Defense Facilities Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 829).

Sec. 512. Section 504 of Public Law 155, Eighty-second Congress, is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 504. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated without fiscal year limitation, funds for advance planning, construction design, and architectural services in connection with public works projects which are not otherwise authorized by law.”

Sec. 513. (a) The first sentence of section 501 (b) of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations, and for other purposes”, approved September 28, 1951 (65 Stat. 36), is amended by striking out “used by such owners and tenants for residential or agricultural purposes.”

(b) The first sentence of section 401 (b) of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations, and for other purposes”, approved July 14, 1952 (66 Stat. 606), is amended by striking out “used by such owner and tenants for residential or agricultural purposes.”

Sec. 514. None of the authorization contained in section 101 of this Act for the construction of three-hundred-and-twenty-six-man barracks with mess shall be used to provide, with respect to any such barracks, for mess facilities other than a single, consolidated mess.

Sec. 515. During the fiscal years 1956 and 1957 the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, respectively, are authorized to lease housing facilities at or near military tactical installations for assignment as public quarters to military personnel and their dependents without rental charge upon a determination by the Secretary of Defense or his designee that there is a lack of adequate housing facilities at or near such military tactical installations: Provided, That not more than one thousand housing units may be so leased and the rental cost to the Government for any housing unit may not exceed $150 per month.

Approved July 15, 1955.

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AN ACT

To provide for the conservation of anthracite coal resources through measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it is hereby recognized that the presence of large volumes of water in anthracite coal formations involves serious wastage of the fuel resources of the Nation, and constitutes a menace to health and safety and national security. It is therefore declared to be the policy of the Congress to
provide for the control and drainage of water in the anthracite coal formations and thereby conserve natural resources, promote national security, prevent injuries and loss of life, and preserve public and private property.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in order to carry out the above-mentioned purposes, to make financial contributions on the basis of programs or projects approved by the Secretary, to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (hereinafter designated as the “Commonwealth”) for control and drainage of water which, if not so controlled or drained, will cause the flooding of anthracite coal formations, said contributions to be applied to the cost of drainage works, pumping plants, and related facilities but subject, however, to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) The amounts authorized to be contributed by the Secretary of the Interior to the Commonwealth shall be equally matched by the Commonwealth;

(b) The total amount of contributions by the Secretary of the Interior under the authority of this Act shall not exceed $8,500,000;

(c) The amounts contributed by the Secretary of the Interior under the authority of this Act and the equally matched amounts contributed by the Commonwealth shall not be used for operating and maintaining projects constructed pursuant to this Act;

(d) The Commonwealth shall have full responsibility for installing, operating, and maintaining projects constructed pursuant to this Act, and shall give evidence, satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior, that it will enforce effective installation, operation, and maintenance safeguards; and

(e) Projects constructed pursuant to this Act shall be so located, operated, and maintained as to provide the maximum conservation of anthracite coal resources and, where possible, to avoid creating inequities among those mines which may be affected by the waters to be controlled thereby.

Sec. 3. The Commonwealth shall furnish to the Secretary of the Interior a statement with respect to the project showing work done, the status of the project, expenditures and amounts obligated, at such times and in such detail as the Secretary of the Interior shall require for the purposes of this Act.

Sec. 4. Whenever the Secretary of the Interior, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing, finds that there is a failure to expend funds in accordance with the terms and conditions governing the Federal contribution for such approved projects, he shall notify the Commonwealth that further payments will not be made to the Commonwealth from appropriations under this Act until he is satisfied that there will no longer be any such failure. Until he is so satisfied the Secretary of the Interior shall withhold the payment of any financial contributions to the Commonwealth.

Sec. 5. The Secretary of the Interior shall render to Congress on or before the first day of February of each year for four consecutive years, commencing on or before February 1, 1955, a report of the progress and accomplishments of the program provided for by this Act.

Sec. 6. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such amounts as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved July 15, 1955.
Public Law 163

CHAPTER 370

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Atomic Energy Commission

operating expenses

For necessary operating expenses of the Commission in carrying out the purposes of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, including the employment of aliens; rental in or near the District of Columbia only if no suitable Government-owned space is available in such area as determined by the General Services Administration; services authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); maintenance and operation of aircraft; publication and dissemination of atomic information; purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms; purchase of newspapers and periodicals (not to exceed $5,000); official entertainment expenses (not to exceed $5,000); not to exceed $3,070,000 for expenses of travel, including expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the function or activity for which this appropriation is made; reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services; not to exceed $38,202,000 for personal services; and hire of passenger motor vehicles; $575,000,000, together with $481,400,000 to be transferred from prior year appropriations under the head “Plant and equipment,” and the unexpended balances, as of June 30, 1955, of prior year appropriations made available under this head to the Atomic Energy Commission: Provided, That of such amounts $100,000 may be expended for objects of a confidential nature and in any such case the certificate of the Commission as to the amount of the expenditure and that it is deemed inadvisable to specify the nature thereof shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the sum therein expressed to have been expended: Provided further, That from this appropriation transfers of sums may be made to other agencies of the Government for the performance of the work for which this appropriation is made, and in such cases the sums so transferred may be merged with the appropriation to which transferred: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used in connection with the payment of a fixed fee to any contractor or firm of contractors engaged under a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract or contracts at any installation of the Commission, where that fee for community management is at a rate in excess of $90,000 per annum, or for the operation of a transportation system where that fee is at a rate in excess of $45,000 per annum.

Any appropriation available under this Act or heretofore made to the Atomic Energy Commission may initially be used subject to limitations in this Act during the fiscal year 1956 to finance the pro-
enurement of materials, services, or other costs which are a part of work or activities for which funds have been provided in any other appropriation available to the Commission: Provided, That appropriate transfers or adjustments between such appropriations shall subsequently be made for such costs on the basis of actual application determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Not to exceed 5 per centum of any appropriation under this head may be transferred to any other such appropriation, but no such appropriation shall be increased by more than 5 per centum by any such transfers, and any such transfers shall be reported promptly to the Appropriations Committees of the House and Senate.

No part of any appropriation herein made to the Atomic Energy Commission shall be used to confer a fellowship on any person who advocates or who is a member of an organization or party that advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence or with respect to whom the Commission finds, upon investigation and report by the Civil Service Commission on the character, associations, and loyalty of whom, that reasonable grounds exist for belief that such person is disloyal to the Government of the United States: Provided, That any person who advocates or who is a member of an organization or party that advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment or a fellowship the salary, wages, stipend, grant, or expenses for which are paid from any appropriation contained herein shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penal clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933, as amended (16 U. S. C., ch. 12A), including hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft, and purchase (not to exceed two hundred and eleven, for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles, $27,053,000, to remain available until expended, and to be available for the payment of obligations chargeable against prior appropriations: Provided, That no funds appropriated for the Tennessee Valley Authority by this paragraph shall be used for the maintenance or operation of any aircraft for passenger service that is not specifically confined to the active operation of the official business of the Tennessee Valley Authority, and not to exceed $673,000 (exclusive of travel for work in connection with the construction of transmission lines, dams, and steam plants) of funds available to the Tennessee Valley Authority shall be used for expenses of travel: Provided further, That no part of funds available for expenditure by this agency shall be used, directly or indirectly, to acquire a building for use as an administrative office of the Tennessee Valley Authority unless and until the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, following a study of the advisability of the proposed acquisition, shall advise the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives and the Tennessee Valley Authority that the acquisition has his approval: Provided further, That there shall be available for resource development activities pursuant to the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933, as amended, not to exceed $1,000,000, of which $400,000 shall be derived from this appropriation and $600,000 shall be derived from proceeds of operations of the Tennessee Valley Authority.
operation and maintenance, southeastern power administration

For necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of power transmission facilities and of marketing electric power and energy pursuant to the provisions of section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U. S. C. 825s), as applied to the southeastern power area, $1,160,000.

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operation and maintenance, southwestern power administration

For necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of power transmission facilities and of marketing electric power and energy pursuant to the provisions of section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U. S. C. 825s), as applied to the southwestern power area, including purchase of not to exceed four passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, $1,250,000.

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continuing fund, southwestern power administration

Not to exceed $6,000,000 shall be available during the current fiscal year from the continuing fund for all costs in connection with the purchase of electric power and energy, and rentals for the use of transmission facilities.

bonneville power administration

construction

For construction and acquisition of transmission lines, substations, and appurtenant facilities, as authorized by law, to remain available until expended, $14,600,000.

operation and maintenance

For necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of the Bonneville transmission system and of marketing electric power and energy, $6,600,000.

administrative provisions

Appropriations of the Bonneville Power Administration shall be available to carry out all the duties imposed upon the Administrator pursuant to law, including purchase of not to exceed ten passenger motor vehicles for replacement only. Appropriations made herein to the Bonneville Power Administration shall be available in one fund, except that the appropriation herein made for operation and maintenance shall be available only for the service of the current fiscal year.

Other than as may be necessary to meet local emergencies, not to exceed 12 per centum of the appropriation for construction herein made for the Bonneville Power Administration shall be available for construction work by force account or on a hired-labor basis.

bureau of reclamation

For carrying out the functions of the Bureau of Reclamation as provided in the Federal reclamation laws (Act of June 17, 1902, 32
For engineering and economic investigations of proposed Federal reclamation projects and studies of water conservation and development plans in each of the seventeen reclamation States and the Territory of Hawaii in their entirety; engineering and economic investigations, as a basis for legislation, and for reports thereon to Congress, relating to projects for the development and utilization of the water resources of Alaska; formulating plans and preparing designs and specifications for authorized Federal reclamation projects or parts thereof prior to initial allocation of appropriations for construction of such projects or parts; and activities preliminary to the reconstruction, rehabilitation and betterment, financial adjustment, or extension of existing projects; to remain available until expended, $5,104,000: Provided. That no part of this amount shall be used on investigation of the Blue South Platte project: Provided further. That none of this appropriation shall be used for more than one-half of the cost of an investigation requested by a State, municipality, or other interest: Provided further. That, except as herein expressly provided with respect to investigations in Alaska, no part of this appropriation shall be expended in the conduct of activities which are not authorized by law.

For construction and rehabilitation of authorized reclamation projects or parts thereof (including power transmission facilities) and for other related activities, as authorized by law, to remain available until expended, $146,041,000, of which $69,287,000 shall be derived from the reclamation fund: Provided, That sums made available for increasing spillway capacity at Alamogordo Dam, Carlsbad project, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing the existing flood hazard, be nonreimbursable and nonreturnable: Provided further. That no part of this appropriation shall be available for other than the completion of field engineering, survey work, and preliminary designs of the Southwest Contra Costa County Water District System and no repayment contract shall be executed or construction begun until plans have been submitted to and approved by the Congress through its legislative and appropriation procedures, after submission of a report to the Congress by the Secretary of the Interior (1) on the cost and feasibility of said project, including the necessary distribution system and (2) on the rates required to be charged to the ultimate consumers: Provided further. That no part of this appropriation shall be used to initiate the construction of transmission facilities within those areas covered by power wheeling service contracts which include provision for service to Federal establishments and preferred customers, except those transmission facilities for which construction funds have been heretofore appropriated, those facilities which are necessary to carry out the terms of such contracts or those facilities for which the Secretary of the Interior finds the wheeling agency is unable or unwilling to provide for the integration of Federal projects or for service to a Federal establishment or preferred customer: Provided further, That no part of this or prior appropriations shall be used for construction, nor for further commitments to construction of Moorhead Dam and Reservoir, Montana, or any feature thereof until a definite plan
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report thereon has been completed, reviewed, by the States of Wyoming and Montana, and approved by the Congress.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

For operation and maintenance of reclamation projects or parts thereof and of other facilities, as authorized by law; and for a soil and moisture conservation program on lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Reclamation, pursuant to law, $24,750,000, of which $20,223,638 shall be derived from the reclamation fund and $1,697,000 shall be derived from the Colorado River dam fund, including (notwithstanding the provisions of the First Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1944, relating thereto) operation and maintenance of Palo Verde Weir: Provided, That funds advanced for operation and maintenance of reclamation projects or parts thereof shall be deposited to the credit of this appropriation and may be expended for the same objects and in the same manner as sums appropriated herein may be expended, and the unexpended balances of such advances shall be credited to the appropriation for the next succeeding fiscal year.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of general administration and related functions in the offices of the Commissioner of Reclamation and in the regional offices of the Bureau of Reclamation, $3,600,000, to be derived from the reclamation fund and to be nonreimbursable pursuant to the Act of April 19, 1945 (43 U. S. C. 377): Provided, That no part of any other appropriation in this Act shall be available for activities or functions budgeted for the current fiscal year as general administrative expenses.

EMERGENCY FUND

For an additional amount for the emergency fund as authorized by the Act of June 26, 1948 (43 U. S. C. 502), $500,000, to be derived from the reclamation fund, special fund, and to remain available until expended for the purposes specified in said Act.

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sums herein referred to as being derived from the reclamation fund, the Colorado River dam fund, or the Colorado River development fund, are appropriated from the special funds in the Treasury created by the Act of June 17, 1902 (43 U. S. C. 391), the Act of December 21, 1928 (43 U. S. C. 617a), and the Act of July 19, 1940 (43 U. S. C. 618a), respectively. Such sums shall be transferred, upon request of the Secretary, to be merged with and expended under the heads herein specified; and the unexpended balances of sums transferred for expenditure under the heads “Operation and Maintenance” and “General Administrative Expenses” shall revert and be credited to the special fund from which derived.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Appropriations to the Bureau of Reclamation shall be available for purchase of not to exceed two hundred forty-five passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; payment of claims for damage to or loss of property, personal injury, or death arising out of activities of the Bureau of Reclamation; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); payment, except as otherwise provided for, of compensation and expense of persons
on the rolls of the Bureau of Reclamation appointed as authorized by law to represent the United States in the negotiation and administration of interstate compacts without reimbursement or return under the reclamation laws; rewards for information or evidence concerning violations of law involving property under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Reclamation; performance of the functions specified under the head “Operation and Maintenance Administration”, Bureau of Reclamation, in the Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1945; preparation and dissemination of useful information including recordings, photographs, and photographic prints; and studies of recreational uses of reservoir areas, and investigation and recovery of archaeological and paleontological remains in such areas in the same manner as provided for in the Act of August 21, 1935 (16 U. S. C. 461-467): Provided, That no part of any appropriation made herein shall be available pursuant to the Act of April 19, 1945 (43 U. S. C. 377), for expenses other than those incurred on behalf of specific reclamation projects except “General Administrative Expenses” and amounts provided for reconnaissance, basin surveys, and general engineering and research under the head “General Investigations”.

Allotments to the Missouri River Basin project from the appropriation under the head “Construction and Rehabilitation” shall be available additionally for said project for those functions of the Bureau of Reclamation provided for under the head “General Investigations” (but this authorization shall not preclude use of the appropriation under said head within that area), and for the continuation of investigations by agencies of the Department on a general plan for the development of the Missouri River Basin. Such allotments may be expended through or in cooperation with State and other Federal agencies, and advances to such agencies are hereby authorized.

Sums appropriated herein which are expended in the performance of reimbursable functions of the Bureau of Reclamation shall be returnable to the extent and in the manner provided by law.

No part of any appropriation for the Bureau of Reclamation, contained in this Act or in any prior Act, which represents amounts earned under the terms of a contract but remaining unpaid, shall be obligated for any other purpose, regardless of when such amounts are to be paid: Provided, That the incurring of any obligation prohibited by this paragraph shall be deemed a violation of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 665).

No funds appropriated to the Bureau of Reclamation for operation and maintenance, except those derived from advances by water users, shall be used for the particular benefit of lands (a) within the boundaries of an irrigation district, (b) of any member of a water users’ organization, or (c) of any individual, when such district, organization, or individual is in arrears for more than twelve months in the payment of charges due under a contract entered into with the United States pursuant to laws administered by the Bureau of Reclamation.

Not to exceed $225,000 may be expended from the appropriation “Construction and Rehabilitation” for work by force account on any one project or Missouri Basin unit and then only when such work is unsuitable for contract or no acceptable bid has been received and, other than otherwise provided in this paragraph or as may be necessary to meet local emergencies, not to exceed 12 per centum of the construction allotment for any project from the appropriation “Construction and Rehabilitation” contained in this Act shall be available for construction work by force account.
GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 201. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, aliens may be employed during the current fiscal year in the field service of the Department for periods of not more than thirty days in cases of emergency caused by fire, flood, storm, act of God, or sabotage.

SEC. 202. Appropriations in this title available for travel expenses shall be available for expenses of attendance of officers and employees at meetings or conventions of members of societies or associations concerned with the work of the bureau or office for which the appropriation concerned is made.

SEC. 203. Appropriations in this title shall be available for expenditure or transfer (within each bureau or office), with the approval of the Secretary, for the emergency reconstruction, replacement or repair of buildings, utilities, or other facilities or equipment damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm, or other unavoidable causes: Provided, That no funds shall be made available under this authority until funds specifically made available to the Department of the Interior for emergencies shall have been exhausted.

SEC. 204. The Secretary may authorize the expenditure or transfer (within each bureau or office) of any appropriation in this title, in addition to the amounts included in the budget programs of the several agencies, for the suppression or emergency prevention of forest or range fires on or threatening lands under jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior.

SEC. 205. Appropriations in this title shall be available for operation of warehouses, garages, shops, and similar facilities, wherever consolidation of activities will contribute to efficiency or economy, and said appropriations shall be reimbursed for services rendered to any other activity in the same manner as authorized by the Act of June 30, 1932 (31 U. S. C. 686): Provided, That reimbursements for cost of supplies, materials and equipment, and for services rendered may be credited to the appropriation current at the time such reimbursements are received.

SEC. 206. The Secretary hereafter is authorized without regard to section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, to place the position of Director, Division of Budget and Finance, in grade GS-17 established by the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, so long as the position is held by the present incumbent.

TITLE III—CIVIL FUNCTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CEMETERY EXPENSES

For necessary cemetery expenses as authorized by law, including maintenance, operation and improvement of national cemeteries, and purchase of headstones and markers for unmarked graves; purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only; maintenance of that portion of Congressional Cemetery to which the United States has title, Confederate burial places under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Army, The Surrender Tree Site in Cuba, and graves used by the Army in commercial cemeteries; $6,000,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall not be used to repair more than a single approach road to any national cemetery: Provided further, That this appropriation shall not be obligated for construction of a superintendents' lodge or family quarters at a cost per unit in excess of $14,000, but such limitation may be increased by such additional amounts as may be required to provide office space, public comfort rooms, or space for the storage of Government property within the same structure.
The following appropriations shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Army and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers for authorized civil functions of the Department of the Army pertaining to rivers and harbors, flood control, beach erosion, and related purposes:

**GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS**

For expenses necessary for the collection and study of basic information pertaining to river and harbor, flood control, shore protection, and related projects, and when authorized by law, preliminary examinations, surveys and studies (including cooperative beach erosion studies as authorized in Public Law Numbered 520, Seventy-first Congress, approved July 3, 1930, as amended and supplemented), of projects prior to authorization for construction, to remain available until expended, $5,940,000, of which $1,000,000 shall be available for the study authorized by P. L. 71, Eighty-fourth Congress: Provided, That of said total sum $180,000 shall be used for a comprehensive investigation of the entire Alabama-Coosa River and a report of said survey.

**CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL**

For the prosecution of river and harbor, flood control, shore protection, and related projects authorized by law; detailed studies, and plans and specifications, of projects (including those for development with participation or under consideration for participation by States, local governments, or private groups) authorized or made eligible for selection by law (but such studies shall not constitute a commitment of the Government to construction); and not to exceed $900,000 for transfer to the Secretary of the Interior for conservation of fish and wildlife as authorized by law; to remain available until expended, $401,173,000, of which $25,000 shall be available for the project at Playa del Rey Inlet and Harbor, Venice, California, authorized by the River and Harbor Act of 1954, and $68,000 shall be available for The Upper Iowa River Project: Provided, That funds appropriated herein may at the discretion and under the direction of the Chief of Engineers be used in payment to the accounts of the Confederated Tribes of the Yakima Reservation; the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation; the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation; or other recognized Indian tribes, and those individual Indians not enrolled in any recognized tribe, but who through domicile at or in the immediate vicinity of the reservoir and through custom and usage are found to have an equitable interest in the fishery, all of whose fishing rights and interests will be impaired by the Government incident to the construction, operation, or maintenance of The Dalles Dam, Columbia River, Washington and Oregon, and must be subordinated thereto by agreement or litigation: Provided further, That not to exceed $210,000 of funds appropriated herein may be transferred to the Secretary of the Interior for relocation of those permanent resident Indian families in The Dalles project who were domiciled within the project area on May 17, 1950, and to acquire such lands as may be necessary therefor on the condition that the Secretary of the Interior transfer to the control of the Secretary of the Army for use in connection with The Dalles Dam project, Oregon, an irregular shaped parcel of land containing in the aggregate approximately five and five-tenths acres located in lot 1 of section 17 and in lots 1 and 2 of section 20, township 2 north, range 15 east, Willamette meridian, Oregon, being a portion of the land previously transferred to the
Secretary of the Interior by the Secretary of the Army pursuant to the Act approved February 9, 1929 (45 Stat. 1158). Title to the lands acquired by the Secretary of the Interior for the above stated purpose shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the individual Indian for whose benefit it is acquired; any such trust may be terminated by the Secretary of the Interior by conveyance of a fee simple title to the Indian or his heirs or devisees, without application therefor, when in the judgment of the Secretary of the Interior the Indian or his heirs or devisees are capable of managing their own affairs. In carrying out such relocations, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into a contract or contracts with any State or political subdivision thereof: Provided further, That not to exceed $4,500,000 of the funds provided herein shall be available for the construction of small authorized projects selected by the Secretary of the Army the cost of which is not in excess of $150,000 and any such project shall be completed within the funds herein appropriated: Provided further, That in lieu of protecting the Lewis and Clark Irrigation District, not to exceed $2,050,000 of the funds herein or hereafter appropriated for the Garrison Dam and Reservoir project on the Missouri River shall be available for the purchase of lands and improvements in the Lewis and Clark Irrigation District, and not to exceed $1,196,000 shall be available for the relocation of highways and utilities therein: Provided, however, That the substitution of land acquisition for protection shall not be made unless two-thirds of the landowners, on or before December 31, 1955, have offered to sell their property on agreeable terms, and which are within the proportion of the total amount provided for such land acquisition: Provided further, That in lieu of protecting the East Bottom of the Buford-Trenton Irrigation District, not to exceed $1,750,000 of the funds herein or hereafter appropriated for the Garrison Dam and Reservoir project on the Missouri River shall be available for the purchase of lands and improvements in and contiguous to the Buford-Trenton Irrigation District, and not to exceed $2,000,000 shall be available to the Corps of Engineers for protection of the intake structure of the pumping plant in Zero Bottom and for the construction of bank protection to prevent erosion in the Missouri River adjacent to the Buford-Trenton irrigation project: Provided, however, That the substitution of land acquisition for protection shall not be made unless two-thirds of the landowners on or before December 31, 1955, have offered to sell their property on agreeable terms, and which are within the proportion of the total amount provided for such land acquisition: Provided further, That in the event land acquisition is undertaken in lieu of protection of the East Bottom, that in recognition of the increased per acre annual operation and maintenance cost of the remaining lands in the Buford-Trenton Irrigation District the construction charge obligation as set forth in a proposed contract between the United States and Buford-Trenton Irrigation District, approved as to form February 23, 1955, assignable to such remaining lands shall be nonreimbursable, and the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to transfer operation and maintenance responsibility for project works constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation for the benefit of the Buford-Trenton Irrigation District to such district: Provided further, That funds herein appropriated shall be available to the Secretary of the Army to reimburse the port of Tacoma for such work as they may have done within the limits of the Federal portion of the Tacoma Harbor project, over and above the work required as a part of the local cooperation for the project, insofar as the same shall be approved by the Chief of Engineers and found to have been done in accordance with the authorized modification
adopted in the 1954 River and Harbor Act: Provided further, That such payment shall not exceed the sum of $373,216: Provided further, That the Corps of Engineers may accept not to exceed $3,000,000 from local interests for prosecution of construction of the authorized project at Brays Bayou, Harris County, Texas, and not to exceed $190,000 for construction of the authorized project at Green Bay Harbor, Wisconsin: Provided further, That funds herein appropriated shall be available for expenditure, in addition to funds heretofore made available for the Oahe, Gavins Point, and Fort Randall Dams and Reservoir projects on the Missouri River, shall be available to cooperate with the State of South Dakota in restoring a reasonable water level to a portion of McCook Lake, Union County, South Dakota, which water level has been impaired and surrounding residential properties damaged by the reduced flow of the Missouri River due to the construction of the Oahe, Fort Randall, and Gavins Point Dam projects: Provided further, That the cost to the United States shall not exceed $150,000: Provided further, That the State or local agencies shall contribute an equal amount to the cost of the restoration works which restoration shall be accomplished by agreement between the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission of the State of South Dakota and the Secretary of the Army acting through the Corps of Engineers.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, GENERAL

For expenses necessary for the preservation, operation, maintenance, and care of existing river and harbor, flood control, and related works, including such sums as may be necessary for the maintenance of harbor channels provided by a State, municipality, or other public agency, outside of harbor lines, and serving essential needs of general commerce and navigation; surveys and charting of northern and northwestern lakes and connecting waters; clearing and straightening channels; removal of obstructions to navigation; rescue work, and repair, restoration, or maintenance of flood control projects threatened or destroyed by flood; and not to exceed $1,000,000 for transfer to the Secretary of the Interior for conservation of fish and wildlife as authorized by law; to remain available until expended, $83,030,000.

GENERAL EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for general administration and related functions in the Office of the Chief of Engineers and offices of the Division Engineers; activities of the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, the Beach Erosion Board, and the California Debris Commission; administration of laws pertaining to preservation of navigable waters; commercial statistics; and miscellaneous investigations; $9,300,000.

FLOOD CONTROL, MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES

For expenses necessary for prosecuting work of flood control, and rescue work, repair, restoration or maintenance of flood control projects threatened or destroyed by flood, as authorized by law (33 U.S.C. 702a, 702g–1), to remain available until expended, $51,962,500.

NIAGARA REMEDIAL WORKS

For financing a part of the United States share of the cost of remedial works in the Niagara River, to be undertaken in accordance with article II of the treaty between the United States of America and Canada, ratified by the United States Senate on August 9, 1950, to remain available until expended, $8,400,000.
For necessary expenses of the United States section of the Saint Lawrence River Joint Board of Engineers, established by Executive Order 10500, dated November 4, 1953, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $100 per day for individuals; $150,000: Provided, That no part of these funds shall be obligated until agreement has been entered into, by the United States Government and the United States entity authorized to construct the power works in the International Rapids section of the Saint Lawrence River, providing for the reimbursement of the expenditures of the United States section of this Board by the construction entity.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Appropriations in this title shall be available for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the work for which the appropriation is made, for uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114), as amended, and for printing, either during a recess or session of Congress, of survey reports authorized by law, and such survey reports as may be printed during a recess of Congress shall be printed, with illustrations, as documents of the next succeeding session of Congress; and during the current fiscal year the revolving fund, Corps of Engineers, shall be available for purchase (not to exceed two hundred and fifty for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles.

The Chief of Engineers hereafter is authorized without regard to section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, to place the position of Chief of the Programs Branch, Office of the Assistant Chief of Engineers for Civil Works, in the grade GS-17 established by the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, so long as the position is held by the present incumbent.

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds made available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or
who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

SEC. 402. This Act may be cited as the "Public Works Appropriation Act, 1956".

Approved July 15, 1955.

Public Law 164

AN ACT

To modify the project for the Denison Reservoir on Red River in Texas and Oklahoma in order to provide for a highway bridge across Lake Texoma.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the project for the Denison Reservoir on Red River in Texas and Oklahoma, as authorized in the Act of June 28, 1938 (52 Stat. 1215), is hereby modified in order to provide for a highway bridge across Lake Texoma, at or near the Willis site, to replace the crossing of Texas State Highway Numbered 91 and Oklahoma State Highway Numbered 99. Such bridge shall be constructed under the direction of the Secretary of the Army and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers, in accordance with such plans as may be recommended by the Chief of Engineers.

SEC. 2. The construction of such bridge shall be subject to the condition that the States of Texas and Oklahoma shall each contribute the sum of $606,000 toward the cost of such bridge.

Approved July 15, 1955.

Public Law 165

AN ACT

To provide rewards for information concerning the illegal introduction into the United States, or the illegal manufacture or acquisition in the United States, of special nuclear material and atomic weapons.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Atomic Weapons Rewards Act of 1955".

SEC. 2. Any person who furnishes original information to the United States—

(a) leading to the finding or other acquisition by the United States of any special nuclear material or atomic weapon which has been introduced into the United States, or which has been manufactured or acquired therein contrary to the laws of the United States, or

(b) with respect to an attempted introduction into the United States or an attempted manufacture or acquisition therein of any special nuclear material or atomic weapon, contrary to the laws of the United States,

shall be rewarded by the payment of an amount not to exceed $500,000.

SEC. 3. An Awards Board consisting of the Secretary of the Treasury (who shall be the Chairman), the Secretary of Defense, the Attorney

Short title.

Bridge. Lake Texoma, Tex.-Okla.


Awards Board. Establishment.
General, the Director of Central Intelligence, and of one member of
the Atomic Energy Commission designated by that Commission, shall
determine whether any person furnishing information to the United
States is entitled to any award and the amount thereof to be paid
pursuant to section 2. In determining whether any person furnishing
information to the United States is entitled to an award and the
amount of such award, the Board shall take into consideration—
(a) whether or not the information is of the type specified in
section 2, and
(b) whether the person furnishing the information was an
officer or employee of the United States and, if so, whether the
furnishing of such information was in the line of duty of that
person.
Any reward of $50,000 or more shall be approved by the President.
Sec. 4. If the information leading to an award under section 3 is
furnished by an alien, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General,
and the Director of Central Intelligence, acting jointly, may determine
that the entry of such alien into the United States is in the public
interest and, in that event, such alien and the members of his im-
mediate family may receive immigrant visas and may be admitted to
the United States for permanent residence, notwithstanding the re-
quirements of the Immigration and Nationality Act.
Sec. 5. The Board established under section 3 is authorized to hold
such hearings and make, promulgate, issue, rescind, and amend such
rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes
of this Act.
Sec. 6. Any awards granted under section 3 of this Act shall be
certified by the Awards Board and, together with the approval of
the President in those cases where such approval is required, trans-
mitted to the Director of Central Intelligence for payment out of
funds appropriated or available for the administration of the National
Security Act of 1947, as amended.
Sec. 7. As used in this Act—
(a) The term “atomic energy” means all forms of energy released
in the course of nuclear fission or nuclear transformation.
(b) The term “atomic weapon” means any device utilizing atomic
energy, exclusive of the means for transporting or propelling the
device (where such means is a separable and divisible part of the device),
the principal purpose of which is for use as, or for development of, a
weapon, a weapon prototype, or a weapon test device.
(c) The term “special nuclear material” means plutonium, or ura-
nium enriched in the isotope 233 or in the isotope 235, or any other
material which is found to be special nuclear material pursuant to
the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954.
(d) The term “United States,” when used in a geographical sense,
includes Puerto Rico, all Territories and possessions of the United
States and the Canal Zone; except that in section 4, the term “United
States” when so used shall have the meaning given to it in the Immi-
gration and Nationality Act.
Approved July 15, 1955.
of the Act of April 6, 1949, as amended, is further amended by striking the word "two" from the first sentence of said subsection and inserting the word "four" and by adding after the first sentence of the said subsection the following new sentence: "After the expiration of the period specified herein, such loans may be made only for supplementary advances to producers indebted for loans made under this subsection, but no such loan shall be made in any event after July 14, 1959."

Approved July 15, 1955.

Public Law 167

AN ACT

To amend the Act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 681) and the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 681), is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The Secretary, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, may dispose of mineral materials (including but not limited to common varieties of the following: sand, stone, gravel, pumice, pumicite, cinders, and clay) and vegetative materials (including but not limited to yucca, manzanita, mesquite, cactus, and timber or other forest products) on public lands of the United States, including, for the purposes of this Act, land described in the Acts of August 28, 1917 (50 Stat. 874), and of June 24, 1954 (68 Stat. 270), if the disposal of such mineral or vegetative materials (1) is not otherwise expressly authorized by law, including, but not limited to, the Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1269), as amended, and the United States mining laws, and (2) is not expressly prohibited by laws of the United States, and (3) would not be detrimental to the public interest. Such materials may be disposed of only in accordance with the provisions of this Act and upon the payment of adequate compensation therefor, to be determined by the Secretary: Provided, however, That, to the extent not otherwise authorized by law, the Secretary is authorized in his discretion to permit any Federal, State, or Territorial agency, unit or subdivision, including municipalities, or any association or corporation not organized for profit, to take and remove, without charge, materials and resources subject to this Act, for use other than for commercial or industrial purposes or resale. Where the lands have been withdrawn in aid of a function of a Federal department or agency other than the department headed by the Secretary or of a State, Territory, county, municipality, water district or other local governmental subdivision or agency, the Secretary may make disposals under this Act only with the consent of such other Federal department or agency or of such State, Territory, or local governmental unit. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to apply to lands in any national park, or national monument or to any Indian lands, or lands set aside or held for the use or benefit of Indians, including lands over which jurisdiction has been transferred to the Department of the Interior by Executive order for the use of Indians. As used in this Act, the word "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior except that it means the Secretary of Agriculture where the lands involved are administered by him for national forest purposes or for the purposes of title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act or where withdrawn for the purpose of any other function of the Department of Agriculture."

Public Lands.

Loans.

Materials disposal.

43 USC 1181a-1181b.

50 Stat. 525.

7 USC 1010 et seq.
SEC. 2. That section 3 of the Act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 681), as amended by the Act of August 31, 1950 (64 Stat. 571), is amended to read as follows:

"All moneys received from the disposal of materials under this Act shall be disposed of in the same manner as moneys received from the sale of public lands, except that moneys received from the disposal of materials by the Secretary of Agriculture shall be disposed of in the same manner as other moneys received by the Department of Agriculture from the administration of the lands from which the disposal of materials is made, and except that revenues from the lands described in the Act of August 28, 1937 (50 Stat. 874), and the Act of June 24, 1954 (68 Stat. 270), shall be disposed of in accordance with said Acts and except that moneys received from the disposal of materials from school section lands in Alaska, reserved under section 1 of the Act of March 4, 1915 (38 Stat. 1214), shall be set apart as separate and permanent funds in the Territorial Treasury, as provided for income derived from said school section lands pursuant to said Act."

SEC. 3. A deposit of common varieties of sand, stone, gravel, pumice, pumicite, or cinders shall not be deemed a valuable mineral deposit within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States so as to give effective validity to any mining claim hereafter located under such mining laws: Provided, however, That nothing herein shall affect the validity of any mining location based upon discovery of some other mineral occurring in or in association with such a deposit. "Common varieties" as used in this Act does not include deposits of such materials which are valuable because the deposit has some property giving it distinct and special value and does not include so-called "block pumice" which occurs in nature in pieces having one dimension of two inches or more.

SEC. 4 (a) Any mining claim hereafter located under the mining laws of the United States shall not be used, prior to issuance of patent therefor, for any purposes other than prospecting, mining or processing operations and uses reasonably incident thereto.

(b) Rights under any mining claim hereafter located under the mining laws of the United States shall be subject, prior to issuance of patent therefor, to the right of the United States to manage and dispose of the vegetative surface resources thereof and to manage other surface resources thereof (except mineral deposits subject to location under the mining laws of the United States). Any such mining claim shall also be subject, prior to issuance of patent therefor, to the right of the United States, its permittees, and licensees, to use so much of the surface thereof as may be necessary for such purposes or for access to adjacent land: Provided, however, That any use of the surface of any such mining claim by the United States, its permittees or licensees, shall be such as not to endanger or materially interfere with prospecting, mining or processing operations or uses reasonably incident thereto; Provided further, That if at any time the locator requires more timber for his mining operations than is available to him from the claim after disposition of timber therefrom by the United States, subsequent to the location of the claim, he shall be entitled, free of charge, to be supplied with timber for such requirements from the nearest timber administered by the disposing agency which is ready for harvesting under the rules and regulations of that agency and which is substantially equivalent in kind and quantity to the timber estimated by the disposing agency to have been disposed of from the claim: Provided further, That nothing in this Act shall be construed as affecting or intended to affect or in any way interfere with or modify the laws of the States which lie wholly or
in part westward of the ninety-eighth meridian relating to the ownership, control, appropriation, use, and distribution of ground or surface waters within any unpatented mining claim.

(c) Except to the extent required for the mining claimant’s prospecting, mining or processing operations and uses reasonably incident thereto, or for the construction of buildings or structures in connection therewith, or to provide clearance for such operations or uses, or to the extent authorized by the United States, no claimant of any mining claim hereafter located under the mining laws of the United States shall, prior to issuance of patent therefor, sever, remove, or use any vegetative or other surface resources thereof which are subject to management or disposition by the United States under the preceding subsection (b). Any severance or removal of timber which is permitted under the exceptions of the preceding sentence, other than severance or removal to provide clearance, shall be in accordance with sound principles of forest management.

Sec. 5. (a) The head of a Federal department or agency which has the responsibility for administering surface resources of any lands belonging to the United States may file as to such lands in the office of the Secretary of the Interior, or in such office as the Secretary of the Interior may designate, a request for publication of notice to mining claimants, for determination of surface rights, which request shall contain a description of the lands covered thereby, showing the section or sections of the public land surveys which embrace the lands covered by such request, or if such lands are unsurveyed, either the section or sections which would probably embrace such lands when the public land surveys are extended to such lands or a tie by courses and distances to an approved United States mineral monument.

The filing of such request for publication shall be accompanied by an affidavit or affidavits of a person or persons over twenty-one years of age setting forth that the affiant or affiants have examined the lands involved in a reasonable effort to ascertain whether any person or persons were in actual possession of or engaged in the working of such lands or any part thereof, and, if no person or persons were found to be in actual possession of or engaged in the working of said lands or any part thereof on the date of such examination, setting forth such fact, or, if any person or persons were so found to be in actual possession or engaged in such working on the date of such examination, setting forth the name and address of each such person, unless affiant shall have been unable through reasonable inquiry to obtain information as to the name and address of any such person, in which event the affidavit shall set forth fully the nature and results of such inquiry.

The filing of such request for publication shall also be accompanied by the certificate of a title or abstract company, or of a title abstractor, or of an attorney, based upon such company’s abstractor’s, or attorney’s examination of those instruments which are shown by the tract indexes in the county office of record as affecting the lands described in said request, setting forth the name of any person disclosed by said instruments to have an interest in said lands under any unpatented mining claim heretofore located, together with the address of such person if such address is disclosed by such instruments of record. “Tract indexes” as used herein shall mean those indexes, if any, as to surveyed lands identifying instruments as affecting a particular legal subdivision of the public land surveys, and as to unsurveyed lands identifying instruments as affecting a particular probable legal subdivision according to a projected extension of the public land surveys.
Thereupon the Secretary of the Interior, at the expense of the requesting department or agency, shall cause notice to mining claimants to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the county in which the lands involved are situate.

Such notice shall describe the lands covered by such request, as provided heretofore, and shall notify whomever it may concern that if any person claiming or asserting under, or by virtue of, any unpatented mining claim heretofore located, rights as to such lands or any part thereof, shall fail to file in the office where such request for publication was filed (which office shall be specified in such notice) and within one hundred and fifty days from the date of the first publication of such notice (which date shall be specified in such notice), a verified statement which shall set forth, as to such unpatented mining claim—

1. the date of location;
2. the book and page of recordation of the notice or certificate of location;
3. the section or sections of the public land surveys which embrace such mining claims; or if such lands are unsurveyed, either the section or sections which would probably embrace such mining claim when the public land surveys are extended to such lands or a tie by courses and distances to an approved United States mineral monument;
4. whether such claimant is a locator or purchaser under such location; and
5. the name and address of such claimant and names and addresses so far as known to the claimant of any other person or persons claiming any interest or interests in or under such unpatented mining claim;

such failure shall be conclusively deemed (i) to constitute a waiver and relinquishment by such mining claimant of any right, title, or interest under such mining claim contrary to or in conflict with the limitations or restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims, and (ii) to constitute a consent by such mining claimant that such mining claim, prior to issuance of patent therefor, shall be subject to the limitations and restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims, and (iii) to preclude thereafter, prior to issuance of patent, any assertion by such mining claimant of any right or title to or interest in or under such mining claim contrary to or in conflict with the limitations or restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims.

If such notice is published in a daily paper, it shall be published in the Wednesday issue for nine consecutive weeks, or, if in a weekly paper, in nine consecutive issues, or if in a semiweekly or triweekly paper, in the issue of the same day of each week for nine consecutive weeks.

Within fifteen days after the date of first publication of such notice, the department or agency requesting such publication (1) shall cause a copy of such notice to be personally delivered to or to be mailed by registered mail addressed to each person in possession or engaged in the working of the land whose name and address is shown by an affidavit filed as aforesaid, and to each person who may have filed, as to any lands described in said notice, a request for notices, as provided in subsection (d) of this section 5, and shall cause a copy of such notice to be mailed by registered mail to each person whose name and address is set forth in the title or abstract company's or title abstractor's or attorney's certificate filed as aforesaid, as having an interest in the
lands described in said notice under any unpatented mining claim heretofore located, such notice to be directed to such person's address as set forth in such certificate; and (2) shall file in the office where said request for publication was filed an affidavit showing that copies have been so delivered or mailed.

(b) If any claimant under any unpatented mining claim heretofore located which embraces any of the lands described in any notice published in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section 5, shall fail to file a verified statement, as above provided, within one hundred and fifty days from the date of the first publication of such notice, such failure shall be conclusively deemed, except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section 5, (i) to constitute a waiver and relinquishment by such mining claimant of any right, title, or interest under such mining claim contrary to or in conflict with the limitations or restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims, and (ii) to constitute a consent by such mining claimant that such mining claim, prior to issuance of patent therefor, shall be subject to the limitations and restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims, and (iii) to preclude thereafter, prior to issuance of patent, any assertion by such mining claimant of any right or title to or interest in or under such mining claim contrary to or in conflict with the limitations or restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims.

(c) If any verified statement shall be filed by a mining claimant as provided in subsection (a) of this section 5, then the Secretary of Interior shall fix a time and place for a hearing to determine the validity and effectiveness of any right or title to, or interest in or under such mining claim, which the mining claimant may assert contrary to or in conflict with the limitations and restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims, which place of hearing shall be in the county where the lands in question or parts thereof are located, unless the mining claimant agrees otherwise. Where verified statements are filed asserting rights to an aggregate of more than twenty mining claims, any single hearing shall be limited to a maximum of twenty mining claims unless the parties affected shall otherwise stipulate and as many separate hearings shall be set as shall be necessary to comply with this provision. The procedures with respect to notice of such a hearing and the conduct thereof, and in respect to appeals shall follow the then established general procedures and rules of practice of the Department of the Interior in respect to contests or protests affecting public lands of the United States. If, pursuant to such a hearing the final decision rendered in the matter shall affirm the validity and effectiveness of any mining claimant's so asserted right or interest under the mining claim, then no subsequent proceedings under this section 5 of this Act shall have any force or effect upon the so-affirmed right or interest of such mining claimant under such mining claim. If at any time prior to a hearing the department or agency requesting publication of notice and any person filing a verified statement pursuant to such notice shall so stipulate, then to the extent so stipulated, but only to such extent, no hearing shall be held with respect to rights asserted under that verified statement, and to the extent defined by the stipulation the rights asserted under that verified statement shall be deemed to be unaffected by that particular published notice.

(d) Any person claiming any right under or by virtue of any unpatented mining claim heretofore located and desiring to receive a copy of any notice to mining claimants which may be published
as above provided in subsection (a) of this section 5, and which may affect lands embraced in such mining claim, may cause to be filed for record in the county office of record where the notice or certificate of location of such mining claim shall have been recorded, a duly acknowledged request for a copy of any such notice. Such request for copies shall set forth the name and address of the person requesting copies and shall also set forth, as to each heretofore located unpatented mining claim under which such person asserts rights—

(1) the date of location;

(2) the book and page of the recording of the notice or certificate of location; and

(3) the section or sections of the public land surveys which embrace such mining claim; or if such lands are unsurveyed, either the section or sections which would probably embrace such mining claim when the public land surveys are extended to such lands or a tie by courses and distances to an approved United States mineral monument.

Other than in respect to the requirements of subsection (a) of this section 5 as to personal delivery or mailing of copies of notices and in respect to the provisions of subsection (e) of this section 5, no such request for copies of published notices and no statement or allegation in such request and no recordation thereof shall affect title to any mining claim or to any land or be deemed to constitute constructive notice to any person that the person requesting copies has, or claims, any right, title, or interest in or under any mining claim referred to in such request.

(e) If any department or agency requesting publication shall fail to comply with the requirements of subsection (a) of this section 5 as to the personal delivery or mailing of a copy of notice to any person, the publication of such notice shall be deemed wholly ineffectual as to that person or as to the rights asserted by that person and the failure of that person to file a verified statement, as provided in such notice, shall in no manner affect, diminish, prejudice or bar any rights of that person.

SEC. 6. The owner or owners of any unpatented mining claim heretofore located may waive and relinquish all rights thereunder which are contrary to or in conflict with the limitations or restrictions specified in section 4 of this Act as to hereafter located unpatented mining claims. The execution and acknowledgment of such a waiver and relinquishment by such owner or owners and the recordation thereof in the office where the notice or certificate of location of such mining claim is of record shall render such mining claim thereafter and prior to issuance of a patent subject to the limitations and restrictions in section 4 of this Act in all respects as if said mining claim had been located after enactment of this Act, but no such waiver or relinquishment shall be deemed in any manner to constitute any concession as to the date of priority of rights under said mining claim or as to the validity thereof.

SEC. 7. Nothing in this Act shall be construed in any manner to limit or restrict or to authorize the limitation or restriction of any existing rights of any claimant under any valid mining claim heretofore located, except as such rights may be limited or restricted as a result of a proceeding pursuant to section 5 of this Act, or as a result of a waiver and relinquishment pursuant to section 6 of this Act; and nothing in this Act shall be construed in any manner to authorize inclusion in any patent hereafter issued under the mining laws of the United States for any mining claim heretofore or hereafter located, of any reservation, limitation, or restriction not other-
wise authorized by law, or to limit or repeal any existing authority to include any reservation, limitation, or restriction in any such patent, or to limit or restrict any use of the lands covered by any patented or unpatented mining claim by the United States, its lessees, permittees, and licensees which is otherwise authorized by law.


Public Law 168

CHAPTER 376

AN ACT

To extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act of August 5, 1953 (67 Stat. 363) is hereby amended by striking out the remainder of the sentence after the word “until” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1958”.

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 169

CHAPTER 377

AN ACT

To declare Pike Creek above the easterly side of the highway bridge at Sixth Avenue in the city of Kenosha, Wisconsin, a nonnavigable stream.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Pike Creek, in the State of Wisconsin, above the easterly side of the highway bridge at Sixth Avenue in the city of Kenosha is hereby declared to be a nonnavigable stream within the meaning of the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 170

CHAPTER 378

AN ACT

To amend the Act of August 24, 1912, to simplify the procedures governing the mailings of certain publications of churches and church organizations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the ninth paragraph under the heading “OFFICE OF THE THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL” contained in the first section of the Act entitled “An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, and for other purposes”, approved August 24, 1912 (37 U. S. C., sec. 229), is amended—

(1) by inserting “or by a church or church organization,” immediately after “or by a regularly established State institution of learning supported in whole or in part by public taxation”;

(2) by inserting “or by churches and church organizations,” immediately after “and such periodical publications, issued by
or under the auspices of benevolent or fraternal societies or orders or trades unions, or by strictly professional, literary, historical, or scientific societies; 

(3) by inserting "churches and church organizations," immediately after "whether such matter pertains to such benevolent or fraternal societies or orders, trades unions, strictly professional, literary, historical, or scientific societies;";

(4) by inserting "churches and church organizations," immediately after "to further the objects and purposes of such benevolent or fraternal societies or orders, trades unions;"; and

(5) by inserting "or by churches and church organizations" immediately after "circulation through the mails of periodical publications issued by, or under the auspices of, benevolent or fraternal societies or orders, or trades unions, or by strictly professional, literary, historical, or scientific societies."

Sec. 2. The amendments made by the first section of this Act shall take effect on the first day of the second calendar month following the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 171

July 26, 1955

To redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" for the purposes of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 3 of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951 (38 U. S. C. 852) is hereby amended (1) by deleting therefrom the words "including a stepchild, adopted child, or an illegitimate child if the latter was designated as beneficiary by the insured" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "including a stepparent, parent by adoption, or person who stood in loco parentis

Public Law 172

July 26, 1955

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber access roads.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior may acquire rights-of-way and existing connecting roads adjacent to public lands whenever he determines that such acquisition is needed to provide a suitable and adequate system of timber access roads to public lands under his jurisdiction.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of this Act, the term "public lands" includes the Revested Oregon and California Railroad and the Reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant Lands in Oregon.

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 173

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to the insured at any time prior to entry into the active service for a period of not less than one year" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "including a parent by adoption, or person who stood in loco parentis to the insured prior to attainment of twenty-one years of age and for a period of not less than one year prior to entry into the active service, or a stepparent who does not meet the loco parentis requirement if designated as beneficiary".

Sec. 2. The amendment made by section 1 of this Act shall be effective April 25, 1951, but shall not be construed (1) to require the discontinuance, for any period prior to the first day of the third calendar month following approval of this enactment, of any servicemen's indemnity award made prior to the date of this Act, or (2) to require duplicate payments of benefits in any case.

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 173

AN ACT

To amend subsection (e) (1) of section 13A of the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 to change from two years to three years the standard contained therein with respect to the past affiliations of individuals conducting the management of certain organizations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of section 13A of the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 is amended by striking out "two years" and inserting "three years" in lieu thereof.

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 174

AN ACT

To amend the Commodity Exchange Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 (a) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (7 U. S. C. 2), is amended by inserting "onions," after the word "eggs," in the third sentence thereof, so that onions are added to the definition of the word "commodity" for the purposes of said Act.

Sec. 2. This Act shall take effect sixty days after the date of its enactment.

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 175

AN ACT

To redefine eligibility for membership in AMVETS (American Veterans of World War II).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of Act approved July 23, 1947, Public Law 216, Eightieth Congress (61 Stat. 407; 36 U. S. C. 676), as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 6. Any person who served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America or any American citizen who served in the armed forces of an allied nation of the United States on or after September
Public Law 176  

CHAPTER 384  

AN ACT  

To amend title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 409 of title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 is amended to read as follows:  

"(a) No compensation shall be paid under this title for any week commencing more than three years after the effective date of this amendment to this section or the effective date of the discharge or release prescribed in section 407(a), whichever is the later date.  

(b) In no event shall compensation be paid under this title for any period after January 31, 1960."

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 177  

CHAPTER 385  

AN ACT  

To authorize the establishment of the City of Refuge National Historical Park, in the Territory of Hawaii, and for other purposes.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, when title to such lands located on the island of Hawaii, within the following-described area, as shall be designated by the Secretary of the Interior, in the exercise of his judgment and discretion as necessary and suitable for the purpose, shall have been vested in the United States, said lands shall be set apart as the City of Refuge National Historical Park, in the Territory of Hawaii, for the benefit and inspiration of the people:

PARCEL 1  

Being all of R. P. 3306, L. C. Aw. 7219, Apana 2 to Kailae, all of L. C. Aw. 9470 to Muki, and portions of R. P. 7874, L. C. Aw. 11316 Apana 34 to M. Kekauonohi (Ahupuaa of Honaunau), and R. P. 6852, L. C. Aw. 7712 Apana 1 to M. Kekuanaoa (Ahupuaa of Keokea).  

Beginning at a one and one-half-inch pipe in concrete monument called "Kalani", at the southeast corner of this parcel, the northeast corner of parcel 3, and on the common boundary of the lands of Keokea and Kailae, the coordinates of said point of beginning referred to Government Survey Triangulation Station "Lae-O-Kanoni" being seven thousand four hundred forty-four and eight-tenths feet south and five thousand three and two-tenths feet east, and running by azimuths measured clockwise from true south:
1. Seventy-nine degrees thirty-three minutes fifteen seconds six hundred and eighty feet along the land of Kiilae, L. C. Aw. 8521-B to G. D. Huen and passing over a rock called “Kuваiа”, marked K+K at six hundred seventy-three and two-tenths feet to high-water mark; thence along high-water mark, along seacoast for the next three courses, the direct azimuths and distances between points at seacoast being:

2. One hundred and thirty-five degrees fifty-one minutes three thousand nine hundred seventy-six and one-tenth feet;

3. One hundred and fifty-two degrees twenty-five minutes one thousand and seventy-eight feet;

4. Two hundred and forty degrees fifty-five minutes one thousand two hundred four and four-tenths feet;

5. Three hundred and fifty-four degrees nine minutes two hundred twenty-four and one-tenth feet along the remainder of L. C. Aw. 11216:34 to M. Kekauonohi, along stone wall and old trail;

6. Two hundred and sixty degrees fifty-four minutes one hundred and nine-tenths feet across old trail along stone wall to a “+” on rock;

7. One hundred and fifty-eight degrees six minutes seventy-two feet along L. C. Aw. 7296 to Puhi, along stone wall;

8. Two hundred and sixty degrees thirty-six minutes ninety and seven-tenths feet along stone wall;

9. One hundred and ninety-four degrees ten minutes sixty-two and nine-tenths feet along stone wall along L. C. Aw. 7295 and 6973-B:2 to Kokelew;

10. One hundred and seventy-five degrees fifty-four minutes twenty-six and nine-tenths feet along stone wall;

11. Two hundred and fifteen degrees thirty-seven minutes forty-seven and four-tenths feet along remainder of L. C. Aw. 11216:34 to M. Kekauonohi;

12. One hundred and seventy-two degrees twenty-eight minutes forty-eight and one-tenth feet along same;

13. Two hundred and twenty-six degrees twenty-three minutes two hundred twenty-eight and eight-tenths feet along remainder of L. C. Aw. 11216:34 to M. Kekauonohi to the south side of fifty-foot road;

14. Two hundred and sixty-four degrees fifty-one minutes one hundred fifteen and two-tenths feet along the south side of fifty-foot road;

15. Two hundred and fifty-two degrees thirteen minutes two hundred and two-tenths feet along same;

16. Two hundred and thirty-eight degrees twenty-five minutes ninety-two and eight-tenths feet along same;

17. Two hundred and twenty-three degrees one minute one hundred fourteen and four-tenths feet along same;

18. Three hundred and thirty-eight degrees forty-nine minutes thirty seconds four thousand nine hundred eighty-one and six-tenths feet along the remainder of L. C. Aw. 11216:34 to M. Kekauonohi and L. C. Aw. 7712:1 to M. Kekuanaoa and passing over a one and one-fourth-inch pipe in concrete monument at one thousand four hundred eighty-one and six-tenths feet to the point of beginning.

Area, one hundred sixty-six and ninety-one-hundredths acres.

**PARCEL 2**

Being portions of L. C. Aw. 11216 Apana 34 to M. Kekauonohi, R. P. 7874 (Ahupuaa of Honaunau).
Beginning at a pipe in concrete at the northeast corner of this parcel, the coordinates of said point of beginning referred to Government Survey Triangulation Station "Lae-O-Kanoni" being two thousand one hundred thirty-nine feet south and eleven thousand six hundred seventeen and nine-tenths feet east and running by azimuths measured clockwise from true south:

1. Three hundred fifty-eight degrees twenty-three minutes two hundred sixty and four-tenths feet along the remainder of L. C. Aw. 11216: 34 to M. Kekauonohi;

2. Ninety-three degrees thirty minutes two hundred and sixty-nine feet along the same, along stone wall, along lot 2 of the subdivision by B. P. Bishop estate;

3. Eighty-two degrees no minutes three hundred and eighteen feet along same to the east side of fifty-foot road;

4. Thence along the east side of fifty-foot road, the direct azimuth and distance being: one hundred seventy-one degrees twenty minutes two hundred ninety-one and five-tenths feet;

5. Two hundred and seventy degrees no minutes six hundred and twenty feet along the remainder of L. C. Aw. 11216: 34 to M. Kekauonohi to the point of beginning.

Area, three and seventy one-hundredths acres.

Together with an easement six feet wide for a pipeline right-of-way extending from the Government road to parcel 1, the south side of said right-of-way being described as follows:

Beginning at the east end of this right-of-way on the common boundary of the lands of Honaunau and Keokea, the coordinates of said point of beginning referred to Government Survey Triangulation Station "Lae-O-Kanoni" being three thousand one hundred ninety and eight-tenths feet south and eleven thousand seventy-eight and eight-tenths feet east, and running by azimuths measured clockwise from true south:

1. Eighty degrees thirty-six minutes five seconds one hundred and seventeen feet along L. C. Aw. 7712: 1 to M. Kekuanaoa, to the Triangulation Station "Ahupuaa" of the B. P. Bishop estate;

2. Eighty-two degrees twenty minutes seven thousand two hundred eighty-nine and one-tenth feet along same to a one and one-fourth-inch pipe in concrete monument on the east boundary of parcel 1 the coordinates of said point of the end of this six-foot right-of-way referred to Government Triangulation Station "Lae-O-Kanoni" being four thousand one hundred eighty-two and four-tenths feet south and three thousand seven hundred thirty-nine and four-tenths feet east.

Area, one and two one-hundredths acres.

PARCEL 3

Being portion of L. C. Aw. 8521-B to G. D. Hueu, being portion of the Ahupuaa of Kiilae.

Beginning at a one and one-half-inch pipe in concrete monument called "Kalani" at the northeast corner of this parcel, the southeast corner of parcel 1, on the common boundary of the land of Keokea and Kiilae, the coordinates of said point of beginning referred to Government Survey Triangulation Station "Lae-O-Kanoni" being seven thousand four hundred forty-four and eight-tenths feet south and five thousand three and two-tenths feet east and running by azimuths measured clockwise from true south:

1. Three hundred thirty-eight degrees forty-nine minutes thirty seconds five hundred ninety-five and four-tenths feet east and running by azimuths measured clockwise from true south:

2. Thence along the east side of fifty-foot road, the direct azimuth and distance being: one hundred seventy-one degrees twenty minutes two hundred ninety-one and five-tenths feet;

3. Two hundred and seventy degrees no minutes six hundred and twenty feet along the remainder of L. C. Aw. 11216: 34 to M. Kekauonohi to the point of beginning.

Area, three and seventy one-hundredths acres.
2. Ninety degrees no minutes one thousand ninety-nine and seven-tenths feet along same and along said eight thousand foot south coordinates line and across school grant 7 Apana 6 to high-water mark;

3. Thence along high-water mark, along sea, the direct azimuth and distance being: two hundred six degrees thirty-three minutes thirty seconds four hundred eighty-two and nine-tenths feet;

4. Two hundred fifty-nine degrees thirty-three minutes fifteen seconds six hundred eighty feet along L. C. Aw. 7712: 1 to M. Kekuanoo and passing over a rock called Kuwaia, marked K + K at six and eight-tenths feet to the point of beginning.

Area, ten and twenty-five one-hundredths acres.

SEC. 2. Upon the vesting of title in the United States to such lands as may be designated by the Secretary of the Interior as necessary and suitable for historical park purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 1 of this Act, the City of Refuge National Historical Park shall be established by order of the said Secretary, which shall be published in the Federal Register. Any other lands within the area described above shall become a part of the national historical park upon the vesting of title thereto in the United States and upon publication of an appropriate supplemental order by the said Secretary in the Federal Register.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to procure, by donation or purchase, with any funds that may be available for that purpose, lands and interests in lands which may be needed for the City of Refuge National Historical Park within the area described in section 1 hereof.

SEC. 4. In order to cooperate with the Secretary of the Interior in consolidating in Federal ownership lands within the area described above, and to facilitate acquisition of the lands needed for the national historical park, the Governor of the Territory of Hawaii is also authorized to acquire lands for said park, at the expense of the Territory of Hawaii by exchange or otherwise, in accordance with procedure prescribed by the Act of February 27, 1920 (41 Stat. 452).


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the two World Wars and the Korean hostilities fought to uphold democracy; to cement the ties and comradeship born of service; and to consecrate the efforts of its members to mutual helpfulness and service to their country."

SEC. 2. That section 5 of such Act of September 16, 1919 (41 Stat. 285, title 36, U.S.C., 1940 edition, sec. 45), as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. That no person shall be a member of this corporation unless he has served in the naval or military services of the United States at some time during any of the following periods: April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918; December 7, 1941, to September 2, 1945; June 25, 1950, to July 27, 1953; all dates inclusive, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of entry therein, served in the military or naval service of any of the governments associated with the United States during said wars or hostilities: Provided, however, That such person shall have an honorable discharge or separation from such service or continues to serve honorably after any of the aforesaid terminal dates."

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Public Law 179

AN ACT

To abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument, Alaska, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Old Kasaan National Monument, in Alaska, is hereby abolished, and the lands thereof shall hereafter be administered as a part of the Tongass National Forest.

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Public Law 180

AN ACT

To amend the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, to extend the time for filing claims for mustering-out payments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 503 of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 is amended by striking out "within two years after the date of enactment of this title" and inserting in lieu thereof "on or before July 16, 1956"

Approved July 26, 1955.

Public Law 181

AN ACT

To provide for payment of a reasonable attorney's fee by the insured in a suit brought by him or on his behalf during his lifetime for waiver of premiums on account of total disability.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 500 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, is hereby amended by substituting a semicolon for the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and adding the following: "except that in a suit brought
by or on behalf of an insured during his lifetime, for waiver of premiums on account of total disability, the court, as part of its judgment or decree, shall determine and allow a reasonable fee to be paid by the insured to his attorney."

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Public Law 182

CHAPTER 417

JOINT RESOLUTION

Providing for an objective, thorough, and nationwide analysis and reevaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness, and for other purposes.

Whereas some seven hundred and fifty thousand mentally ill and retarded patients are now being hospitalized on any given day; and

Whereas 47 per centum of the hospital beds in the Nation are occupied by mental patients; and

Whereas the direct economic cost of mental illness to the taxpayers of the Nation, including pensions to veterans with psychiatric disabilities, is over $1,000,000,000 a year and has been increasing at a rate of $100,000,000 a year; and

Whereas the emotional impact and distress suffered by millions of our people anxiously and justifiably concerned about the welfare, treatment, and prospects of mentally afflicted relatives is incalculable and is one of the most urgent concerns of our people; and

Whereas the Governors of the several States, through national and regional Governors Conferences and through the publications of the Council of State Governments, have shown great initiative in their cooperative attempts to develop better methods of meeting the challenge of mental illness in their States; and

Whereas there is strong justification for believing that this constantly growing burden may well be due primarily to an outmoded reliance on simple custodial care in mental hospitals as the chief method of dealing with mental illness; and

Whereas there is strong reason to believe that lack of early intensive treatment facilities has created such a backlog of mentally deteriorated patients that it has become virtually impossible for the States to meet the need for mental hospital facilities; and

Whereas there is strong reason to believe that one of the greatest impediments to more rapid progress in the field of mental health is a definite shortage of professional personnel in all categories; and

Whereas there seems to be a discouraging lag between the discovery of new knowledge and skills in treating mental illness and their widespread application, as is evidenced by the fact that whereas only about one-third of newly admitted mental patients are discharged from State hospitals in the course of a year, in a few outstanding institutions the recovery rate is 75 per centum or more; and

Whereas experience with certain community out-patient clinics and rehabilitation centers would seem to indicate that many mental patients could be better treated on an out-patient basis at much lower cost than by a hospital; and

Whereas there is strong reason to believe that a substantial proportion of public mental hospital facilities are being utilized for the care of elderly persons who could be better cared for and receive better treatment in modified facilities at lower cost; and

Whereas there is reason to believe that many emotionally disturbed children are being placed in mental hospitals, which have no proper facilities to administer to their needs; and
WHEREAS mental illness is frequently a component of such nationwide problems as alcoholism, drug addiction, juvenile delinquency, broken homes, school failures, absenteeism, and job maladjustment in industry, suicide, and similar problems; and

WHEREAS there seems to be no overall integrated body of knowledge concerning all aspects of the present status of our resources, methods, and practices for diagnosing, treating, caring for, and rehabilitating the mentally ill, although only through the development of such a body of knowledge can the people of the United States ascertain the true nature of this staggering problem and develop more effective plans to meet it: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this joint resolution may be cited as the "Mental Health Study Act of 1955".

STATEMENT OF PURPOSES AND POLICY

SEC. 2. (a) It is the sense of the Congress that there exists a critical need for such an objective, thorough, and nationwide analysis and reevaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness and of the resources, methods, and practices currently utilized in diagnosing, treating, caring for, and rehabilitating the mentally ill, both within and outside of institutions, as may lead to the development of comprehensive and realistic recommendations for such better utilization of those resources or such improvements on and new developments in methods of diagnosis, treatment, care, and rehabilitation as give promise of resulting in a marked reduction in the incidence or duration of mental illness and, in consequence, a lessening of the appalling emotional and financial drain on the families of those afflicted or on the economic resources of the States and of the Nation.

(b) It is declared to be the policy of the Congress to promote mental health and to help solve the complex and the interrelated problems posed by mental illness by encouraging the undertaking of nongovernmental, multidisciplinary research into and reevaluation of all aspects of our resources, methods, and practices for diagnosing, treating, caring for, and rehabilitating the mentally ill, including research aimed at the prevention of mental illness. It is the purpose of this joint resolution to implement that policy.

SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTS FOR COMPREHENSIVE MENTAL HEALTH STUDY

SEC. 3. Part A of title III of the Public Health Service Act is amended by adding after section 303 the following new section:

"GRANTS FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS IN MENTAL HEALTH

"Sec. 304. (a) (1) The Surgeon General is authorized, upon the recommendation of the National Advisory Mental Health Council, to make grants for the carrying out of a program of research into and study of our resources, methods, and practices for diagnosing, treating, caring for, and rehabilitating the mentally ill, such program to be on a scale commensurate with the problem.

(2) Such grants may be made to one or more organizations, but only on condition that the organization will undertake and conduct, or if more than one organization is to receive such grants, only on condition that such organizations have agreed among themselves to undertake and conduct, a coordinated program of research into and study of all aspects of the resources, methods, and practices referred to in paragraph (1)."
“(3) As used in paragraph (2), the term ‘organization’ means a nongovernmental agency, organization, or commission, composed of representatives of leading national medical and other professional associations, organizations, or agencies active in the field of mental health.

“(b) For such purpose there is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, the sum of $250,000 to be used for a grant or grants to help initiate the research and study provided for in this section; and the sum of $500,000 for each of the two succeeding fiscal years for the making of such grants as may be needed to carry the research and study to completion. The terms of any such grant shall provide that the research and study shall be completed not later than three years from the date it is inaugurated; that the grantee shall file annual reports with the Congress, the Surgeon General, and the Governors of the several States, among others that the grantee may select; and that the final report shall be similarly filed.

“(c) Nothing in this section shall in any way affect the availability of amounts otherwise appropriated for work in the field of mental health; nor be construed to interfere with or diminish the more limited and specific programs of research and study being carried on through or under the auspices of the National Institute of Mental Health.

“(d) Any grantee agency, organization, or commission is authorized to accept additional financial support from private or other public sources to assist in carrying on the project authorized by this section.”


Public Law 183

CHAPTER 418

JOINT RESOLUTION

To establish a commission for the celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby established a commission to be known as the Theodore Roosevelt Centennial Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”) which shall be composed of fifteen Commissioners as follows: The President of the United States, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, all ex officio, and eight persons to be appointed by the President of the United States, two Senators to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and two Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Commission, after announcement to the American people of its creation and purpose, to prepare plans and a program for signalizing the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt in the year 1958, including plans for the completion of the development of Theodore Roosevelt Island in the Potomac River in accordance with the Act entitled “An Act to establish a memorial to Theodore Roosevelt in the National Capital”, approved May 21, 1932 (47 Stat. 163) as amended by the Act approved February 11, 1933 (47 Stat. 799), and including the completion of the development of Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park in North Dakota, created by the Act of April 25, 1947 (61 Stat. 52), as amended. In preparing such plans and program, the Commission shall give due consideration to any plan which may be submitted to it, and shall take
such steps as may be necessary to coordinate and correlate its plans with those prepared by State or civic bodies. If the participation of other nations in the commemoration is deemed advisable, the Commission may communicate to that end with the governments of such nations through the State Department.

SEC. 3. (a) The Commission shall select a Chairman and a Vice Chairman from among its members, and may employ, without regard to the civil-service laws or the Classification Act of 1949, such employees as may be necessary in carrying out its functions.

(b) Service of an individual as a member of the Commission shall not be considered as service or employment bringing such individual within the provisions of section 216, 281, 283, 284, 434, or 1914 of title 18 of the United States Code, or section 190 of the Revised Statutes (5 U. S. C. 99) or section 412 of the Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949 (22 U. S. C. 1584); nor shall any member of the Commission by reason of his status as such be deemed to be an “officer of the Government” within the meaning of the Act of April 27, 1916 (5 U. S. C. 101).

SEC. 4. The Commissioners shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in carrying out the duties of the Commission.

SEC. 5. When the Commission has approved a plan of celebration, it shall submit it, insofar as it relates to the fine arts, to the Commission of Fine Arts for its approval.

SEC. 6. The Commission shall, on or before March 1, 1956, make a report to the Congress in order that further enabling legislation may be enacted.

SEC. 7. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution, but in no event shall the sums hereby authorized to be appropriated exceed a total of $10,000.

SEC. 8. The Commission shall expire upon the completion of its duties, but in no event later than October 27, 1959.


Public Law 184

AN ACT

Authorizing the State Highway Commission of the State of Maine to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Saint Croix River between Calais, Maine, and Saint Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State Highway Commission of the State of Maine is authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Saint Croix River, so far as the United States has jurisdiction over the waters of such river, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, between Calais, Maine, and Saint Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled “An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters”, approved March 23, 1906, subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act, and subject to the approval of the proper authorities of the Government of Canada.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Joint Resolution

Consenting to an interstate compact to conserve oil and gas.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to an extension and renewal for a period of four years from September 1, 1955, of the interstate compact to conserve oil and gas, which was signed in the city of Dallas, Texas, the 16th day of February 1935 by the representatives of Oklahoma, Texas, California, and New Mexico, and at the same time and place was signed by the representatives, as a recommendation for approval to the Governors and Legislatures of the States of Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, and Michigan, and prior to August 27, 1935, said compact was presented to and approved by the Legislatures and Governors of the States of New Mexico, Kansas, Oklahoma, Illinois, Colorado, and Texas, which said compact so approved by the six States last above named was deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and thereafter such compact was, by the President, presented to the Congress, and the Congress gave consent to such compact by H. J. Res. 407, approved August 27, 1935 (Public Resolution Numbered 64, Seventy-fourth Congress), and which said compact was thereafter extended and renewed for a period of two years from September 1, 1937, by an agreement executed as of the 10th day of May 1937 by the representatives of the States of Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, New Mexico, Illinois, and Colorado, and was deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and thereafter such extended and renewed compact was, by the President, presented to the Congress and the Congress gave consent to such extended and renewed compact by S. J. Res. 183, approved August 10, 1937 (Public Resolution Numbered 57, Seventy-fifth Congress), and which said compact was thereafter extended and renewed for a period of two years from September 1, 1939, by an agreement duly executed and ratified by the States of Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, and Michigan, and was deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and thereafter such extended and renewed compact was, by the President, presented to the Congress and the Congress gave consent to such extended and renewed compact by H. J. Res. 329, approved July 20, 1939 (Public Resolution Numbered 31, Seventy-sixth Congress), and which said compact was thereafter extended and renewed for a period of two years from September 1, 1941, by an agreement duly executed and ratified by the States of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Illinois, Michigan, Arkansas, Louisiana, New York, and Pennsylvania, and was deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and thereafter such extended and renewed compact was, by the President, presented to Congress and the Congress gave consent to such extended and renewed compact by H. J. Res. 228, approved August 21, 1941 (Public Law 246, Seventy-seventh Congress), and which compact was thereafter extended and renewed for a period of four years from September 1, 1943, by an agreement executed and ratified by the representatives of the States of Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Kentucky, and was deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and thereafter such extended and renewed compact was, by the President of the United States, presented to Congress and the Congress gave consent to such extended and renewed compact by H. J. Res. 198, approved July 7, 1943 (Public Law 117, Seventy-eighth Congress) and thereafter the representatives of the States of Montana, West Virginia, Alabama, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Florida, Tennessee, and Indiana...
executed counterparts of said agreement, and said counterparts so executed were deposited in the Department of State of the United States; and which compact was thereafter extended and renewed for a period of four years from the 1st day of September 1947 by an agreement executed and ratified by the representatives of the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Indiana, which was deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and which compact was thereafter extended and renewed for a period of four years from the 1st day of September 1951, by an agreement executed and ratified by the representatives of the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, and West Virginia, which was deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and such extended and renewed compact was, by the President of the United States, presented to Congress, and Congress gave its consent to such extended and renewed compact by S. J. Res. 122 (Public Law 184, Eightieth Congress); and thereafter the representatives of the States of Kentucky, Illinois, Mississippi, and Michigan executed counterparts of said agreement, which executed counterparts were deposited in the Department of State of the United States; and which compact was thereafter extended and renewed for a period of four years from the 1st day of September 1, 1955, to September 1, 1959, duly executed by the representatives of the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, and West Virginia, has been deposited in the Department of State of the United States, and reads as follows:

AN AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE INTERSTATE COMPACT TO CONSERVE OIL AND GAS

Whereas, on the 16th day of February, 1935, in the City of Dallas, Texas, there was executed “An Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas” which was thereafter formally ratified and approved by the States of Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Illinois, Colorado, and Kansas, the original of which is now on deposit with the Department of State of the United States, a true copy of which follows:

“AN INTERSTATE COMPACT TO CONSERVE OIL AND GAS

“ARTICLE I

“This agreement may become effective within any compacting state at any time as prescribed by that state, and shall become effective within those states ratifying it whenever any three of the states of Texas, Oklahoma, California, Kansas, and New Mexico have ratified and Congress has given its consent. Any oil-producing state may become a party hereto as hereinafter provided.
"ARTICLE II

"The purpose of this compact is to conserve oil and gas by the prevention of physical waste thereof from any cause.

"ARTICLE III

"Each state bound hereby agrees that within a reasonable time it will enact laws, or if laws have been enacted, then it agrees to continue the same in force, to accomplish within reasonable limits the prevention of:

"(a) The operation of any oil well with an inefficient gas-oil ratio.

"(b) The drowning with water of any stratum capable of producing oil or gas, or both oil and gas, in paying quantities.

"(c) The avoidable escape into the open air or the wasteful burning of gas from a natural gas well.

"(d) The creation of unnecessary fire hazards.

"(e) The drilling, equipping, locating, spacing or operating of a well or wells so as to bring about physical waste of oil or gas or loss in the ultimate recovery thereof.

"(f) The inefficient, excessive or improper use of the reservoir energy in producing any well.

"The enumeration of the foregoing subjects shall not limit the scope of the authority of any state.

"ARTICLE IV

"Each state bound hereby agrees that it will, within a reasonable time, enact statutes, or if such statutes have been enacted then that it will continue the same in force, providing in effect that oil produced in violation of its valid oil and/or gas conservation statutes or any valid rule, order or regulation promulgated thereunder, shall be denied access to commerce; and providing for stringent penalties for the waste of either oil or gas.

"ARTICLE V

"It is not the purpose of this compact to authorize the states joining herein to limit the production of oil or gas for the purpose of stabilizing or fixing the price thereof, or create or perpetuate monopoly, or to promote regimentation, but is limited to the purpose of conserving oil and gas and preventing the avoidable waste thereof within reasonable limitations.

"ARTICLE VI

"Each State joining herein shall appoint one representative to a commission hereby constituted and designated as the Interstate Oil Compact Commission, the duty of which said commission shall be to make inquiry and ascertain from time to time such methods, practices, circumstances and conditions as may be disclosed for bringing about conservation and the prevention of physical waste of oil and gas, and at such intervals as said commission deems beneficial it shall report its findings and recommendations to the several States for adoption or rejection.

"The Commission shall have power to recommend the coordination of the exercise of the police powers of the several states within their several jurisdictions to promote the maximum ultimate recovery from the petroleum reserves of said states, and to recommend measures for the maximum ultimate recovery of oil and gas. Said Commission shall organize and adopt suitable rules and regulations for the conduct of its business.
"No action shall be taken by the Commission except: (1) by the affirmative votes of the majority of the whole number of the compacting States represented at any meeting, and (2) by a concurring vote of a majority in interest of the compacting States at said meeting, such interest to be determined as follows: such vote of each State shall be in the decimal proportion fixed by the ratio of its daily average production during the preceding calendar half-year to the daily average production of the compacting States during said period.

"ARTICLE VII

"No State by joining herein shall become financially obligated to any other State, nor shall the breach of the terms hereof by any State subject such State to financial responsibility to the other States joining herein.

"ARTICLE VIII

"This compact shall expire September 1, 1937. But any State joining herein, may upon sixty (60) days notice, withdraw herefrom.

"The representatives of the signatory States have signed this agreement in a single original which shall be deposited in the archives of the Department of State of the United States, and a duly certified copy shall be forwarded to the Governor of each of the signatory States.

"This compact shall become effective when ratified and approved as provided in Article I. Any oil-producing State may become a party hereto by affixing its signature to a counterpart to be similarly deposited, certified, and ratified."

Whereas, the said Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas has heretofore been duly renewed and extended with the consent of the Congress to September 1, 1955; and,

Whereas, it is desired to renew and extend the said Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas for a period of four (4) years from September 1, 1955, to September 1, 1959;

Now, Therefore, This Writing Witnesseth:

It is hereby agreed that the Compact entitled "An Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas" executed in the City of Dallas, Texas, on the 16th day of February, 1935, and now on deposit with the Department of State of the United States, a correct copy of which appears above, be, and the same hereby is, extended for a period of four (4) years from September 1, 1955, its present date of expiration, this agreement shall become effective when executed, ratified, and approved as provided in Article I of the original Compact.

The signatory states have executed this agreement in a single original which is deposited in the archives of the Department of State of the United States and a duly certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Governor of each of the signatory states. Any oil-producing state may become a party hereto by executing a counterpart of this agreement to be similarly deposited, certified, and ratified.

Executed by the several undersigned states, at their several state capitols, through their proper officials on the dates as shown, as duly authorized by statutes and resolutions, subject to the limitations and qualifications of the acts of the respective State Legislatures.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

By GORDON PERSONS, Governor

Dated: 6-29-54
Attest: Mrs. Agnes Baggett
Secretary of State

(SEAL)
THE STATE OF ARKANSAS
By Francis Cherry, Governor
Dated: 6-14-54
Attest: C. G. Hall
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF COLORADO
By Dan Thornton, Governor
Dated: 5-3-54
Attest: Homer M. Bruce
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF FLORIDA
By Charley E. Johns, Governor
Dated: 9-13-54
Attest: R. A. Gray
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
By , Governor
Dated: 
Attest: 
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF INDIANA
By George N. Craig, Governor
Dated: 5-21-54
Attest: Crawford F. Parker
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF KANSAS
By Edward F. Arn, Governor
Dated: 11-18-54
Attest: Paul R. Shanahan
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF KENTUCKY
By Lawrence W. Wetherby, Governor
Dated: 10-19-54
Attest: Charles K. O'Connell
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF LOUISIANA
By Robert F. Kennon, Governor
Dated: 7-5-54
Attest: J. R. Nelson
Assistant Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF MICHIGAN
By G. Mennen Williams, Governor
Dated: 12-14-54
Attest: Owen J. Cleary
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
By Hugh L. White, Governor
Dated: 8-19-54
Attest: Heber Ladner
Secretary of State
(SEAL)
THE STATE OF MONTANA
By J. Hugo Aronson, Governor
Dated: 5-26-54
Attest: Sam W. Mitchell
Secretary of State
By: Clifford L. Walker
Deputy
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA
By Robert B. Crosby, Governor
Dated: 6-22-54
Attest: Frank Marsh
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO
By Edwin L. Mechem, Governor
Dated: 5-12-54
Attest: Beatrice B. Roach
Secretary of State

THE STATE OF NEW YORK
By Thomas E. Dewey, Governor
Dated: 10-7-54
Attest: Ruth M. Miner
Executive Deputy
(For Secretary of State)
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
By C. Norman Brunsdale, Governor
Dated: 8-16-54
Attest: Thomas Hall
Secretary of State
By: Frank Diettman
Deputy
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF OHIO
By Frank J. Lausche, Governor
Dated: 7-26-54
Attest: Ted W. Brown
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA
By Johnston Murray, Governor
Dated: 4-1-54
Attest: John D. Conner
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
By John S. Fine, Governor
Dated: 8-27-54
Attest: Gene D. Smith
Secretary of State
(SEAL)

THE STATE OF TENNESSEE
By Frank G. Clement, Governor
Dated: 8-10-54
Attest: G. Edward Friar
Secretary of State
(SEAL)
Sec. 2. The Attorney General of the United States shall make an annual report to the Congress for the duration of the Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas as to whether or not the activities of the States under the provisions of such compact have been consistent with the purpose as set out in article V of such compact.


Public Law 186

AN ACT

To authorize the transfer to the Department of Agriculture, for agricultural purposes, of certain real property in Saint Croix, Virgin Islands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Virgin Islands Corporation is authorized and directed to transfer and convey to the United States of America upon request of the Secretary of Agriculture, without cost, the real property comprising sixty acres more or less, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, occupied and in use by the Department of Agriculture, which property is adjacent to the southwest corner of the intersection of Centerline Road and Airport Road on the Island of St. Croix, Virgin Islands: Provided. Upon the transfer and conveyance of such property by the Virgin Islands Corporation to the United States, the interest-bearing investment of the United States in the Corporation shall be reduced by the net book value of such property.


Public Law 187

AN ACT

To authorize the leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for historical and for park purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the leasing of Indian lands situated within the State of Washington for business and other purposes", approved August 9, 1946 (25 U. S. C., secs. 408b and 403c), or any other provision of law, the Yakima Tribe acting through its tribal council may lease to the State of Washington that land more particularly described in section 4 for the purpose of developing, maintaining, and preserving Fort Simcoe (Mool-Mool) for historical and for park purposes.

SEC. 2. The lease entered into under authority of the first section of this Act—
(1) shall be null and void and the Yakima Tribe shall have the right of immediate possession if the State of Washington ever ceases to maintain Fort Simcoe (Mool-Mool) for historical and for park purposes;
(2) shall be entered into for a period of ninety-nine years;
(3) shall not contain any provision permitting the exploitation of any natural resource;
(4) shall specifically reserve to the Yakima Tribe all mineral and other subsurface rights in such lands which such tribe possesses on the date of enactment of this Act; and
(5) shall be entered into under such rules and regulations, and contain such other provisions, as the Secretary of the Interior shall prescribe.

SEC. 3. The existing agreement between the Yakima Tribe and the State of Washington may be amended to comply with this Act.

SEC. 4. (a) The land on the Yakima Indian Reservation, Washington, which may be leased pursuant to this Act, is more particularly described as follows:
The east half of the northeast quarter of section 20, and the west half of the northwest quarter of section 21, and the west half of the east half of the northwest quarter of section 21, all in township 10 north, range 16 east, Willamette meridian, containing two hundred acres more or less.
(b) Such additional tribal lands of the Yakima Tribe as adjoin the land described in subsection (a) may, pursuant to all of the terms and conditions of this Act, be leased by such tribe, acting through its tribal council, to the State of Washington.


Public Law 188

AN ACT

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) for the purpose of effecting consolidations of land, situated within the Yakima Indian Reservation in the State of Washington, between the Yakima Tribes of Indians and individual members of the tribes and other Indians, for the mutual benefit of the tribes and the individual members thereof, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized in his discretion to—
(1) purchase for the Yakima Tribes, with tribal funds of such tribes on deposit in the United States Treasury, or otherwise, any lands held by individual members of the Yakima Tribes and other Indians under trust patent or other restrictions against alienation including lands in heirship status, within the Yakima Indian Reservation, including interests therein or improvements thereon, water rights, and surface rights;
(2) sell to individual members of the Yakima Tribes any tribal trust lands within such reservation, including lands, interests, improvements, and rights acquired for the tribes under this Act; and
(3) exchange any tribal trust lands within such reservation, including lands, interests, improvements, and rights acquired for the tribes under this Act, for lands situated within such reservation which are held by individual members of the tribes and other Indians under trust patent or other restrictions against alienation including lands in heirship status.

(b) The Secretary shall obtain the advice and consent of the Yakima Tribal Council before entering into any such transaction. The terms and conditions of any such transaction, including the price at which any land is so purchased or sold and the valuation of any lands so exchanged, shall be mutually agreed upon by the Secretary, the Yakima Tribal Council, and the individual Indian or Indians concerned. Any such exchange of tribal lands for lands held by individual members of the Yakima Tribes or other Indians, and for lands in heirship status, shall be effected on the basis of approximately equal consideration with due allowance for the value of improvements in determining the value of such lands.

Sec. 2. (a) Title to lands, interests, improvements, or rights so acquired by the Secretary for the Yakima Tribes through purchase or exchange shall be held by the United States in trust for the Yakima Tribes. Title to tribal trust lands, interests, improvements, or rights sold by the Secretary to individual members of the Yakima Tribes or exchanged by the Secretary for lands held under trust patent or other restrictions against alienation by individual members of the tribes and other Indians or for lands in heirship status shall be held by the United States in trust for the individual Indian or Indians concerned.

(b) Sums derived from the sale of tribal trust lands, interests, improvements, and rights shall be credited to the tribal funds of the Yakima Tribes.

Sec. 3. (a) No transaction entered into under this Act shall affect, without the consent of the lessee, any lease of lands, interests, improvements, or rights involved in such transaction, or any right of the lessee with respect to extension or renewal of such lease, which is in existence at the time such transaction is entered into.

(b) Nothing in this Act shall affect the existing status of any lands, interests, improvements, or rights with respect to taxation.

Sec. 4. The Secretary is authorized to prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.


Public Law 189

CHAPTER 424

AN ACT

To amend section 3 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949, as amended, to provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 166, as amended; 5 U. S. C. 836) is further amended by striking "$9" and inserting in lieu thereof "$12"; and by striking the period at the end thereof and adding the following additional proviso: "And provided further, That where due to the unusual circumstances of a travel assignment within the limits of the continental United States such maximum per diem
allowance would be much less than the amount required to meet the actual and necessary expenses of the trip, the heads of departments and establishments may, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Director, Bureau of the Budget, pursuant to section 7, prescribe conditions under which reimbursement for such expenses may be authorized on an actual expense basis not to exceed a maximum amount to be specified in the travel authorization, but in any event not to exceed $25 for each day in travel status.”

Sec. 2. Section 5 of the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 808; 5 U. S. C. 73b-2) is amended by striking “$10 per diem” and inserting in lieu thereof “$15 per diem within the limits of the continental United States and beyond such limits, not to exceed the rates of per diem established by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget pursuant to section 3 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949, as amended (5 U. S. C. 836)”; and by striking the period at the end thereof and adding the following additional proviso: “And provided further, That where due to the unusual circumstances of a travel assignment within the limits of the continental United States such maximum per diem allowance would be much less than the amount required to meet the actual and necessary expenses of the trip, the heads of departments and establishments may, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Director, Bureau of the Budget, pursuant to section 7 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949 as amended (5 U. S. C. 840) prescribe conditions under which reimbursement for such expenses may be authorized on an actual expense basis not to exceed a maximum amount to be specified in the travel authorization, but in any event not to exceed $25 for each day in travel status.”

Sec. 3. The first sentence of section 1823 (a) of title 28, United States Code, is amended by striking the portion “and if travel is made by privately owned automobile mileage at a rate not to exceed 7 cents per mile, together with a per diem allowance not to exceed $9 in lieu of subsistence” and inserting in lieu thereof “or, if travel is made by privately owned automobile, at a rate not to exceed that prescribed in section 4 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949, together with a per diem allowance in lieu of subsistence not to exceed the rates of per diem as described in, or established pursuant to, section 3 thereof”.

Sec. 4. Section 4 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 166; 5 U. S. C. 837) is amended by striking out “4 cents” and “7 cents” and inserting “6 cents” and “10 cents”, respectively, in lieu thereof.

Public Law 191

AN ACT

To amend the Act authorizing the conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Montana, in order to extend for five years the authority under such Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize the conveyance to the city of Miles City, State of Montana, certain lands in Custer County, Montana, and for other purposes”, approved June 16, 1950 (64 Stat. 233), is amended by striking out “five years” and inserting in lieu thereof “ten years”.

Approved July 29, 1955.

Public Law 192

AN ACT

To amend the joint resolution approved August 30, 1954, relating to the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the joint resolution approved August 30, 1954, entitled “To establish the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission, and for other purposes” (68 Stat. 964), is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 5. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this joint resolution but in no event shall the sums hereby authorized exceed a total of $41,500 in addition to the sum of $10,000 originally authorized by this resolution.”

Approved July 29, 1955.

Public Law 193

AN ACT

To amend section 622 of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first proviso of section 622 of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1008), as added by section 10 of the Insurance Act of 1951 (65 Stat. 36), is amended to read as follows: “Provided, That no premium shall be waived under this section for any period before the date of application therefor, except that if the insured is determined, as provided in the Missing Persons Act (56 Stat. 143), as amended, to have been in a status of missing, missing in action, interned, captured, beleaguered, or besieged, at any time after April 25, 1951, and before April 26, 1952, (A) all premiums due or paid after June 1, 1951, on five-year level premium term insurance shall, during the period of such status and during the remainder of his continuous active service and one hundred and twenty days thereafter, be waived unless the insured requests in writing that this waiver be terminated; and (B) that portion of any permanent insurance premiums due or paid after June 1, 1951, which represents the cost of the pure insurance risk shall, during the period of such status and during the remainder of his continuous

National Service Life Insurance. 
38 USC 823. 
Premium waiver.

50 U S C app. 
1001 note.
active service and one hundred and twenty days thereafter, be waived if the insured applies therefor within one hundred and twenty days after the date of enactment of this clause or the date of his return to military jurisdiction, whichever is later, or if the insured dies or is declared dead while in such missing status or if the insured dies on or prior to the last day upon which he may apply for such waiver under this clause, except that premiums shall not be automatically waived with respect to any policy where the amount of the dividend earned would exceed the amount of the premium waived."

Sec. 2. The third proviso of section 622 of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1008), as added by section 10 of the Insurance Act of 1951 (65 Stat. 36) is amended to read as follows: "Provided further, That premium waiver benefits under this section render the contract of insurance nonparticipating during the period a premium waiver is in effect."

Approved July 29, 1955.

Public Law 194

CHAPTER 432

AN ACT

To amend certain provisions of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fourth sentence of section 5 of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951 (38 U. S. C. 854), is amended to read as follows: "Any person having United States Government life insurance or national service life insurance on the five-year level premium term plan, the term of which expires while such person is in active service after April 25, 1951, or within one hundred and twenty days after separation from such active service, shall, upon application made within one hundred and twenty days after separation from service or the enactment of this amendment, whichever be the later, payment of premiums and evidence of good health satisfactory to the Administrator, be granted an equivalent amount of insurance on the five-year level premium term plan at the premium rate for his then attained age."

Sec. 2. The last sentence of section 5 of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951 (part I, Public Law 23, Eighty-second Congress), is amended, effective April 25, 1951, to read as follows: "Waiver of premiums and total disability income benefits otherwise authorized under the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended, or the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, shall not be denied in any case of issue or reinstatement of insurance on a permanent plan under this section in which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Administrator that total disability of the applicant commenced prior to the date of his application. The cost of premiums waived and total disability income benefits paid by virtue of the preceding sentence and the excess mortality cost in any case where the insurance matures by death from such total disability shall be borne by the United States and the Administrator is authorized and directed to transfer from time to time from the national service life insurance appropriation to the National Service Life Insurance fund and from the military and naval insurance appropriation to the United States Government Life Insurance Fund such sums as may be necessary to reimburse the funds for such costs."

Approved July 29, 1955.
Public Law 195  
AN ACT  
Making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Office of the Secretary of Labor (hereafter in this title referred to as the Secretary), including the conduct of a program of promoting employment of the older worker, and including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); teletype news service; and payment in advance when authorized by the Secretary for dues or fees for library membership in organizations whose publications are available to members only or to members at a price lower than to the general public; $1,587,000, of which not more than $145,000 shall be for international labor affairs.

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Office of the Solicitor, $1,482,900.

BUREAU OF LABOR STANDARDS

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the promotion of industrial safety, employment stabilization, and amicable industrial relations for labor and industry; performance of safety functions of the Secretary under the Federal Employees’ Compensation Act, as amended (5 U. S. C. 754 (e)); performance of the functions vested in the Secretary by title I of the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947 (29 U. S. C. 159 (f) and (g)); not to exceed $50,000 for improving the conditions of migratory labor; and not less than $130,000 for the work of the President’s Committee on National Employment of the Physically Handicapped Week, as authorized by the Act of July 11, 1949 (63 Stat. 409), and provided further that no part of the appropriation for the President’s Committee shall be subject to reduction or transfer to any other department or agency under the provisions of any existing law; including purchase of reports and of material for informational exhibits and expenses of attendance of cooperating officials and consultants at conferences concerned with the work of the Bureau of Labor Standards; $817,500.

BUREAU OF VETERANS’ REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary to render assistance in connection with the exercise of reemployment rights under section 8 of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended (50 U. S. C. App. 308), the Service Extension Act of 1941, as amended, the Army Reserve and Retired Personnel Service Law of 1940, as 54 Stat. 890. 55 Stat. 625. 50 USC app. 351.
amended, and section 9 of the Universal Military Training and Service Act, and, under the Act of June 23, 1943, as amended (50 U. S. C. App. 1472), of persons who have performed service in the Merchant Marine, $360,500.

**BUREAU OF APPRENTICESHIP**

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary to enable the Secretary to conduct a program of encouraging apprentice training as authorized by the Act of August 16, 1937 (29 U. S. C. 50), $3,150,000.

**BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY**

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the general administration of the employment service and unemployment compensation programs, including temporary employment of persons, without regard to the civil-service laws, for the farm placement migratory labor program; and not to exceed $10,000 for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); $8,021,250, of which $900,000 shall be for carrying into effect the provisions of title IV (except section 602) of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944.

Grants to States for unemployment compensation and employment service administration: For grants in accordance with the provisions of the Act of June 6, 1933, as amended (29 U. S. C. 49-49n), for carrying into effect section 602 of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, for grants to the States as authorized in title III of the Social Security Act, as amended (42 U. S. C. 501-503), including, upon the request of any State, the purchase of equipment, and the payment of rental for space made available to such State in lieu of grants for such purpose, for necessary expenses in connection with the operation of employment office facilities and services in the District of Columbia, and for expenses not otherwise provided for, necessary for carrying out title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 (66 Stat. 684) and title XV of the Social Security Act, as amended (68 Stat. 1130), $250,000,000, of which $20,000,000 shall be available only to the extent that the Secretary finds necessary to meet increased costs of administration resulting from changes in a State law or increases in the numbers of claims filed and claims paid or increased salary costs resulting from changes in State salary compensation plans embracing employees of the State generally over those upon which the State's basic grant (or the allocation for the District of Columbia) was based, which increased costs of administration cannot be provided for by normal budgetary adjustments; Provided, That notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in section 302 (a) of the Social Security Act, as amended, the Secretary of Labor shall from time to time certify to the Secretary to the Treasury for payment to each State found to be in compliance with the requirements of the Act of June 6, 1933, and, except in the case of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, with the provisions of section 303 of the Social Security Act, as amended, such amounts as he determines to be necessary for the proper and efficient administration of its unemployment compensation law and of its public employment offices: Provided further, That such amounts as may be agreed upon by the Department of Labor and the Post Office Department shall be used for the payment, in such manner as said parties may jointly determine, of postage for the transmission of official mail matter in connection with the administration of unemployment compensation systems and employment services by States receiving grants herefrom.
In carrying out the provisions of said Act of June 6, 1933, the provisions of section 303 (a) (1) of the Social Security Act, as amended, relating to the establishment and maintenance of personnel standards on a merit basis, shall apply.

None of the funds appropriated by this title to the Bureau of Employment Security for grants-in-aid of State agencies to cover, in whole or in part, the cost of operation of said agencies including the salaries and expenses of officers and employees of said agencies, shall be withheld from the said agencies of any States which have established by legislative enactment and have in operation a merit system and classification and compensation plan covering the selection, tenure in office, and compensation of their employees, because of any disapproval of their personnel or the manner of their selection by the agencies of the said States, or the rates of pay of said officers or employees.

Grants to States, next succeeding fiscal year: For making, after May 31 of the current fiscal year, payments to States under title III of the Social Security Act, as amended, and under the Act of June 6, 1933, as amended, for the first quarter of the next succeeding fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary, the obligations incurred and the expenditures made thereunder for payments under such title and under such Act of June 6, 1933, to be charged to the appropriation therefor for that fiscal year.

Unemployment compensation for veterans: For payments to unemployed veterans as authorized by title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, $150,000,000.

Unemployment compensation for veterans, next succeeding fiscal year: For making, after May 31 of the current fiscal year, payments to States, as authorized by title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, such sums as may be necessary to pay benefits for the first quarter of the next succeeding fiscal year, and the obligations and expenditures thereunder shall be charged to the appropriation therefor for that fiscal year.

Unemployment compensation for Federal employees: For payments to unemployed Federal employees, either directly or through payments to States, as authorized by title XV of the Social Security Act, as amended, $20,000,000, to remain available until expended.

Unemployment compensation for Federal employees, next succeeding fiscal year: For making, after May 31 of the current fiscal year, payments to States, as authorized by title XV of the Social Security Act, as amended, such amounts as may be required for payment to unemployed Federal employees for the first quarter of the next succeeding fiscal year, and the obligations and expenditures thereunder shall be charged to the appropriation therefor for that fiscal year.

Salaries and expenses, Mexican farm labor program: For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary to carry out the functions of the Department of Labor under the Act of July 12, 1951 (Public Law 78), as amended, including temporary employment of persons without regard to the civil service laws, $1,135,000.

BUREAU OF EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary administrative expenses and not to exceed $112,000 for the Employees' Compensation Appeals Board, $2,174,500, together with not to exceed $100,000 to be derived from the War Claims Fund created by section 13 (a) of the War Claims Act of 1948 (50 U. S. C. 2012).

Employees' compensation fund: For the payment of compensation and other benefits and expenses (except administrative expenses)
authorized by law and accruing during the current or any prior fiscal year, including payments to other Federal agencies for medical and hospital services pursuant to agreement approved by the Bureau of Employees' Compensation; continuation of payment of benefits as provided for under the head "Civilian War Benefits" in the Federal Security Agency Appropriation Act, 1947; the advancement of costs for enforcement of recoveries in third-party cases; the furnishing of medical and hospital services and supplies, treatment, and funeral and burial expenses, including transportation and other expenses incidental to such services, treatment, and burial, for such enrollees of the Civilian Conservation Corps as were certified by the Director of such Corps as receiving hospital services and treatment at Government expense on June 30, 1943, and who are not otherwise entitled thereto as civilian employees of the United States, and the limitations and authority of the Act of September 7, 1916, as amended (5 U. S. C. 796), shall apply in providing such services, treatment, and expenses in such cases; such amount as may be required during the current fiscal year: Provided, That this appropriation shall be available for payments pursuant to sections 4 (c) and 5 (f) of the War Claims Act of 1948 (50 U. S. C. 2012) and shall be credited with advances or reimbursements therefrom to the War Claims Fund created by section 13 (a) of said War Claims Act of 1948.

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the work of the Bureau, including advances or reimbursement to State, Federal, and local agencies and their employees for services rendered, and not to exceed $15,000 for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $6,065,000.

WOMEN'S BUREAU

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the work of the Women's Bureau, as authorized by the Act of June 5, 1920 (29 U. S. C. 11–16), including purchase of reports and material for informational exhibits, $348,000.

WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for performing the duties imposed by the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, and the Act to provide conditions for the purchase of supplies and the making of contracts by the United States, approved June 30, 1936, as amended (41 U. S. C. 35–45), including reimbursement to State, Federal, and local agencies and their employees for inspection services rendered, and not to exceed $3,000 for expenses of attendance of cooperating officials and consultants at conferences concerned with the work of the Division, $6,162,000.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 102. Appropriations under this title available for salaries and expenses shall be available for stenographic reporting services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), and for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the function or activity for which any such appropriation is made. This title may be cited as the "Department of Labor Appropriation Act, 1956".
Education of the blind: For carrying out the Act of August 4, 1919, as amended (20 U.S.C. 101), $224,000.

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses for carrying out the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended (21 U.S.C. 301-392); the Tea Importation Act, as amended (21 U.S.C. 41-50); the Import Milk Act (21 U.S.C. 141-149); the Federal Caustic Poison Act (15 U.S.C. 401-411); and the Filled Milk Act, as amended (21 U.S.C. 61-64); including purchase of not to exceed forty-three passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; reporting and illustrating the results of investigations; purchase of chemicals, apparatus, and scientific equipment; not to exceed $2,000 for payment in advance for special tests and analyses by contract; and payment of fees, travel, and per diem in connection with studies of new developments pertinent to food and drug enforcement operations; $5,484,000.

Salaries and expenses, certification, inspection, and other services: For expenses necessary for the certification or inspection of certain products, and for the establishment of tolerances for pesticides, in accordance with sections 406, 408, 504, 506, 604, 702A, and 706 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended (21 U.S.C. 346, 348, 354, 356, 357, 364, 372a, and 376); the aggregate of the advance deposits during the current fiscal year to cover payments of fees for services in connection with such certifications, inspections, or establishment of tolerances, to remain available until expended. The total amount herein appropriated shall be available for personal services; purchase of chemicals, apparatus, and scientific equipment; purchase of not to exceed four passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; expenses of advisory committees; and the refund of advance deposits for which no service has been rendered.

FREEDMEN'S HOSPITAL

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for operation and maintenance, including repairs; furnishing, repairing, and cleaning of wearing apparel used by employees in the performance of their official duties; transfer of funds to the appropriation "Salaries and expenses, Howard University" for salaries of technical and professional personnel detailed to the hospital; payments to the appropriation of Howard University for actual cost of heat, light, and power furnished by such university; $2,880,000: Provided, That no intern or resident physician receiving compensation from this appropriation on a full-time basis shall receive compensation in the form of wages or salary from any other appropriation in this title: Provided further, That the District of Columbia shall pay by check to Freedmen's Hospital, upon the Surgeon General's request, in advance at the beginning of each quarter, such amount as the Surgeon General calculates will be earned on the basis of rates approved by the Bureau of the Budget for the care of patients certified by the District of Columbia. Bills rendered by the Surgeon General on the basis of such calculations shall not be subject to audit or certification in advance of payment; but proper adjustment of amounts which have been paid in advance on the basis of such calculations shall be made at the end of each quarter: Provided that no intern or resident physician receiving compensation from this appropriation shall be subject to audit or certification in advance of payment; but proper adjustment of amounts which have been paid in advance on the basis of such calculations shall be made at the end of each quarter: Provided further, That no intern or resident physician receiving compensation from this appropriation on a full-time basis shall receive compensation in the form of wages or salary from any other appropriation in this title: Provided further, That the District of Columbia shall pay by check to Freedmen's Hospital, upon the Surgeon General's request, in advance at the beginning of each quarter, such amount as the Surgeon General calculates will be earned on the basis of rates approved by the Bureau of the Budget for the care of patients certified by the District of Columbia. Bills rendered by the Surgeon General on the basis of such calculations shall not be subject to audit or certification in advance of payment; but proper adjustment of amounts which have been paid in advance on the basis of such calculations shall be made at the end of each quarter.
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further, That the Surgeon General may delegate the responsibilities imposed upon him by the foregoing proviso.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE

Salaries and expenses: For the partial support of Gallaudet College, including personal services and miscellaneous expenses, and repairs and improvements, as authorized by the Act of June 18, 1954 (Public Law 420), $339,000: Provided, That Gallaudet College shall be paid by the District of Columbia, in advance at the beginning of each quarter, at the rate of $1,295 per school year for each student attending and receiving instruction in elementary or secondary education pursuant to the Act of March 1, 1901 (31 D. C. Code 1008).

Construction: For the construction and equipment of buildings and facilities on the grounds of Gallaudet College, as authorized by the Act of June 18, 1954 (Public Law 420), under the supervision of the General Services Administration, including planning, architectural, and engineering services, $2,225,000, to remain available until expended, as follows: For a physical education and activities building, heating plant, laundry, and shop, together with alterations and installations in connection with such construction. For a girls' dormitory, together with alterations and installations in connection with such construction.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Salaries and expenses: For the partial support of Howard University, including personal services and miscellaneous expenses and repairs to buildings and grounds, $2,875,400.

Construction of buildings: For alterations, revision, extension, and installation of underground telephone conduit for telephone distribution system, under the supervision of General Services Administration, on the grounds of Howard University, including engineering services, $122,000, to remain available until expended.

Construction of law building (liquidation of contract authorization): For payment of obligations incurred under authority previously provided, to enter into contracts for the construction of the law building, $457,100.

Construction of administration building (liquidation of contract authorization): For payment of obligations incurred under authority previously provided, to enter into contracts for the construction of the administration building, $405,500.

Construction of men's dormitory (liquidation of contract authorization): For payment of obligations incurred under authority previously provided, to enter into contracts for the construction of the men's dormitory, $1,146,000.

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Promotion and further development of vocational education: For carrying out the provisions of section 3 of the Vocational Education Act of 1946 (20 U. S. C. 15h), section 4 of the Act of March 10, 1924 (20 U. S. C. 29), section 1 of the Act of March 3, 1931 (20 U. S. C. 30), and the Act of March 18, 1950 (20 U. S. C. 31), $26,500,000: Provided, That the apportionment to the States under the Vocational Education Act of 1946 shall be computed on the basis of not to exceed $26,325,000 for the current fiscal year: Provided further, That not more than $1,500,000 of this appropriation shall be available for vocational education in distributive occupations.

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Office of Education, including surveys, studies, investigations, and reports regarding libraries; fostering coordination of public and school library service; coordination of library service on the national level with other forms of adult education; developing library participation in Federal projects; fostering Nation-wide coordination of research materials among libraries, interstate library coordination and the development of library service throughout the country; purchase, distribution, and exchange of educational documents, motion-picture films, and lantern slides; collection, exchange, and cataloging of educational apparatus and appliances, articles of school furniture and models of school buildings illustrative of foreign and domestic systems and methods of education, and repairing the same: $3,050,000, of which not less than $480,000 shall be available for the Division of Vocational Education as authorized: Provided, That all receipts from non-Federal agencies representing reimbursement for expenses of travel of employees of the Office of Education performing advisory functions to the said agencies shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of this appropriation.

Payments to school districts: For payments to local educational agencies for the maintenance and operation of schools as authorized by the Act of September 30, 1950, as amended (20 U. S. C. 236-244), $65,000,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall also be available for carrying out the provisions of section 6 of such Act.

Assistance for school construction: For an additional amount for providing school facilities and for grants to local educational agencies in federally affected areas, as authorized by title III of the Act of September 23, 1950, as amended by the Act of August 8, 1953, and the Act of August 31, 1954 (20 U. S. C. 291-301), including not to exceed $750,000 for necessary expenses of technical services rendered by other agencies, $24,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be available for salaries or other direct expenses of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.


Grants to States and other agencies: For grants to States and other agencies in accordance with the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, as amended, $33,750,000, of which $30,000,000 is for vocational rehabilitation services under section 2 of said Act: $1,500,000 is for extension and improvement projects under section 3 of said Act: and $2,250,000 is for special projects under section 4 of said Act: Provided, That not more than $2 of the funds made available for special projects under section 4 (a) (2) of said Act shall be expended for any project for each $1 that the grantee, or the grantee and the State, expends for the same purpose: Provided further. That allotments under section 2 of said Act to the States for the current fiscal year shall be made on the basis of $86,000,000, and this amount shall be considered the sum available for allotments under such section for such fiscal year.

Grants to States, next succeeding fiscal year: For making, after May 31, of the current fiscal year, grants to States under sections 2 and 3 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, as amended, for the first
quarter of the next succeeding fiscal year such sums as may be necessary, the obligations incurred and the expenditures made thereunder to be charged to the appropriation therefor for that fiscal year: Provided, That the payments made pursuant to this paragraph shall not exceed the amount paid to the States for the first quarter of the current fiscal year.

Training and traineeships: For training and traineeships pursuant to section 4 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, as amended, and for carrying out the training functions provided for in section 7 of said Act, $2,075,000.

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, as amended, and of the Act approved June 20, 1936 (20 U. S. C., ch. 6A), as amended, including not to exceed $3,000 for production, purchase, and distribution of educational films; $1,000,000.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

For necessary expenses in carrying out the Public Health Service Act, as amended (42 U. S. C., ch. 6A) (hereinafter referred to as the Act), and other Acts, including expenses for active commissioned officers in the Reserve Corps and for not to exceed one thousand five hundred commissioned officers in the Regular Corps, as follows:

Assistance to States, general: To carry out the purposes, not otherwise specifically provided for, of section 314 (c) of the Act; to provide consultative services to States pursuant to section 311 of the Act; to make field investigations and demonstrations pursuant to section 301 of the Act; to provide for collecting and compiling mortality, morbidity, and vital statistics; and not to exceed $1,000 for entertainment of officials of other countries when specifically authorized by the Surgeon General; $13,660,000.

Venereal diseases: To carry out the purposes of sections 314 (a) and 363 of the Act with respect to venereal diseases including the operation and maintenance of centers for the diagnosis and treatment of persons afflicted with venereal diseases; and for grants of money, services, supplies, equipment, and use of facilities to States, as defined in the Act, and with the approval of the respective State Health authorities, to counties, health districts, and other political subdivisions of the States, for the foregoing purposes, in such amounts and upon such terms and conditions as the Surgeon General may determine; $3,500,000.

Tuberculosis: To carry out the purposes of section 314 (b) of the Act, $6,000,000, of which not less than $4,500,000 shall be available only for grants to States, to be matched by an equal amount of State and local funds expended for the same purpose, for direct expenses of prevention and case-finding projects including salaries, fees, and travel of personnel directly engaged in prevention and case-finding and the necessary equipment and supplies used directly in prevention and case-finding operations, but excluding the purchase of care in hospitals and sanatoria.

Communicable diseases: To carry out, except as otherwise provided for, those provisions of sections 301, 311, and 361 of the Act relating to the prevention and suppression of communicable and preventable diseases, and the interstate transmission and spread thereof, including the purchase, erection, and maintenance of portable buildings; and hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; $5,250,000.

Sanitary engineering activities: For expenses, not otherwise provided, necessary to carry out those provisions of sections 301, 311, 314 (c), and 361 of the Act relating to sanitation and other aspects
of environmental health, including enforcement of applicable quarantine laws and interstate quarantine regulations, and for carrying out the purposes of the Water Pollution Control Act (33 U. S. C. 466–468 (j)); $3,500,000.

Buildings and facilities, Cincinnati, Ohio: For purchase and installation of additional equipment and supplies for the building and facilities at the Robert A. Taft Sanitary Engineering Center, Cincinnati, Ohio, $415,000, to remain available until expended.

Disease and sanitation investigations and control, Territory of Alaska: To enable the Surgeon General to conduct, in the Service, and to cooperate with and assist the Territory of Alaska in the conduct of, activities necessary in the investigation, prevention, treatment, and control of diseases, and the establishment and maintenance of health and sanitation services pursuant to and for the purposes specified in sections 301, 311, 314 (without regard to the provisions of subsections (d), (f), (h), and (j) and the limitations set forth in subsection (c) of such section), 361 and 363 of the Act, including the hire, operation, and maintenance of aircraft, and the purchase, erection, and maintenance of portable buildings, $1,125,000.

Surveys and planning for hospital construction: The funds appropriated under this head in The Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, shall not remain available for expenditure after June 30, 1957.

Salaries and expenses, hospital construction services: For salaries and expenses incident to carrying out title VI of the Act, as amended, $1,250,000.

Hospitals and medical care: For carrying out the functions of the Public Health Service under the Act of August 8, 1945 (5 U. S. C. 150), and under sections 321, 322, 324, 326, 331, 332, 341, 343, 344, 502, 504, and 710 of the Public Health Service Act, Private Law 419 of the Eighty-third Congress, as amended, and Executive Order 9079 of February 26, 1942, including purchase and exchange of farm products and livestock; conducting research on technical nursing standards and furnishing consultative nursing services; purchase of one ambulance, for replacement only; and purchase of firearms and ammunition; $34,326,000, of which $1,000,000 shall be exclusively available for payments to the Territory of Hawaii for care and treatment of persons afflicted with leprosy: Provided, That when the Public Health Service establishes or operates a health service program for any department or agency, payment for the estimated cost shall be made in advance for deposit to the credit of this appropriation.

Foreign quarantine service: For carrying out the purposes of sections 361 to 369 of the Act, relating to preventing the introduction of communicable diseases from foreign countries, the medical examination of aliens in accordance with section 325 of the Act, and the care and treatment of quarantine detainees pursuant to section 322 (e) of the Act in private or other public hospitals when facilities of the
Release of certain research equipment.

Public Health Service are not available, including insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries when required by law of such countries; purchase of not to exceed thirteen passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; $3,000,000.

Indian health activities: For expenses necessary to enable the Surgeon General to carry out the purposes of the Act of August 5, 1954 (Public Law 568), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a) (including not to exceed $10,000 for such services at rates not to exceed $100 per diem for individuals, when authorized by the Surgeon General); purchase of not to exceed seventy-two passenger motor vehicles, of which forty-seven shall be for replacement only; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of reprints; payment for telephone service in private residences in the field, when authorized under regulations approved by the Secretary; and the purposes set forth in sections 321 and 509 of the Public Health Service Act; $33,840,000: Provided, That the Surgeon General is authorized to transfer from this appropriation to other appropriations of the Public Health Service such amounts as he may determine are required in such appropriations for Indian health activities.

Construction of Indian health facilities: For construction, major repair, improvement, and equipment of health and related auxiliary facilities, including quarters for personnel; preparation of plans, specifications, and drawings; acquisition of sites; purchase and erection of portable buildings; and purchase of trailers; $5,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such expenditures may be made through the Department of the Interior.

National Institutes of Health, operating expenses: For the activities of the National Institutes of Health, not otherwise provided for, including research fellowships and grants for research projects pursuant to section 301 of the Act; not to exceed $1,000 for entertainment of visiting scientists when specifically approved by the Surgeon General; erection of temporary structures; and grants of therapeutic and chemical substances for demonstrations and research; $5,899,000: Provided, That the Surgeon General is authorized to advance to this appropriation from other appropriations to the Public Health Service such amounts as are determined to be necessary for the foregoing purposes and for activities performed on a centralized basis: Provided further, That the Surgeon General is authorized to operate facilities at the National Institutes of Health for the sale of meals to employees and others at rates determined by him to be sufficient to recover the cost of such operation and the proceeds thereof shall be credited to this appropriation: Provided further, That the Surgeon General is authorized, upon recommendation of the National Advisory Health Council, to donate or release to a university, hospital, or other nonprofit organization any right, title, claim, or interest of the United States with respect to research and related equipment and other tangible property under the jurisdiction of the Service and acquired by such institutions prior to December 1946 pursuant to its contract with the United States through the Office of Scientific Research and Development.

National Cancer Institute: To enable the Surgeon General, upon the recommendations of the National Advisory Cancer Council, to make grants-in-aid for research and training projects relating to cancer; to cooperate with State health agencies, and other public and private nonprofit institutions, in the prevention, control, and eradication of cancer by providing consultative services, demonstrations, and grants-in-aid; and to contract for supplies and services by negotiation, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, in connection
with the chemotherapy program; and to otherwise carry out the provisions of title IV, part A, of the Act; $24,828,000.

Mental health activities: For expenses necessary for carrying out the provisions of sections 301, 302, 303, 311, 312, and 314 (c) of the Act with respect to mental diseases, and including erection of temporary structures, $17,751,000.

National Heart Institute: For expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of the National Heart Act, $18,778,000.

Dental health activities: For expenses not otherwise provided for, necessary to enable the Surgeon General to carry out the purposes of the Act with respect to dental diseases and conditions, $2,136,000.

Arthritis and metabolic disease activities: For expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act relating to arthritis, rheumatism, and metabolic diseases, $10,740,000.

Microbiology activities: For expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act relating to microbiology, including the regulation and preparation of biologic products, $7,580,000.

Neurology and blindness activities: For expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act relating to neurology and blindness, $9,861,000.

Gorgas Memorial Laboratory: For payment to the Gorgas Memorial Institute for maintenance and operation of the Gorgas Memorial Laboratory, $147,000.

Retired pay of commissioned officers: For retired pay of commissioned officers, as authorized by law, and payments under the Uniformed Services Contingency Option Act of 1953, $1,225,000.

Salaries and expenses: For the divisions and offices of the Office of the Surgeon General and for miscellaneous expenses of the Public Health Service not appropriated for elsewhere, including preparing information, articles, and publications related to public health; and conducting studies and demonstrations in public health methods; $2,762,000: Provided, That there may be transferred from any appropriation to the Public Health Service in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriation Act, 1955, to any other such appropriation such amounts as the Surgeon General may determine for the cost of activities relating to poliomyelitis during the fiscal year 1955: Provided further, That subsection (g) of section 208 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U. S. C. 210 (g)) is amended by striking out the word "thirty" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixty".

SAINT ELIZABETHS HOSPITAL

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the maintenance and operation of the hospital, including purchase of clothing for patients and cooperation with organizations or individuals in the scientific research into the nature, causes, prevention and treatment of mental illness, $2,527,000.

Major repairs and preservation of buildings and grounds: For miscellaneous construction, alterations, repairs, and equipment, on the grounds of the hospital, including preparation of plans and specifications, advertising, and supervision of construction, $600,000, to remain available until June 30, 1957: Provided, That any part of this amount may be transferred to the General Services Administration.

Construction, maximum security building: For expenses necessary for the preparation of plans and specifications for a maximum security building at Saint Elizabeths Hospital, $269,000.
Salaries and expenses, Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance: For necessary expenses, including furnishing, repairing, and cleaning of wearing apparel and equipment used by building guards; not more than $86,000,000 may be expended from the Federal old-age and survivors insurance trust fund: Provided, That such amounts as are required shall be available to pay the cost of necessary travel incident to medical examinations for verifying disabilities of individuals who file applications for disability determinations under title II of the Social Security Act, as amended.

Advances to States, next succeeding fiscal year: For making, after May 31 of the current fiscal year, advances to States under section 221 (e) of the Social Security Act, as amended, for the first quarter of the next succeeding fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary from the above authorization may be expended from the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund.

Construction, Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance: For construction of an office building and appurtenant facilities for the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance, including equipment, acquisition of land (including donations thereof), and preparation of plans and specifications, $3,870,000, to be derived from the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund which, together with sums heretofore appropriated for these purposes, shall establish a limit of cost of $25,370,000, such sums to be consolidated and accounted for as one fund and to remain available until expended: Provided, That any funds derived from the default of the bond for construction of access roads in connection with the acquisition of such land shall be available for expenditure to construct such access roads.

Grants to States for public assistance: For grants to States for old-age assistance, aid to dependent children, aid to the blind, and aid to the permanently and totally disabled, as authorized in titles I, IV, X, and XIV of the Social Security Act, as amended (42 U. S. C., ch. 7, subch. I, IV, X, and XIV), $1,400,000,000, of which such amount as may be necessary shall be available for grants for any period in the prior fiscal year subsequent to March 31 of that year.

Salaries and expenses, Bureau of Public Assistance: For expenses necessary for the Bureau of Public Assistance, $1,541,250.

Salaries and expenses, Children's Bureau: For necessary expenses in carrying out the Act of April 9, 1912, as amended (42 U. S. C., ch. 6), and title V of the Social Security Act, as amended (42 U. S. C., ch. 7, subch. V), including purchase of reports and material for the publications of the Children's Bureau and of reprints for distribution, $1,640,000: Provided, That no part of any appropriation contained in this title shall be used to promulgate or carry out any instructions, order, or regulation relating to the care of obstetrical cases which discriminate between persons licensed under State law to practice obstetrics: Provided further, That the foregoing proviso shall not be so construed as to prevent any patient from having the services of any practitioner of her own choice, paid for out of this fund, so long as State laws are complied with: Provided further, That any State plan which provides standards for professional obstetrical services in accordance with the laws of the State shall be approved.

Grants to States for maternal and child welfare: For grants to States for maternal and child-health services, services for crippled children, and child-welfare services as authorized in title V, parts 1, 2, and 3, of the Social Security Act, as amended (42 U. S. C., ch. 7, subch. V), $94,158,600, of which $15,000,000 shall be available
only for grants to States for services for crippled children: Provided, That any allotment to a State pursuant to section 502 (b) or 512 (b) of such Act shall not be included in computing for the purposes of subsections (a) and (b) of sections 504 and 514 of such Act an amount expended or estimated to be expended by the State.

Salaries and expenses, Office of the Commissioner: For expenses necessary for the Office of the Commissioner of Social Security, $173,000, together with not to exceed $130,000 to be transferred from the Federal old-age and survivors insurance trust fund.

Grants to States, next succeeding fiscal year: For making, after May 31 of the current fiscal year, payments to States under titles I, IV, V, X, and XIV, respectively, of the Social Security Act, as amended, for the first quarter of the next succeeding fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary, the obligations incurred and the expenditures made thereunder for payments under each of such titles to be charged to the appropriation therefor for that fiscal year.

In the administration of titles I, IV, V, X, and XIV, respectively, of the Social Security Act, as amended, payments to a State under any of such titles for any quarter in the period beginning April 1 of the prior year, and ending June 30 of the current year, may be made with respect to a State plan approved under such title prior to or during such period, but no such payment shall be made with respect to any plan for any quarter prior to the quarter in which such plan was submitted for approval.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Salaries and expenses, Office of the Secretary: For expenses necessary for the Office of the Secretary, $1,400,000, together with not to exceed $200,000 to be transferred from the Federal old-age and survivors insurance trust fund.

Salaries and expenses, Office of Field Administration: For expenses necessary for the Office of Field Administration, $1,800,000, together with not to exceed $400,000 to be transferred from the Federal old-age and survivors insurance trust fund.

Salaries and expenses, Office of the General Counsel: For expenses necessary for the Office of the General Counsel, $372,500, together with not to exceed $22,500 to be transferred from the appropriation "Salaries and expenses, certification and inspection services", and not to exceed $370,000 to be transferred from the Federal old-age and survivors insurance trust fund.

Surplus property utilization: For expenses necessary for carrying out the provisions of subsections 203 (j) and (k) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, relating to disposal of real and personal excess property for educational purposes and protection of public health, $400,000.

REDUCTION IN CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION

Howard University: The contract authorization heretofore granted under the head "Construction, Howard University", for the women's dormitory units is reduced in the amount of $179,200.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 202. Appropriations under this title available for salaries and expenses shall be available for payment in advance for dues or fees for library membership in organizations whose publications are available to members only or to members at a price lower than to the general public.
SEC. 203. Appropriations under this title available for salaries and expenses shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a).

SEC. 204. Appropriations under this title available for salaries and expenses shall be available for travel expenses and for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the functions or activities for which such appropriations are made.

SEC. 205. None of the funds appropriated by this title to the Social Security Administration for grants in aid of State agencies to cover, in whole or in part, the cost of operation of said agencies including the salaries and expenses of officers and employees of said agencies, shall be withheld from the said agencies of any States which have established by legislative enactment and have in operation a merit system and classification and compensation plan covering the selection, tenure in office, and compensation of their employees, because of any disapproval of their personnel or the manner of their selection by the agencies of the said States, or the rates of pay of said officers or employees.

SEC. 206. The Secretary is authorized to make such transfers of motor vehicles, between bureaus and offices, without transfer of funds, as may be required in carrying out the operations of the Department.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriation Act, 1956".

TITLE III—NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the National Labor Relations Board to carry out the functions vested in it by the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947 (29 U. S. C. 141-167), and other laws, including expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Board when specifically authorized by the Chairman or the General Counsel; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); $8,000,000: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be available to organize or assist in organizing agricultural laborers or used in connection with investigations, hearings, directives, or orders concerning bargaining units composed of agricultural laborers as referred to in section 2 (b) of the Act of July 5, 1935 (49 Stat. 450), and as amended by the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, and as defined in section 3 (f) of the Act of June 23, 1938 (52 Stat. 1060), and including in said definition employees engaged in the maintenance and operation of ditches, canals, reservoirs, and waterways when maintained or operated on a mutual, nonprofit basis and at least 95 per centum of the water stored or supplied thereby is used for farming purposes.

TITLE IV—NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the National Mediation Board, including stenographic reporting services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $435,000.

Arbitration and emergency boards: For expenses necessary for arbitration boards established under section 7 of the Railway Labor Act, as amended (45 U. S. C. 157), and emergency boards appointed by the President pursuant to section 10 of said Act (45 U. S. C. 160), including stenographic reporting services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $250,000.
Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the National Railroad Adjustment Board, including stenographic reporting services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $502,000, of which not less than $175,000 shall be available for compensation (at rates not in excess of $75 per diem) and expenses of referees appointed pursuant to section 3 of the Railway Labor Act, as amended.

TITLE V—RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Salaries and expenses, Railroad Retirement Board (trust fund): For expenses necessary for the Railroad Retirement Board, including not to exceed $1,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Board, when specifically authorized by the Board; stenographic reporting services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); and uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1114); $6,100,000 to be derived from the railroad retirement account:

Provided, That whenever there is duly tendered to the Board, by any person, any claim for unemployment compensation pursuant to the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, such claim shall be accepted by the Board without delay and appropriate administrative action for the allowance or disallowance of such claim shall be taken by the Board at the earliest practicable time.

TITLE VI—FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Service to carry out the functions vested in it by the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947 (29 U. S. C. 171–180, 182), including expenses of the Labor-Management Panel as provided in section 205 of said Act; temporary employment of arbitrators, conciliators, and mediators on labor relations at rates not in excess of $75 per diem; expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with labor and industrial relations; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); $3,124,000.

Boards of inquiry: To enable the Service to pay necessary expenses of boards of inquiry appointed by the President pursuant to section 206 of the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947 (29 U. S. C. 176–180, 182), including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), and rent in the District of Columbia, $10,000.

TITLE VII—INTERSTATE COMMISSION ON THE POTOMAC RIVER BASIN

Contribution to Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin: To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to pay in advance to the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin the Federal contribution toward the expenses of the Commission during the current fiscal year in the administration of its business in the conservancy district established pursuant to the Act of July 11, 1940 (54 Stat. 748), $5,000.
TITLE VIII—UNITED STATES SOLDIERS’ HOME

For maintenance and operation of the United States Soldiers’ Home, to be paid from the Soldiers’ Home permanent fund, $4,400,000, of which $265,200 shall remain available until expended for plans and construction of buildings and facilities: Provided, That this appropriation shall not be available for the payment of hospitalization of members of the Home in United States Army hospitals at rates in excess of those prescribed by the Secretary of the Army, upon the recommendation of the Board of Commissioners of the Home and the Surgeon General of the Army.

TITLE IX—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 901. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States, or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

SEC. 902. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes not authorized by the Congress.

SEC. 903. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay compensation of any employee engaged in personnel work in excess of the number that would be provided by a ratio of one such employee to one hundred and five, or a part thereof, full-time, part-time, and intermittent employees of the agency concerned: Provided, That for purposes of this section employees shall be considered as engaged in personnel work if they spend half time or more in personnel administration consisting of direction and administration of the personnel program; employment, placement, and separation; job evaluation and classification; employee relations and services; training; committees of expert examiners and boards of civil-service examiners; wage administration; and processing, recording, and reporting.

This Act may be cited as the “Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies Appropriation Act, 1956.”

Approved August 1, 1955.
AN ACT
Relating to revisions of the executive agreement concerning trade and related matters entered into by the President of the United States and the President of the Philippines on July 4, 1946.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I—SHORT TITLE AND DEFINITION

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the "Philippine Trade Agreement Revision Act of 1955".

SEC. 2. REVISED AGREEMENT DEFINED.
For purposes of this Act, the term "revised agreement" means the executive agreement concerning trade and related matters entered into by the President of the United States and the President of the Philippines on July 4, 1946, as such executive agreement is revised pursuant to the authority contained in section 201 of this Act.

TITLE II—REVISION OF TRADE AGREEMENT WITH THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

SEC. 201. AUTHORITY TO REVISE THE 1946 AGREEMENT.
In order to make revisions proposed by the delegations of the Governments of the United States of America and of the Republic of the Philippines in the "Final Act of Negotiations Relative to Revision of the 1946 Trade Agreement Between the United States of America and the Republic of the Philippines" signed at Washington, December 15, 1954, as corrected, the President of the United States is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the President of the Philippines revising the executive agreement concerning trade and related matters entered into by the President of the United States and the President of the Philippines on July 4, 1946, so that such executive agreement, as so revised, will read as follows:

"AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CONCERNING TRADE AND RELATED MATTERS DURING A TRANSITIONAL PERIOD FOLLOWING THE INSTITUTION OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE, SIGNED AT MANILA ON JULY 4, 1946, AS REVISED

"The President of the United States of America and the President of the Republic of the Philippines, mindful of the close economic ties between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines during many years of intimate political relations, and desiring to enter into an agreement in keeping with their long friendship, which will be mutually beneficial to the two peoples and will strengthen the economy of the Philippines so as to enable that Republic to contribute more effectively to the peace and prosperity of the free world, have agreed to the following Articles:
"1. The ordinary customs duty to be collected on United States articles as defined in Subparagraph (e) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol, which during the following portions of the period from January 1, 1956, to July 3, 1974, both dates inclusive, are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, in the Philippines for consumption, shall be determined by applying the following percentages of the Philippine duty as defined in Subparagraph (h) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol:

(a) During the period from January 1, 1956, to December 31, 1958, both dates inclusive, twenty-five per centum.
(b) During the period from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1961, both dates inclusive, fifty per centum.
(c) During the period from January 1, 1962, to December 31, 1964, both dates inclusive, seventy-five per centum.
(d) During the period from January 1, 1965, to December 31, 1973, both dates inclusive, ninety per centum.
(e) During the period from January 1, 1974, to July 3, 1974, both dates inclusive, one hundred per centum.

2. The ordinary customs duty to be collected on Philippine articles as defined in Subparagraph (f) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol, other than those specified in the Schedule to Paragraph 2 of Article II, which during such portions of such period are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, in the United States for consumption, shall be determined by applying the following percentages of the United States duty as defined in Subparagraph (g) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol:

(a) During the period from January 1, 1956, to December 31, 1958, both dates inclusive, five per centum.
(b) During the period from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1961, both dates inclusive, ten per centum.
(c) During the period from January 1, 1962, to December 31, 1964, both dates inclusive, twenty per centum.
(d) During the period from January 1, 1965, to December 31, 1967, both dates inclusive, forty per centum.
(e) During the period from January 1, 1968, to December 31, 1970, both dates inclusive, sixty per centum.
(f) During the period from January 1, 1971, to December 31, 1973, both dates inclusive, eighty per centum.
(g) During the period from January 1, 1974, to July 3, 1974, both dates inclusive, one hundred per centum.

3. Customs duties on United States articles, and on Philippine articles, other than ordinary customs duties, shall be determined without regard to the provisions of Paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article, but shall be subject to the provisions of Paragraph 4 of this Article.

4. With respect to United States articles imported into the Philippines, and with respect to Philippine articles imported into the United States, no duty on or in connection with importation shall be collected or paid in an amount in excess of the duty imposed with respect to like articles which are the product of any other foreign country, or collected or paid in any amount if the duty is not imposed with respect to such like articles. As used in this Paragraph, the term 'duty' includes taxes, fees, charges, or exactions, imposed on or in connection with importation, but does not include internal taxes or ordinary customs duties.

5. With respect to products of the United States which do not come within the definition of United States articles, imported into the Philippines, no duty on or in connection with importation shall be collected or paid in an amount in excess of the duty imposed with respect to like articles which are the product of any other foreign
country, or collected or paid in any amount if the duty is not imposed with respect to such like articles which are the product of any other foreign country. As used in this Paragraph the term 'duty' includes taxes, fees, charges, or exactions, imposed on or in connection with importation, but does not include internal taxes.

36. With respect to products of the Philippines, which do not come within the definition of Philippine articles, imported into the United States, no duty on or in connection with importation shall be collected or paid in an amount in excess of the duty imposed with respect to like articles which are the product of any other foreign country (except Cuba), or collected or paid in any amount if the duty is not imposed with respect to such like articles which are the product of any other foreign country (except Cuba). As used in this Paragraph the term 'duty' includes taxes, fees, charges, or exactions, imposed on or in connection with importation, but does not include internal taxes.

37. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 1 of this Article, the Philippines shall impose a temporary special import tax, in lieu of the present tax on the sale of foreign exchange, on any article or product imported or brought into the Philippines, irrespective of source; provided that such special levy is applied in a non-discriminatory manner pursuant to Paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Article, that the initial tax is at a rate no higher than the present rate of the foreign exchange tax, and that the tax shall be progressively reduced at a rate no less rapid than that specified in the following Schedule. If, as a result of applying this Schedule, the total revenue from Philippine customs duties and from the special import tax on goods coming from the United States is less in any calendar year than the proceeds from the exchange tax on such goods during the calendar year 1955, no reduction need be made in the special import tax for the next succeeding calendar year, and, if necessary to restore revenues collected on the importation of United States goods to the level of the exchange tax on such goods in calendar year 1955, the Philippines may increase the rate for such succeeding calendar year to any previous level provided for in this Schedule which is considered to be necessary to restore such revenues to the amount collected from the exchange tax on United States goods in calendar year 1955. Rates for the special import levy in subsequent years shall be fixed in accordance with the schedules specified in this Article, except as the Philippine Government may determine that higher rates are necessary to maintain the above-mentioned level of revenues from the importation of United States goods. In this event, such rate shall be determined by the Philippine Government, after consultation with the United States Government, at a level of the Schedule calculated to cover any anticipated deficiency arising from the operation of this provision.

"SCHEDULE FOR REDUCING SPECIAL IMPORT TAX"

"(a) After December 31, 1956, ninety per centum.
(b) After December 31, 1957, eighty per centum.
(c) After December 31, 1958, seventy per centum.
(d) After December 31, 1959, sixty per centum.
(e) After December 31, 1960, fifty per centum.
(f) After December 31, 1961, forty per centum.
(g) After December 31, 1962, thirty per centum.
(h) After December 31, 1963, twenty per centum.
(i) After December 31, 1964, ten per centum.
(j) On and after January 1, 1966, nil."
"ARTICLE II"

"1. During the period from January 1, 1956, to December 31, 1973, both dates inclusive, the total amount of the articles falling within one of the classes specified in Items A and A-1 of the Schedule to this Paragraph, which are Philippine articles as defined in Subparagraph (f) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol, and which, in any calendar year, may be entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, in the United States for consumption, shall not exceed the amounts specified in such Schedule as to each class of articles. During the period from January 1, 1956, to December 31, 1973, both dates inclusive, the total amount of the articles falling within the class specified in Item B of the Schedule to this Paragraph which are the product of the Philippines, and which, in any calendar year, may be entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, in the United States for consumption, shall not exceed the amount specified in such Schedule as to such class of articles. During the period from January 1, 1974, to July 3, 1974, both dates inclusive, the total amounts referred to in the preceding sentences of this Paragraph shall not exceed one-half of the amount specified in such Schedule with respect to each class of articles, respectively. The establishment herein of the limitations on the amounts of Philippine raw and refined sugar that may be entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, in the United States for consumption, shall be without prejudice to any increases which the Congress of the United States might allocate to the Philippines in the future. The following Schedule to Paragraph 1 shall constitute an integral part thereof:

"SCHEDULE OF ABSOLUTE QUOTAS"

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<td>may be refined sugars, meaning 'direct-consumption sugar' as defined in Section 101 of the Sugar Act of 1948, as amended, of the United States which is set forth in part as Annex I to this Agreement.</td>
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<td>Cordage, including yarns, twines (including binding twine described in Paragraph 1622 of the Tariff Act of 1930 of the United States, as amended, which is set forth as Annex II to this Agreement), cords, cordage, rope, and cable, tarred or untarred, wholly or in chief value of manila (abaca) or other hard fiber.</td>
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"2. Philippine articles as defined in Subparagraph (f) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol falling within one of the classes specified in the items included in the Schedule to this Paragraph, which, during the following portions of the period from January 1, 1956, to December 31, 1973, both dates inclusive, are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, in the United States for consumption, shall be free of ordinary customs duty, in quantities determined by applying the following percentages to the amounts specified in such Schedule as to each such class of articles:

(a) During each of the calendar years 1956 to 1958, inclusive, ninety-five per centum.
(b) During each of the calendar years 1959 to 1961, inclusive, ninety per centum.
(c) During each of the calendar years 1962 to 1964, inclusive, eighty per centum.
(d) During each of the calendar years 1965 to 1967, inclusive, sixty per centum.
(e) During each of the calendar years 1968 to 1970, inclusive, forty per centum.
“(f) During each of the calendar years 1971 to 1973, inclusive, twenty per centum.

“(g) On and after January 1, 1974, nil.

The following Schedule to Paragraph 2 shall constitute an integral part thereof:

**SCHEDULE OF TARIFF QUOTAS**

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<td>Scrap tobacco, and stemmed and unstemmed filter tobacco described in Paragraph 602 of the Tariff Act of 1930 of the United States, as amended, which is set forth as Annex III to this Agreement.</td>
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<td>Coconut oil</td>
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<td>Buttons of pearl or shell</td>
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The quantities shown in the Schedule to this Paragraph represent base quantities for the purposes of computing the tariff-free quota and are not absolute quotas. Any such Philippine article so entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, in excess of the duty-free quota provided in this Paragraph shall be subject to one hundred per centum of the United States duty as defined in Subparagraph (g) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol.

**ARTICLE III**

1. Except as otherwise provided in Article II or in Paragraph 2 of this Article, neither country shall impose restrictions or prohibitions on the importation of any article of the other country, or on the exportation of any article to the territories of the other country, unless the importation of the like article of, or the exportation of the like article to, all third countries is similarly restricted or prohibited. If either country imposes quantitative restrictions on the importation or exportation of any article in which the other country has an important interest and if it makes allotments to any third country, it shall afford such other country a share proportionate to the amount of the article, by quantity or value, supplied by or to it during a previous representative period, due consideration being given to any special factors affecting the trade in such article.

2. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 1 of this Article, with respect to quotas on United States articles as defined in Subparagraph (e) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol or with respect to quotas on Philippine articles as defined in Subparagraph (f) of Paragraph 1 of the Protocol (other than the articles for which quotas are provided in Paragraph 1 of Article II) a quota may be established only if—

“(1) The President of the country desiring to impose the quota, after investigation, finds and proclaims that, as the result of preferential treatment accorded pursuant to this Agreement, any article of the other country is being imported in such increased quantities and under such conditions as to cause or threaten serious injury to domestic producers of like or directly competitive articles; or

“(2) The President of the country desiring to impose the quota finds that such action is necessary to forestall the imminent threat of, or to stop, a serious decline in its monetary reserves, or, in the event its monetary reserves are very low, to achieve a reasonable rate of increase in its reserves.

“(b) Any quota imposed for any twelve-month period under (a) (1) above for the purpose of protecting domestic industry shall not be less than the amount determined by the President of the importing country as the total amount of the articles of such class which, during
the twelve months preceding entry into effect of the quota, was entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, after deduction of the amount by which he finds domestic production can be increased during the twelve-month period of the quota; or if the quota is established for any period other than a twelve-month period, it shall not be less than a proportionate amount.

"(c) Each Party agrees not to apply restrictions so as to prevent unreasonably the importation of any description of goods in minimum commercial quantities, the exclusion of which would seriously impair regular channels of trade, or restrictions which would prevent the importation of commercial samples, or prevent compliance with patent, trademark, copyright, or similar procedures.

"(d) Any quota established pursuant to this Paragraph shall not continue in effect longer than necessary to achieve the purposes for its imposition, at which time the President of the country imposing the quota, following investigation, shall find and proclaim that the conditions which gave rise to the establishment of such quota no longer exist.

"3. Either country taking action pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall give notice to the other country as far in advance as may be practicable, and shall afford it an opportunity to consult in respect of the proposed action. It is understood that this right of consultation does not imply that the consent of the other country to the establishment of the quota is needed in order for the quota to be put into effect.

"ARTICLE IV

"1. With respect to articles which are products of the United States coming into the Philippines, or with respect to articles manufactured in the Philippines wholly or in part from such articles, no internal tax shall be-

"(a) Collected or paid in an amount in excess of the internal tax imposed with respect to like articles which are the product of the Philippines, or collected or paid in any amount if the internal tax is not imposed with respect to such like articles;

"(b) Collected or paid in an amount in excess of the internal tax imposed with respect to like articles which are the product of any other foreign country, or collected or paid in any amount if the internal tax is not imposed with respect to such like articles.

Where an internal tax is imposed with respect to an article which is the product of a foreign country to compensate for an internal tax imposed (1) with respect to a like article which is the product of the Philippines, or (2) with respect to materials used in the production of a like article which is the product of the Philippines, if the amount of the internal tax which is collected and paid with respect to the article which is the product of the United States is not in excess of that permitted by Paragraph 1 (b) of Article IV such collection and payment shall not be regarded as in violation of the first sentence of this Paragraph.

"2. With respect to articles which are products of the Philippines coming into the United States, or with respect to articles manufactured in the United States wholly or in part from such articles, no internal tax shall be-

"(a) Collected or paid in an amount in excess of the internal tax imposed with respect to like articles which are the product of the United States, or collected or paid in any amount if the internal tax is not imposed with respect to such like articles;

"(b) Collected or paid in an amount in excess of the internal tax imposed with respect to like articles which are the product of
any other foreign country, or collected or paid in any amount if
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the product of a foreign country to compensate for an internal tax
imposed (1) with respect to a like article which is the product of the
United States, or (2) with respect to materials used in the production
of a like article which is the product of the United States, if the amount
of the internal tax which is collected and paid with respect to the
article which is the product of the Philippines is not in excess of that
permitted by Paragraph 2 (b) of Article IV such collection and pay-
ment shall not be regarded as in violation of the first sentence of this
Paragraph. This Paragraph shall not apply to the taxes imposed
under Sections 4591, 4812, or 4831 of the Internal Revenue Code of the
United States which are set forth in part as Annexes IV, V, and VI of
this Agreement.

"3. No processing tax or other internal tax shall be imposed or col-
lected in the United States or in the Philippines with respect to articles
coming into such country for the official use of the Government of the
Philippines or of the United States, respectively, or any department
or agency thereof.

"4. No processing tax or other internal tax shall be imposed or col-
lected in the United States with respect to manila (abaca) fiber not
dressed or manufactured in any manner.

"5. The United States will not reduce the preference of two cents
per pound provided in Section 4513 of the Internal Revenue Code of
the United States (relating to processing taxes on coconut oil, etc.),
which is set forth as Annex VII to this Agreement, with respect to
articles ‘wholly the production of the Philippine Islands’ or articles
‘produced wholly from materials the growth or production of the
Philippine Islands’; except that it may suspend the provisions of Sec-
tion 4511 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States dur-
ing any period as to which the President of the United States, after
consultation with the President of the Philippines, finds that ade-
quate supplies of neither copra nor coconut oil, the product of the
Philippines, are readily available for processing in the United States.

"ARTICLE V

"The Republic of the Philippines will take the necessary legislative
and executive actions, prior to or at the time of the entry into force of
the revisions of this Agreement authorized by the Congress of the
United States and the Congress of the Philippines in 1955, to enact
and implement legislation similar to that already enacted by the Con-
gress of the United States as Public Law 419, 83rd Congress, Chapter
323, 2d Session, to facilitate the entry of Philippine traders.

"ARTICLE VI

"1. The disposition, exploitation, development, and utilization of all
agricultural, timber, and mineral lands of the public domain, waters,
minerals, coal, petroleum and other mineral oils, all forces and sources
of potential energy, and other natural resources of either Party, and
the operation of public utilities, shall, if open to any person, be open to
citizens of the other Party and to all forms of business enterprise
owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by citizens of such other
Party in the same manner as to and under the same conditions imposed
upon citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by
citizens of the Party granting the right.
"2. The rights provided for in Paragraph 1 may be exercised, in the case of citizens of the Philippines with respect to natural resources in the United States which are subject to Federal control or regulations, only through the medium of a corporation organized under the laws of the United States or one of the States thereof and likewise, in the case of citizens of the United States with respect to natural resources in the public domain in the Philippines, only through the medium of a corporation organized under the laws of the Philippines and at least 60% of the capital stock of which is owned or controlled by citizens of the United States. This provision, however, does not affect the right of citizens of the United States to acquire or own private agricultural lands in the Philippines or citizens of the Philippines to acquire or own land in the United States which is subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and not within the jurisdiction of any State and which is not within the public domain. The Philippines reserves the right to dispose of its public lands in small quantities on especially favorable terms exclusively to actual settlers or other users who are its own citizens. The United States reserves the right to dispose of its public lands in small quantities on especially favorable terms exclusively to actual settlers or other users who are its own citizens or aliens who have declared their intention to become citizens. Each Party reserves the right to limit the extent to which aliens may engage in fishing or engage in enterprises which furnish communications services and air or water transport. The United States also reserves the right to limit the extent to which aliens may own land in its outlying territories and possessions, but the Philippines will extend to American nationals who are residents of any of those outlying territories and possessions only the same rights, with respect to ownership of lands, which are granted therein to citizens of the Philippines. The rights provided for in this Paragraph shall not, however, be exercised by either Party so as to derogate from the rights previously acquired by citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of the other Party.

"3. The United States of America reserves the rights of the several States of the United States to limit the extent to which citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of the Philippines may engage in the activities specified in this Article. The Republic of the Philippines reserves the power to deny any of the rights specified in this Article to citizens of the United States who are citizens of States, or to corporations or associations at least 60% of whose capital stock or capital is owned or controlled by citizens of States, which deny like rights to citizens of the Philippines, or to corporations or associations which are owned or controlled by citizens of the Philippines. The exercise of this reservation on the part of the Philippines shall not affect previously acquired rights, provided that in the event that any State of the United States of America should in the future impose restrictions which would deny to citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of the Philippines the right to continue to engage in activities in which they were engaged therein at the time of the imposition of such restrictions, the Republic of the Philippines shall be free to apply like limitations to the citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of such States.

"ARTICLE VII

"1. The Republic of the Philippines and the United States of America each agrees not to discriminate in any manner, with respect to their engaging in business activities, against the citizens or any form of business enterprise owned or controlled by citizens of the
other and that new limitations imposed by either Party upon the extent to which aliens are accorded national treatment with respect to carrying on business activities within its territories, shall not be applied as against enterprises owned or controlled by citizens of the other Party which are engaged in such activities therein at the time such new limitations are adopted, nor shall such new limitations be applied to American citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by American citizens whose States do not impose like limitations on citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of the Republic of the Philippines.

"2. The United States of America reserves the rights of the several States of the United States to limit the extent to which citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of the Philippines may engage in any business activities. The Republic of the Philippines reserves the power to deny any rights to engage in business activities to citizens of the United States who are citizens of States, or to corporations or associations at least 60% of the capital stock or capital of which is owned or controlled by citizens of States, which deny like rights to citizens of the Philippines or to corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of the Philippines. The exercise of this reservation on the part of the Philippines shall not affect previously acquired rights, provided that in the event that any State of the United States of America should in the future impose restrictions which would deny to citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of the Philippines the right to continue to engage in business activities in which they were engaged therein at the time of the imposition of such restrictions, the Republic of the Philippines shall be free to apply like limitations to the citizens or corporations or associations owned or controlled by citizens of such States.

"ARTICLE VIII

"Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed:

"(1) to require either Party to furnish any information the disclosure of which it considers contrary to its essential security interests; or

"(2) to prevent either Party from taking any action which it considers necessary for the protection of its essential security interests—

"(a) relating to fissionable materials or the materials from which they are derived;

"(b) relating to the traffic in arms, ammunition and implements of war and to such traffic in other goods and materials as is carried on directly or indirectly for the purpose of supplying a military establishment;

"(c) taken in time of war or other emergency in international relations; or

"(3) to prevent either Party from taking any action in pursuance of its obligations under the United Nations Charter for the maintenance of international peace and security.

"ARTICLE IX

"1. Upon the taking effect of this Agreement, and upon the taking effect of the revisions thereof authorized by the Congress of the United States and the Congress of the Philippines in 1955, the provisions placing obligations on the United States: (a) if in effect as laws of the United States at the time of such taking effect, shall continue in effect as laws of the United States during the effectiveness of the Agreement;
or (b) if not so in effect, shall take effect and continue in effect as laws of the United States during the effectiveness of the Agreement. The Philippines will continue in effect as laws of the Philippines, during the effectiveness of this Agreement, the provisions thereof placing obligations on the Philippines.

2. The United States and the Philippines will promptly enact, and shall keep in effect during the effectiveness of this Agreement, such legislation as may be necessary to supplement the laws of the United States and the Philippines, respectively, referred to in Paragraph 1 of this Article, and to implement the provisions of such laws and the provisions of this Agreement placing obligations on the United States and the Philippines, respectively.

"ARTICLE X"

The United States and the Philippines agree to consult with each other with respect to any questions as to the interpretation or the application of this Agreement, concerning which either Government may make representations to the other. Not later than July 1, 1971, the United States and the Philippines agree to consult with each other as to joint problems which may arise as a result or in anticipation of the termination of this Agreement.

"ARTICLE XI"

1. This Agreement shall have no effect after July 3, 1974. It may be terminated by either the United States or the Philippines at any time, upon not less than five years' written notice. If the President of the United States or the President of the Philippines determines and proclaims that the other country has adopted or applied measures or practices which would operate to nullify or impair any right or obligation provided for in this Agreement, then the Agreement may be terminated upon not less than six months' written notice.

2. The revisions of this Agreement authorized by the Congress of the United States and the Congress of the Philippines in 1955 shall enter into force on January 1, 1956.

"PROTOCOL TO ACCOMPANY THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CONCERNING TRADE AND RELATED MATTERS DURING A TRANSITIONAL PERIOD FOLLOWING THE INSTITUTION OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE, SIGNED AT MANILA ON JULY 4, 1946, AS REVISED"

The undersigned duly empowered Plenipotentiaries have agreed to the following Protocol to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of the Philippines concerning trade and related matters during a transitional period following the institution of Philippine Independence, signed at Manila on July 4, 1946, as revised, which shall constitute an integral part of the Agreement:

1. For the purpose of the Agreement—

(a) The term 'person' includes partnerships, corporations, and associations.

(b) The term 'United States' means the United States of America and, when used in a geographical sense, means the States, the District of Columbia, the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.
"(c) The term 'Philippines' means the Republic of the Philippines and, when used in a geographical sense, means the territories of the Republic of the Philippines, whether a particular act in question took place, or a particular situation in question existed, within such territories before or after the institution of the Republic of the Philippines. As used herein the territories of the Republic of the Philippines comprise all the territories specified in Section 1 of Article I of the Constitution of the Philippines which is set forth as Annex X to this Agreement.

"(d) The term 'ordinary customs duty' means a customs duty based on the article as such (whether or not such duty is also based in any manner on the use, value, or method of production of the article, or on the amount of like articles imported, or on any other factor); but does not include—

"(1) A customs duty based on an act or omission of any person with respect to the importation of the article, or of the country from which the article is exported, or from which it comes; or

"(2) A countervailing duty imposed to offset a subsidy, bounty, or grant; or

"(3) An anti-dumping duty imposed to offset the selling of merchandise for exportation at a price less than the prevailing price in the country of export; or

"(4) Any tax, fee, charge, or exaction, imposed on or in connection with importation unless the law of the country imposing it designates or imposes it as a customs duty or contains a provision to the effect that it shall be treated as a duty imposed under the customs laws; or

"(5) The tax imposed by Section 4581 of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States, which is set forth as Annex VIII to this Agreement, with respect to an article, merchandise, or combination, ten per centum or more of the quantity by weight of which consists of, or is derived directly or indirectly from, one or more of the oils, fatty acids, or salts specified in Section 4511 of such Code which is set forth as Annex VII to this Agreement; or the tax imposed by Section 4501 (b) of such Code which is set forth as Annex IX to this Agreement.

"(e) The term 'United States article' means an article which is the product of the United States, unless, in the case of an article produced with the use of materials imported into the United States from any foreign country (except the Philippines) the aggregate value of such imported materials at the time of importation into the United States was more than twenty per centum of the value of the article imported into the Philippines, the value of such article to be determined in accordance with, and as of the time provided by, the customs laws of the Philippines in effect at the time of importation of such article. As used in this Subparagraph the term 'value', when used in reference to a material imported into the United States, includes the value of the material ascertained under the customs laws of the United States in effect at the time of importation into
the United States, and, if not included in such value, the cost of bringing the material to the United States, but does not include the cost of landing it at the port of importation, or customs duties collected in the United States. For the purposes of this Subparagraph any imported material, used in the production of an article in the United States, shall be considered as having been used in the production of an article subsequently produced in the United States, which is the product of a chain of production in the United States in the course of which an article, which is the product of one stage of the chain, is used by its producer or another person, in a subsequent stage of the chain, as a material in the production of another article. It is understood that 'United States articles' do not lose their status as such, for the purpose of Philippine tariff preferences, by reason of being imported into the Philippines from a country other than the United States or from an insular possession of the United States or by way of or via such a country or insular possession.

"(f) The term 'Philippine article' means an article which is the product of the Philippines, unless, in the case of an article produced with the use of materials imported into the Philippines from any foreign country (except the United States) the aggregate value of such imported materials at the time of importation into the Philippines was more than twenty per centum of the value of the article imported into the United States, the value of such article to be determined in accordance with, and as of the time provided by, the customs laws of the United States in effect at the time of importation of such article. As used in this Subparagraph the term 'value', when used in reference to a material imported into the Philippines, includes the value of the material ascertained under the customs laws of the Philippines in effect at the time of importation into the Philippines, and, if not included in such value, the cost of bringing the material to the Philippines, but does not include the cost of landing it at the port of importation, or customs duties collected in the Philippines. For the purposes of this Subparagraph any imported material, used in the production of an article in the Philippines, shall be considered as having been used in the production of an article subsequently produced in the Philippines, which is the product of a chain of production in the Philippines in the course of which an article, which is the product of one stage of the chain, is used by its producer or another person, in a subsequent stage of the chain, as a material in the production of another article. It is understood that 'Philippine articles' do not lose their status as such, for the purpose of United States tariff preferences, by reason of being imported into the United States from a country other than the Philippines or from an insular possession of the United States or by way of or via such a country or insular possession.

"(g) The term 'United States duty' means the rate or rates of ordinary customs duty which (at the time and place of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, in the United States for consumption, of the Philippine article) would
be applicable to a like article if imported from that foreign country which is entitled to the lowest rate, or the lowest aggregate of rates, of ordinary customs duty with respect to such like article.

"(h) The term 'Philippine duty' means the rate or rates of ordinary customs duty which (at the time and place of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, in the Philippines for consumption, of the United States article) would be applicable to a like article if imported from that foreign country which is entitled to the lowest rate, or the lowest aggregate of rates, of ordinary customs duty with respect to such like article.

"(i) The term 'internal tax' includes an internal fee, charge, or exaction, and includes—

"(1) The tax imposed by Section 4581 of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States which is set forth as Annex VIII to this Agreement, with respect to an article, merchandise, or combination, ten per centum or more of the quantity by weight of which consists of, or is derived directly or indirectly from, one or more of the oils, fatty acids, or salts specified in Section 4511 of such Code which is set forth as Annex VII to this Agreement; and the tax imposed by Section 4501 (b) of such Code which is set forth as Annex IX to this Agreement; and

"(2) Any other tax, fee, charge, or exaction, imposed on or in connection with importation unless the law of the country imposing it designates or imposes it as a customs duty or contains a provision to the effect that it shall be treated as a duty imposed under the customs laws.

"2. For the purposes of Subparagraphs (g) and (h) of Paragraph 1 of this Protocol—

"(a) If an article is entitled to be imported from a foreign country free of ordinary customs duty, that country shall be considered as the country entitled to the lowest rate of ordinary customs duty with respect to such article; and

"(b) A reduction in ordinary customs duty granted any country, by law, treaty, trade agreement, or otherwise, with respect to any article, shall be converted into the equivalent reduction in the rate of ordinary customs duty otherwise applicable to such article.

"3. For the purposes of Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article IV, any material, used in the production of an article, shall be considered as having been used in the production of an article subsequently produced, which is the product of a chain of production in the course of which an article, which is the product of one stage of the chain, is used by its producer or another person, in a subsequent stage of the chain, as a material in the production of another article.

"4. The terms 'includes' and 'including' when used in a definition contained in this Agreement shall not be deemed to exclude other things otherwise within the meaning of the term defined."

SEC. 202. MODIFICATION OF TEXT OF REVISED AGREEMENT.

The text of the revised agreement which is set forth in section 201 may be modified before the agreement authorized by such section is signed, but only—

(1) to the extent necessary (A) to correct errors, (B) to correct
references to laws, or (C) to reflect action taken by the Republic of the Philippines with respect to article V of such agreement; or (2) if such modifications are merely changes of style.

TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS

SEC. 301. PROCLAMATION; EFFECTIVE DATE OF TITLE.
(a) Proclamation.—If the agreement authorized by section 201 has been entered into before January 1, 1956, the President of the United States shall so proclaim, and the revised agreement shall be effective in the United States in accordance with its terms.

(b) Effective Date of Title.—The provisions of this title (other than this section) shall take effect on January 1, 1956, but only if the President of the United States has made the proclamation referred to in subsection (a).

SEC. 302. PHILIPPINE TRADE ACT OF 1946.
The Philippine Trade Act of 1946 (except section 506 (a) relating to termination of payments into Philippine Treasury, and except amendments and repeals made by such Act) shall not apply during such time as the revised agreement is in effect.

SEC. 303. QUOTAS ON PHILIPPINE ARTICLES.
The rights reserved to the United States by paragraph 2 of article III of the revised agreement shall be exercised by the President, subject to the terms and conditions contained in such article. The President is authorized to prescribe such procedures and regulations for carrying out his functions as he may deem appropriate. Quotas shall be established pursuant to such article III by proclamation of the President, shall be effective for such period or periods as the President shall specify in his proclamation, and shall terminate upon finding and proclamation of the President in accordance with paragraph (2) (d) of such article III.

SEC. 304. SUSPENSION OF 2 CENTS PER POUND ADDITIONAL PROCESSING TAX ON COCONUT OIL.
The authority contained in paragraph 5 of article IV of the revised agreement to suspend the provisions of section 4511 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 may be exercised by the President by proclamation.

SEC. 305. TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.
Until July 4, 1974, no trade agreement shall be entered into with the Republic of the Philippines under section 350, as amended, of the Tariff Act of 1930, which is inconsistent with this Act or with the revised agreement, unless, prior to such time, the revised agreement has been terminated.

SEC. 306. RIGHTS OF THIRD COUNTRIES.
The benefits granted by this Act, and by the revised agreement, to the Republic of the Philippines, Philippine articles or products, and Philippine citizens, shall not, by reason of any provision of any treaty or agreement existing on the date of the enactment of this Act with any third country, be extended to such country or its products, citizens, or subjects.

SEC. 307. ADMINISTRATION OF REVISED AGREEMENT.
The provisions of articles I, II, III, and IV of the revised agreement which are in effect in the United States which relate to customs or internal revenue matters shall be administered as parts of the customs and internal revenue laws of the United States.
SEC. 308. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.

Section 9 of the Act of March 2, 1917, as amended (48 U. S. C., sec. 734), is hereby amended by inserting after “the Philippine Trade Act of 1946” the following: “or the Philippine Trade Agreement Revision Act of 1955”.

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 197

AN ACT
To provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all payments of station per diem allowances heretofore made to commissioned officers and warrant officers of the Army, Navy, and Air Force permanently stationed at Fort Richardson, Alaska, or Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, after January 31, 1949, and before October 13, 1950, for service at Fort Richardson, Alaska, or Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, are validated to the extent that those station per diem allowances were paid, because the military department concerned determined that no Government mess was available to those commissioned officers and warrant officers under regulations promulgated pursuant to section 13 of the Act of June 16, 1942 (ch. 413, 56 Stat. 364), as amended by section 203 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (ch. 756, 60 Stat. 859). Any commissioned officer or warrant officer who has made a repayment to the United States of the amount so paid to him as station per diem allowances is entitled to be paid the amount involved, if otherwise proper.

Sec. 2. The Comptroller General of the United States, or his designee, shall relieve disbursing officers, including special disbursing agents, of the Army, Navy, and Air Force from accountability or responsibility for any payments described in section 1 of this Act, and shall allow credits in the settlement of the accounts of those officers or agents for payments which are found to be free from fraud and collusion.

Sec. 3. Appropriations available to the military department concerned for the pay and allowances of military personnel are available for payments under this Act.

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 198

AN ACT
To amend subsection (e) of section 1 of title 5 of the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (e) of section 1 of title 5 of the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, as amended (47 D. C. Code, sec. 1601), is amended to read as follows: “(e) Property transferred exclusively for public or municipal purposes, to the United States or the District of Columbia, or exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious purposes, shall be exempt from any and all taxation under the provisions of this section.”

Approved August 1, 1955.
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CHAPTER 441

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Authorizing the Territory of Hawaii, through its duly designated officers and boards, to negotiate a compromise agreement, exchange with, sell or lease to the owners of certain shorelands, certain tidelands, both in the Territory of Hawaii, and to make covenants with such owners, in settlement of certain damage claims and for a conveyance of littoral rights.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Public Lands of the Territory of Hawaii, with the concurrence of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the approval of two-thirds of the Board of Public Lands and of the Governor of the Territory of Hawaii, is hereby authorized and empowered, any provision of the Hawaiian Organic Act or any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, to enter into a compromise agreement with the owners of certain shorelands in the Territory of Hawaii covered by land court applications numbered 314, 1549, 1653, and 852 and 1092 (land court consolidation 82), and with any other owner or owners of lands abutting any part of the tidelands described in section 2 hereof, involving the conveyance by the Territory to said owners, or some of them, of all or any part of the tidelands described in section 2 of this Act, or to make a sale of all or any part of said lands described in section 2, to said owners, or some of them, or to exchange all or a part of said lands described in section 2, with said owners, or some of them, provided that said owners, who may have littoral rights appurtenant to said shorelands, affecting the tidelands described in section 2, convey to the Territory such littoral rights, agree to the construction of a public beach and groin along the seaward side of the lands described in section 2 of this Act, and release all claims for compensation, damages or otherwise which they have or might have against the Territory of Hawaii by reason of acts or omissions of the Territory, or for which the Territory is claimed to be responsible, done or omitted in connection with the development of the shoreline, yacht harbor and beaches in and adjoining said area. The Commissioner of Public Lands, with the concurrence of the Board of Harbor Commissioners, is hereby authorized and empowered, any provision of the Hawaiian Organic Act or any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, to lease for a period of fifty-five years all or any part of said lands described in section 2, to said owners, or some of them.

SEC. 2. The tidelands authorized to be conveyed or leased by the Commissioner of Public Lands by this Act are described as follows:

Land at Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii: Being a portion of area transferred to the Territory of Hawaii by Presidential Proclamation Numbered 1856, dated October 27, 1928. Situated off Kalia, Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

Beginning at an ‡ cut in face of seawall on the easterly boundary of this parcel of land, being also the west corner of land court application 1653, the coordinates of said point of beginning referred to Government survey triangulation station “PUNCHBOWL” being 10,981.46 feet south and 5,555.61 feet east and running by azimuths measured clockwise from true south:

Along face of seawall, along highwater mark of land court application 1653 for the next three courses, the direct azimuths and distances between points along said face of seawall being:

1. 310 degrees, 12 minutes, 46.20 feet to an ‡ cut in face of seawall;
2. 297 degrees, 18 minutes, 23.90 feet to a † cut in face of seawall;
3. 296 degrees, 10 minutes, 24.62 feet to a ‡ cut in face of seawall;
Thence along face of seawall along high-water mark of land court applications 624 and 264 for the next eleven courses, the direct azimuths and distances between points along said face of seawall being—

4. 296 degrees, 06 minutes, 27.85 feet to a \( \checkmark \) cut in face of seawall;
5. 293 degrees, 08 minutes, 22.85 feet to a \( \checkmark \) cut in face of seawall;
6. 298 degrees, 14 minutes, 44.75 feet to a spike in face of seawall;
7. 248 degrees, 12 minutes, 0.97 foot to an \( \checkmark \) cut in top edge of seawall;
8. 269 degrees, 48 minutes, 55.85 feet to an \( \checkmark \) cut in top edge of seawall;
9. 270 degrees, 42 minutes, 37.46 feet to an \( \checkmark \) cut in top edge of seawall;
10. 274 degrees, 46 minutes, 16.35 feet to an \( \checkmark \) cut in top edge of seawall;
11. 277 degrees, 33 minutes, 16.65 feet to an \( \checkmark \) cut in top edge of seawall;
12. 281 degrees, 22 minutes, 32.66 feet to an \( \checkmark \) cut in top edge of seawall;
13. 282 degrees, 58 minutes, 32 feet to a pipe;
14. 234 degrees, 59 minutes, 0.27 foot; thence
15. 319 degrees, 19 minutes, 154.69 feet to a \( \checkmark \) cut in concrete tile walk;
16. 320 degrees, 30 minutes, 36.96 feet;
17. 320 degrees, 30 minutes, 34.37 feet along end of Dewey Way, the true azimuth and distance from U. S. M. R. Monument 32 being: 58 degrees, 03 minutes, 82.92 feet;
18. 58 degrees, 03 minutes, 90.96 feet along United States Military Reservation (Fort DeRussy) and passing over U. S. M. R. Monument 31 at 30.93 feet;
19. 139 degrees, 19 minutes, 157.27 feet;
20. 96 degrees, 18 minutes, 45 seconds, 190.64 feet;
21. 120 degrees, 05 minutes, 25 seconds, 208.60 feet;
22. 149 degrees, 25 minutes, 115 feet;
23. 157 degrees, 41 minutes, 29 seconds, 427.19 feet;
24. 239 degrees, 58 minutes, 406 feet to the west corner of land court application 1549;

Thence along highwater mark of land court application 1549 for the next five courses, the direct azimuths and distances between points along said highwater mark being—

25. 320 degrees, 22 minutes, 18.48 feet;
26. 291 degrees, 45 minutes, 15.75 feet;
27. 297 degrees, 01 minute, 22.75 feet;
28. 318 degrees, 42 minutes, 32.70 feet;
29. 326 degrees, 46 minutes, 15.03 feet;
30. 324 degrees, 00 minutes, 35 feet;
31. 334 degrees, 10 minutes, 125 feet;
32. 336 degrees, 15 minutes, 189 feet;
33. 334 degrees, 00 minutes, 93.42 feet to a \( \checkmark \) cut in top of stonewall;
34. 61 degrees, 39 minutes, 60 feet along land court application 1653 to a 2\( \frac{1}{2} \) -inch pipe in concrete;
35. 61 degrees, 46 minutes, 67.74 feet along land court application 1653 to a spike in face of seawall;
36. 61 degrees, 56 minutes, 278.88 feet along face of seawall along highwater mark of land court application 1653 to the point of beginning and containing an area of 6.39 acres.
Sec. 3. The Commissioner of Public Lands, with the concurrence of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the approval of two-thirds of the Board of Public Lands and of the Governor is also authorized and empowered in the making of any such compromise agreement, exchange, sale or lease to covenant with such owners to create and maintain a public beach and groin on the seaward side of the lands described in section 2 of this Act, so long as and to the extent that appropriations are and may from time to time be available therefor, and to permit access to and from said beach across courses nineteen to twenty-three inclusive of the land described in section 2 of this Act.

Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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erly along the southern and southeastern edge of the delta of the Sagavanirktok River to a point on the east bank of the river at approximate latitude 69 degrees 57 minutes north, longitude 148 degrees 39 minutes west; thence in a meandering line in a generally southerly direction along the eastern main bank of the flood plain of the Sagavanirktok River to the junction with the Ivishak River, approximate latitude 69 degrees 32 minutes north, longitude 148 degrees 29 minutes west; thence due west approximately 2 miles to the divide between the waters of the Sagavanirktok and the Toolik Rivers approximate latitude 69 degrees 32 minutes north, longitude 148 degrees 35 minutes west; thence in a generally southwesterly direction following the height of land dividing the waters of the Toolik, Kuparuk, and Itkillik Rivers from those of the Sagavanirktok River to a point on the Brooks Range Divide between the headwaters of the Colville River on the north and west and the waters of the Yukon River on the south at approximate latitude 68 degrees 9 minutes north, longitude 149 degrees 51 minutes west; thence southwesterly to latitude 61 degrees 30 minutes; thence northwesterly to latitude 61 degrees, longitude 165 degrees 30 minutes; thence west to the international boundary."

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 202

AN ACT

To provide for the distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of section 1 of the Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1934 (48 Stat. 1021, 1033), under the heading "Bureau of Indian Affairs" directing the Secretary of the Interior to make a per capita payment to the members of the Creek Tribe of Indians on the basis of a roll to be made as of December 4, 1933, are repealed.

SEC. 2. (a) The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to use any funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Creek Nation to complete allotment equalization payments to persons with claims thereto that were filed and adjudicated in accordance with the provisions of section 18 in the Act of June 30, 1919 (41 Stat. 3, 24).

(b) The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to distribute per capita to the members of the Creek Nation whose names appear on the final rolls approved under the Act of April 26, 1906 (34 Stat. 137), or to their heirs or legatees, any funds heretofore or hereafter deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Creek Nation that are not used for the purposes of subsection (a) of this section and that are not needed, in the judgment of the Secretary, for other tribal purposes except the proceeds of any final judgment entered in Docket No. 21, pending before the Indian Claims Commission, in which the Creek Nation (Oklahoma) is plaintiff, and McGhee et al., on behalf of the Creek Nation East of the Mississippi are intervenors, and the United States is defendant.
(c) The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to distribute among the persons entitled thereto the funds appropriated by chapter XII of the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952 (66 Stat. 101, 121), in payment of the judgment entered by the Indian Claims Commission in favor of the Loyal Creek Band or Group of Creek Indians et al., Docket No. 1. Such funds shall be paid to those persons whose names appear on the payroll prepared pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1903 (32 Stat. 982, 994), by J. Blair Schoenfelt, United States Indian Agent, or to their heirs or legatees, on a pro rata basis in proportion to the amounts appearing opposite their names on such payroll.

Sec. 3. (a) If a person entitled to a payment authorized by this Act is deceased, such payment shall be made to his heirs or legatees determined in accordance with the laws, relating to the distribution of personal property, of the Creek Nation if the decedent died before January 1, 1898, or of the State of Arkansas in effect at the time of death if the decedent died before November 16, 1907, or of the State of Oklahoma in effect at the time of death if the decedent died on or after November 16, 1907. For the purposes of this section the decedent shall be regarded as an owner in possession of the payment at the time of his death.

(b) Before a payment authorized by this Act is made to an heir or legatee of a deceased person, proof of death and heirship or bequest satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior shall be submitted to him, and his findings with respect thereto shall be final and conclusive. Where satisfactory proof of death and heirship or bequest is already available to the Secretary, no additional submission shall be required.

Sec. 4. Funds payable under this Act to minors or to persons under legal disability shall be paid to such representatives and under such conditions as the Secretary of the Interior may direct. The distribution of funds under this Act shall not be subject to any lien, except for debts owed to the United States or to Indian organizations indebted to the United States, and shall not be taxable.

Sec. 5. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of $200,000 to remain available until expended, for necessary expenses incident to the distribution of funds authorized by this Act.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to issue rules and regulations necessary for the purposes of this Act.

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 203

AN ACT

To modify the Acts of August 12, 1935 (49 Stat. 571, 584), May 15, 1936 (49 Stat. 1274), July 1, 1946 (60 Stat. 357), August 8, 1946 (60 Stat. 923), and June 30, 1947 (61 Stat. 211), with respect to the recoupment of certain public school construction costs, and to amend the Act of August 17, 1950 (64 Stat. 459), relating to the expenditure of funds for cooperating with the public school board of Walker, Minnesota.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, Effective on July 1, 1955, the recoupment requirements of the Acts of August 12, 1935 (49 Stat. 571, 584), May 15, 1936 (49 Stat. 1274), July 1, 1946 (60 Stat. 357), August 8, 1946 (60 Stat. 923), and June 30, 1947 (61 Stat. 211), shall become inapplicable to the unrecouped balances of funds expended pursuant to such Acts.
Sec. 2. In order to permit the granting of privileges to the public school board at Walker, Minnesota, that are consistent with those granted other public school boards pursuant to the Act of August 31, 1954 (68 Stat. 999), the Act of August 17, 1950 (64 Stat. 459), is hereby amended by striking out the following: "Provided, That in consideration of the amount heretofore appropriated and the amount which may be appropriated to carry out the provisions of this section, all Indian children residing in such district shall be admitted to the schools of the district without further cost to the United States for instructional, operation, and maintenance purposes".

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 204

AN ACT

To amend section 6 of Public Law 874, Eighty-first Congress, so as to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on military installations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 (a) of the Act of September 30, 1950 (Public Law 874, Eighty-first Congress), as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "In any case where education was being provided on January 1, 1955, or thereafter under an arrangement made under this subsection for children residing on an Army, Navy (including the Marine Corps), or Air Force installation, it shall be presumed, for the purposes of this subsection, that no local educational agency is able to provide suitable free public education for the children residing on such installation, until the Commissioner and the Secretary of the military department concerned jointly determine, after consultation with the appropriate State educational agency, that a local educational agency is able to do so."

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 205

AN ACT

To provide for the conveyance to the city of Clarksburg, West Virginia, of certain property which was donated for use in connection with a veterans' hospital, and which is not being so used.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized and directed to convey, without monetary consideration and subject to the conditions in section 2 of this Act, to the city of Clarksburg, West Virginia, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of land currently leased to the city of Clarksburg, situated on the western end of the Veterans' Administration hospital reservation, near the city of Clarksburg, in Clark District, Harrison County, West Virginia, the exact legal description of which shall be determined by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.

Sec. 2. The deed of conveyance authorized by this Act shall provide that—

(1) such tract shall be used only for park and recreational purposes; and
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(2) if such tract is used in any manner that, in the judgment of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs or his designate, interferes with the care and treatment of patients in the Veterans' Administration hospital located on land contiguous to such tract, such interference shall cease immediately upon notice thereof to the city of Clarksburg by the Administrator or his designate; and

(3) if either of the conditions prescribed in paragraphs (1) and (2) is violated, title to such tract shall revert to the United States;

(4) all mineral rights, including oil and gas, in such tract of land shall be reserved to the United States.

Sec. 3. Clause (2) of the Act of July 30, 1947 (61 Stat. 677), is hereby repealed, and clauses (3) and (4) of that Act are renumbered (2) and (3), respectively.

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 206

AN ACT

To repeal certain laws relating to timber and stone on the public domain.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to valid existing rights and claims, sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of the Act of June 3, 1878 (20 Stat. 89), as amended (43 U. S. C., secs. 311, 312, and 313), are hereby repealed.

Approved August 1, 1955.

Public Law 207

AN ACT

Authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain property of the United States to the city of North Little Rock, Arkansas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to section 2 of this Act, the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized and directed to quitclaim to the city of North Little Rock, Arkansas, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of land containing six hundred and fifty-six acres, more or less, situated in the Veterans' Administration hospital reservation in that city, the exact legal description of which shall be determined by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.

Sec. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act (1) shall provide that the tract of land so conveyed shall be used for park purposes, and if it shall ever cease to be used for such park purposes the title to such property shall revert to the United States, which shall have the immediate right of reentry thereon, (2) shall reserve to the United States all mineral rights, including gas and oil, in the land so conveyed, and (3) may contain such additional terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions as may be determined by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to be necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

Approved August 1, 1955.
Public Law 208

AN ACT

Making appropriations for Mutual Security for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

MUTUAL SECURITY

For expenses necessary to enable the President to carry out the provisions of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended (Public Law 665, approved August 26, 1954, as amended by Public Law 138, Eighty-fourth Congress), as follows:

Military assistance: For assistance authorized by section 103 (a) (2), including not to exceed $23,250,000 for administrative expenses to carry out the purposes of title I, chapter 1, and section 124, $705,000,000, of which $122,000,000 shall be available for infrastructure as authorized by section 104 (a); and in addition not to exceed $53,900,000 of unobligated and unreserved funds heretofore appropriated under authority of section 103 (a) (1) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, are continued available until June 30, 1956, for the purposes of section 103 (a) (2);

Direct forces support: For assistance authorized by section 124, $305,000,000 and in addition $12,200,000 for additional assistance to Formosa and Thailand;

Defense support, Europe: For assistance authorized by section 131 (c) (1), $85,500,000: Provided, That at least $50,000,000, on a grant basis, shall be made available for assistance to Spain exclusive of Technical Exchange: Provided further, That not less than $22,000,000 of the amount available for Spain shall be used for agricultural commodities;

Defense support, Near East and Africa: For assistance authorized by section 131 (c) (2), $113,700,000 including not less than $26,200,000 for assistance to Greece;

Defense support, Asia: For assistance authorized by section 131 (c) (3), $800,000,000; and in addition not to exceed $25,000,000 of unobligated balances of funds heretofore appropriated under authority of section 121 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, are hereby continued available through June 30, 1956;

Development assistance, Near East and Africa: For assistance authorized by section 201 (c) for purposes of section 201 (a) (1), $73,000,000;

Development assistance, Asia: For assistance authorized by section 201 (c) for purposes of section 201 (a) (2), $51,000,000;

Development assistance, American Republics and non-self-governing territories of the Western Hemisphere: For assistance authorized by section 201 (c) for purposes of section 201 (a) (3), $38,000,000;

Technical cooperation, general authorization: For assistance authorized by section 304 (b), $127,500,000;

United Nations expanded program of technical assistance: For contributions authorized by section 306 (a), $24,000,000, which shall constitute the total United States contribution through December 31, 1956;

Technical cooperation programs of the Organization of American States: For contributions authorized by section 306 (b), $1,500,000;
Special Presidential Fund: For assistance authorized by section 401 (b), $100,000,000;
Special assistance in joint control areas in Europe: For assistance authorized by section 403 (b), $21,000,000;
Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration: For contributions authorized by section 405 (a), $12,500,000; Provided, That no funds appropriated in this Act shall be used to assist directly in the migration to any nation in the Western Hemisphere of any person not having a security clearance based on reasonable standards to insure against Communist infiltration in the Western Hemisphere;
United Nations Refugee Fund: For contributions authorized by section 405 (c), $1,200,000;
Escapee program: For assistance authorized by section 405 (d), $6,000,000;
United Nations Children's Fund: For contributions authorized by section 406 (b), $14,500,000, which shall constitute the total United States contribution through December 31, 1956;
United Nations Relief and Works Agency: For contributions authorized by section 407 (b), $3,653,250; and in addition not to exceed $3,653,250 of the unobligated balances of funds appropriated under the head "Palestine Refugee Program" in the Mutual Security Appropriation Act, 1954, are continued available through June 30, 1956, for the purposes authorized by section 407;
North Atlantic Treaty Organization: For payments authorized by section 408, $3,700,000;
Ocean freight charges, United States voluntary relief agencies: For payments authorized by section 409 (c), $2,000,000;
Ocean freight charges, surplus agricultural commodities: For payments authorized by section 409 (d), $13,000,000;
Control Act expenses: For carrying out the purposes of the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951, as authorized by section 410, $1,175,000;
Administrative expenses: For expenses authorized by section 411, $33,500,000;
President's Fund for Asian Economic Development: For the President's Fund for Asian Economic Development as authorized by section 418 (b), $100,000,000 to remain available until June 30, 1958.
Funds appropriated under each paragraph of this Act (other than appropriations under the head of military assistance), including specified amounts of unobligated balances, and amounts certified pursuant to section 1311 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, as having been obligated against appropriations heretofore made for the same general purpose as such paragraph, which amounts are hereby continued available during the fiscal year 1956, may be consolidated in one account for each paragraph.

**General Provisions**

Sec. 102. Appropriations in this Act for the purposes of chapters 2 (except for section 124) and 3 of title I and titles II, III, and IV of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, and allocations to the Department of State, from any other appropriations, for functions directly related to the purposes of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, or for use by the International Cooperation Administration for other purposes authorized by law shall be available for rents in the District of Columbia; expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of such appropriations, including notwithstanding the provision of section 3 of the Act of March 4, 1909 (31 U. S. C. 673)), expenses in connection with meetings of persons
whose employment is authorized by section 530 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended; employment of aliens, by contract, for services abroad; maintenance, operation, and hire of aircraft; purchase (not to exceed two for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles and, in addition, passenger motor vehicles abroad may be exchanged or sold and replaced by an equal number of such vehicles and the cost, including the exchange allowance, of each such replacement shall not exceed $3,000 in the case of an automobile for the chief of any special mission or staff abroad established under section 526 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended; entertainment within the United States (not to exceed $15,000); exchange of funds without regard to section 3651 of the Revised Statutes (31 U. S. C. 543); loss by exchange; expenditures (not to exceed $50,000) of a confidential character other than entertainment, provided that a certificate of the amount of each such expenditure, the nature of which it is considered inadvisable to specify, shall be made by the Secretary of State, or such person as he may designate, and every such certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the amount therein specified; insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries; rental of quarters outside the continental limits of the United States to house employees of the United States Government (without regard to section 322 of the Act of June 30, 1932, as amended (40 U. S. C. 278a)); lease, necessary repairs and alterations to quarters; actual expenses of preparing and transporting to their former homes in the United States or elsewhere the remains of persons or members of the families of persons who may die while such persons are away from their homes participating in activities under the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, or other Act directly related to the purposes of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended; purchase of uniforms; employment of chauffeurs for passenger carrying vehicles abroad notwithstanding the provisions of any other law; medical examinations of dependents of overseas personnel or candidates for overseas positions on the same basis as for employees or candidates; payment of per diem in lieu of subsistence to persons participating in any program of furnishing technical information and assistance, while in countries other than their own and other than the continental United States, at rates not in excess of those prescribed by the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, notwithstanding section 107 of the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1956; expenses authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (32 U. S. C. 801-1158), not otherwise provided for; ice and drinking water for use abroad; and services of commissioned officers of the Public Health Service and of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and for the purposes of providing such services the Public Health Service may appoint not to exceed twenty officers in the Regular Corps to grades above that of senior assistant, but not above that of director, as otherwise authorized in accordance with section 711 of the Act of July 1, 1944, as amended (42 U. S. C. 211a), and the Coast and Geodetic Survey may appoint for such purposes not to exceed twenty commissioned officers in addition to those otherwise authorized: Provided, That no part of the administrative expenses shall be used to pay the salary of any civilian employee at a rate greater than that paid by the State Department for comparable work or services in the same area: Provided further, That appropriations made under this Act shall be available for expenses in connection with travel of personnel outside the continental United States, including travel of dependents and transportation of personal effects, household goods, or automobiles of such personnel when any part of such travel or transportation begins in the current fiscal year pursuant to travel orders issued in that fiscal
year, notwithstanding the fact that such travel or transportation may not be completed during the current fiscal year, and cost of transporting to and from a place of storage, and the cost of storing, the furniture and household and personal effects of any employee who is assigned to a post at which he is unable to use his furniture and effects, under such regulations as the Secretary of State, or such person as he may designate, may prescribe: Provided further, That no part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for expense of transportation, packing, crating, temporary storage, drayage, and unpacking of household goods and personal effects in excess of an average of five thousand pounds net but not exceeding nine thousand pounds net in any one shipment, but the limitations imposed herein shall not be applicable in the case of employees transferred to or serving in stations outside the continental United States under orders relieving them from a duty station within the United States prior to August 1, 1953.

SEC. 103. Payments made from funds appropriated herein for engineering fees and services to any individual engineering firm on any one project in excess of $25,000 shall be reported to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives at least twice annually.

SEC. 104. Pursuant to section 1415 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1953, and in addition to other amounts made available pursuant to said section, not to exceed the equivalent of $25,000,000 of foreign currencies or credits owed to or owned by the United States shall remain available until June 30, 1956, without reimbursement to the Treasury, for liquidation of obligations incurred against such currencies or credits prior to July 1, 1953, pursuant to authority contained in the Mutual Security Act of 1951, as amended, and Acts for which funds were authorized by that Act and hereafter, foreign currencies generated under the provisions of this Act shall be utilized only for the purposes for which the funds providing the commodities which generated the currency were appropriated.

SEC. 105. None of the funds provided by this Act nor any of the counterpart funds generated as a result of assistance under this or any other Act shall be used to make payments on account of the principal or interest on any debt of any foreign government or on any loan made to such government by any other foreign government; nor shall any of these funds be expended for any purpose for which funds have been withdrawn by any recipient country to make payment on such debts.

SEC. 106. Not more than 20 per centum of any funds made available by this Act shall be obligated and/or reserved during the last two months of the fiscal year.

SEC. 107. The appropriations, authorizations, and authority with respect thereto in this Act shall be available from July 1, 1955, for the purposes provided in such appropriations, authorizations, and authority. All obligations incurred during the period between June 30, 1955, and the date of enactment of this Act in anticipation of such appropriations, authorizations, and authority are hereby ratified and confirmed if in accordance with the terms hereof.

SEC. 108. Funds heretofore or hereafter allocated to the Department of Defense from any appropriation for military assistance (including funds consolidated with any such appropriation but excepting funds obligated directly against any such appropriation for offshore procurement or other purposes) shall be accounted for by geographic area and by country solely on the basis of the value of materials delivered and services performed (such value to be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of law governing the administration of military assistance). Within the limits of amounts available from
funds so allocated, the Department of Defense is authorized to incur, in applicable appropriations, obligations in anticipation of reimbursement from such allocations, and no funds so allocated and available shall be withdrawn by administrative action until the Secretary of Defense shall certify that they are not required for liquidation of obligations so incurred. Unobligated amounts of such allocations equal to the value of orders placed with the military departments against such allocations shall be reserved and shall remain available until June 30, 1958, for making such reimbursements (except in case of funds obligated directly against such allocations) only upon the basis of materials delivered and services rendered: Provided, That reports of items to be delivered against funds reserved as provided herein shall be furnished quarterly by the Secretary of Defense to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives and, not less often than once each quarter, said Secretary shall make a detailed report to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on a delivery or service rendered basis, on all military assistance funds allocated and available to the Department of Defense as of the end of the preceding quarter: Provided further, That no reimbursements for materials or services shall be made after June 30, 1955, until the value of materials delivered and services performed shall equal the amount of expenditures made from all appropriations herein and heretofore made for military assistance as of said date: Provided, however, That not to exceed $302,000,000 of any reimbursement heretofore made by the Air Force to military assistance appropriations as of June 30, 1955, pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be considered null and void and materials and services of an equivalent amount shall be delivered or performed by the Air Force for military assistance purposes without reimbursement: Provided further, That in the event the President shall determine that supplies and equipment ordered against funds so allocated are required for the defense of the United States, the amount allocated for supplies and materials required for such purpose shall be returned to the appropriation from which allocated: Provided further, That funds appropriated in this Act for military assistance (including specified amounts of unobligated balances and funds consolidated with any such appropriation), amounts certified pursuant to section 1311 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, and, where authorized by the President, funds made available to the Department of Defense under section 401 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, shall be maintained in one account which shall be used for all transactions involving military assistance during the current fiscal year and no expenditure shall be made from such account except as may be within the limits of the sum of the amounts mentioned in this proviso: Provided further, That nothing in this Act shall be construed as making any appropriation or fund available for obligation after the end of the current fiscal year except as may be necessary for reimbursements authorized herein.

Section 110 of the Act of September 3, 1954 (Public Law 778), is hereby repealed.

Sec. 109. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit...
has not contrary to the provisions of this paragraph engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this or any other Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Sec. 110. This Act may be cited as the "Mutual Security Appropriation Act, 1956".

Approved August 2, 1955.

Public Law 209

CHAPTER 492

AN ACT

To extend the provisions of title XII of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, relating to war risk insurance, for an additional five years.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1214 of title XII of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, is amended by striking out "5" and inserting in lieu thereof "10".

Approved August 3, 1955.

Public Law 210

CHAPTER 493

AN ACT

To permit the issuance of a flag to a friend or associate of the deceased veteran where it is not claimed by the next of kin.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph I of Veterans Regulation Numbered 9 (a), as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"I. Where an honorably discharged veteran of any war, or a person honorably discharged from the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard after serving at least one enlistment or for disability incurred in line of duty, dies after discharge, a flag to drape the casket shall be furnished in all cases; such flag to be given to the next of kin after burial of the veteran: Provided, That in the event no claim is made for the flag by the next of kin, it may be given, upon request, to a close friend or an associate of the deceased veteran: Provided further, That the furnishing of a flag to any person under this proviso will constitute final and conclusive determination of rights under this Veterans Regulation."

Approved August 3, 1955.
AN ACT
To amend the Federal Airport Act, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (3) of section 2 (a) of the Federal Airport Act (49 U. S. C. 1101-1119) is amended to read as follows:

"(3) 'Airport development' means (A) any work involved in constructing, improving, or repairing a public airport or portion thereof, including the construction, alteration, and repair of airport passenger or freight terminal buildings and other airport administrative buildings and the removal, lowering, relocation, and marking and lighting of airport hazards, and (B) any acquisition of land or of any interest therein, or of any easement through or other interest in air space, which is necessary to permit any such work or to remove or mitigate or prevent or limit the establishment of, airport hazards; but such term does not include the construction, alteration, or repair of airport hangars."

SEC. 2. The first two sentences of subsection (a) of section 3 of such Act are amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. (a) The Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to prepare, and thereafter, at least three months prior to the close of each fiscal year, to revise, a national plan for the development of public airports in the United States, including the Territory of Alaska, the Territory of Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Such plan shall specify, in terms of general location and type of development, the projects considered by the Secretary to be necessary to provide a system of public airports adequate to anticipate and meet the needs of civil aeronautics, which projects shall include all types of airport development eligible for Federal aid under this Act and shall not be limited to any classes or categories of public airports."

SEC. 3. Section 4 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 4. In order to bring about, in conformity with the national airport plan prepared and from time to time revised as provided in this Act, the establishment of a nationwide system of public airports adequate to meet the present and future needs of civil aeronautics, the Secretary of Commerce is authorized, within the limits of the obligation authority provided in section 5, to make grants of funds to sponsors for airport development as hereinafter provided."

SEC. 4. Section 5 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 5. (a) For the purpose of carrying out this Act with respect to projects in the several States, there are hereby authorized to be obligated by the execution of grant agreements pursuant to section 12 the sum of $40,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and the sum of $60,000,000 for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1957, June 30, 1958, and June 30, 1959. Each such authorized amount shall become available for obligation beginning July 1 of the fiscal year for which it is authorized, and shall continue to be so available until so obligated.

"(b) For the purpose of carrying out this Act with respect to projects in the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii, and in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, there are hereby authorized to be obligated by the execution of grant agreements pursuant to section 12 the sum of $2,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and the sum of $3,000,000 for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1957, June 30, 1958, and June 30, 1959. Each such authorized amount shall become available for obligation beginning July 1 of the fiscal year for
which it is authorized, and shall continue to be so available until so obligated. Of each of the amounts authorized by this subsection, 45 per centum shall be available for projects in the Territory of Alaska, 25 per centum for projects in the Territory of Hawaii, 20 per centum for projects in Puerto Rico, and 10 per centum for projects in the Virgin Islands.

"(c) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such amounts of money as may be necessary to liquidate obligations incurred as authorized by subsections (a) and (b).

"(d) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such amounts of money as may be necessary for planning and research and for administrative expenses incident to the administration of this Act. As used in this section, the term ‘administrative expenses’ includes expenses under this Act of the character specified in section 204 of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 (49 U. S. C. 424)."

Sec. 5. Section 6 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 6. (a) As soon as possible after July 1 of each fiscal year for which an amount is authorized to be obligated by section 5 (a), 75 per centum of the amount made available for that year shall be apportioned by the Secretary of Commerce among the several States, one-half in the proportion which the population of each State bears to the total population of all the States, and one-half in the proportion which the area of each State bears to the total area of all the States. Each amount so apportioned for a State shall, during the fiscal year for which it was first authorized to be obligated and the fiscal year immediately following, be available only for grants for approved projects located in that State, or sponsored by that State or some public agency thereof but located in an adjoining State, and thereafter any portion of such amount which remains unobligated shall be redistributed and reapportioned as provided in subsection (c) of this section. Upon making an apportionment as provided in this subsection, the Secretary shall inform the executive head of each State and any public agency which has requested such information, as to the amounts apportioned for each State. As used in this subsection the term ‘population’ means the population according to the latest decennial census of the United States and the term ‘area’ includes both land and water.

"(b) (1) Twenty-five per centum of all amounts authorized to be obligated by section 5 (a) shall, as such amounts become available, constitute a discretionary fund.

"(2) Such discretionary fund shall be available for such approved projects in the several States as the Secretary may deem most appropriate for carrying out the national airport plan, regardless of the States in which they are located. The Secretary shall give consideration, in determining the projects for which such fund is to be so used, to the existing airport facilities in the several States and to the need for or lack of development of airport facilities in the several States.

"(3) Such discretionary fund shall also be available for such approved projects in national parks and national recreation areas, national monuments, and national forests, sponsored by the United States or any agency thereof, as the Secretary may deem appropriate for carrying out the national airport plan; but no other funds authorized under authority of this Act shall be available for such purpose. The sponsor’s share of the project costs of any such approved project shall be paid only out of funds contributed to the sponsor for the purpose of paying such costs (receipt of which funds and their use for this purpose is hereby authorized) or appropriations specifically authorized therefor.
“(c) Seventy-five per centum of any amount apportioned for projects in a State pursuant to subsection (a) of this section which has not been obligated by grant agreement at the expiration of the two fiscal years for which such amount was so apportioned shall be reapportioned among the respective States in the manner of apportionment of the original authorization under subsection (a) and the remaining 25 per centum of such amount shall be added to the discretionary fund established by subsection (b), and at the expiration of each succeeding fiscal year any of the amount so reapportioned for a State that still remains unobligated shall again be reapportioned and redistributed in the same manner.”

SEC. 6. Section 8 of such Act is repealed.

SEC. 7. The first sentence of subsection (d) of section 9 of such Act is amended to read as follows: “All such projects shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of Commerce, which approval shall be given only if he is satisfied that the project will contribute to the accomplishment of the purposes of this Act, that sufficient funds are available for that portion of the project costs which is not to be paid by the United States under this Act, that the project will be completed without undue delay, that the public agency or public agencies which submit the project application have legal authority to engage in the airport development as proposed, and that all project sponsorship requirements prescribed by or under the authority of this Act have been or will be met.”

SEC. 8. The third sentence of section 12 of such Act is amended to read as follows: “Each such offer shall state a definite amount as the maximum obligation of the United States payable from funds authorized by this Act, and shall stipulate the obligations to be assumed by the sponsor or sponsors of the project.”

SEC. 9. All amounts authorized by section 4 of this Act to be obligated for grants under the Federal Airport Act shall be additional to all amounts previously appropriated or authorized to be obligated for such purposes. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the balances of such previously appropriated or authorized funds which are unexpended and unobligated on the effective date of this Act shall remain available for obligation and expenditure as originally appropriated or authorized.

Approved August 3, 1955.

Public Law 212

CHAPTER 495

AN ACT

To declare a certain portion of the waterway (a section of the Acushnet River) in the city of New Bedford and the towns of Fairhaven and Acushnet, Massachusetts, a nonnavigable stream.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the portion of the waterway in the city of New Bedford and the towns of Fairhaven and Acushnet lying north of the Coggeshall Street Bridge (north 41 degrees 31 minutes 00 seconds), is hereby declared to be a nonnavigable water of the United States within the meaning of the Constitution and laws of the United States. Any project heretofore authorized by any Act of Congress, insofar as such project relates to the above described portions of the Acushnet River section of New Bedford and Fairhaven Harbor, is hereby abandoned. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved August 3, 1955.
AN ACT
To provide for the abolition of the eighty-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of May 14, 1898 (30 Stat. 409), as amended by the Act of March 3, 1903 (32 Stat. 1028; 48 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 371), is amended by striking out the following language: "And provided further, That no location of scrip, selection, or right along any navigable or other waters shall be made within the distance of eighty rods of any lands, along such waters, theretofore located by means of any such scrip or otherwise;", and "and along such shore a space of at least eighty rods shall be reserved from entry between all such claims;".

SEC. 2. Section 10 of the Act of May 14, 1898 (30 Stat. 413; 48 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 462), is amended by striking out the following language: "Provided further, That there shall be reserved by the United States a space of eighty rods in width between tracts sold or entered under the provisions of this Act on lands abutting on any navigable stream, inlet, gulf, bay, or seashore, and that the Secretary of the Interior may grant the use of such reserve lands abutting on the waterfront to any citizen or association of citizens, or to any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States or under the laws of any State or Territory, for landings, and wharves, with the provision that the public shall have access to and proper use of such wharves, and landings, at reasonable rates of toll to be prescribed by said Secretary, and a roadway sixty feet in width, parallel to the shore line as near as may be practicable, shall be reserved for the use of the public as a highway:".

SEC. 3. The Act of June 5, 1920 (41 Stat. 1059; 48 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 372), is amended by striking out the following language: "reserve from sale and entry a space of at least eighty rods in width between tracts sold or entered under the provisions thereof along the shore of any navigable water, and", and by also striking out the following language: "restore to entry and disposition such reserved spaces and may".

SEC. 4. All lands restored from reservation by this Act shall be restored to all forms of appropriation under the public land laws applicable to the Territory of Alaska, but a restoration from reservation by this Act shall not be construed as a revocation of an order of withdrawal within the meaning of section 4 of the Act of September 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 748), as amended (43 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 282).

SEC. 5. All conveyances of lands opened for sale, entry, or settlement under this Act shall be subject to (a) grants heretofore made by the Secretary of the Interior for the use of reserved lands abutting on the waterfront to any citizen or association of citizens, or to any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States or under the laws of any State or Territory, for landings, and wharves, as provided by section 10 of the Act of May 14, 1898 (30 Stat. 409; 48 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 462), with an easement for not more than a one hundred-foot right-of-way for an access road to such wharves and landings, and (b) reservations made by the Secretary of the Interior for the use of the natives of Alaska of tracts of land along the waterfront of any stream, inlet, bay, or seashore for landing places for canoes and other craft used by the natives, as provided by said section 10 (30 Stat. 409; 48 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 464), together
with necessary right-of-way for access to such natives to such landing places: Provided, That any such reserve or grant for use for landings, wharves, or landing places which are no longer being used may upon proper evidence of nonuse be revoked and abrogated and conveyances under this Act made free and clear thereof.

Approved August 3, 1955.

Public Law 214

AN ACT

To authorize an investigation and report on the advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to make an investigation and report thereon to the Congress within one year following the appropriation of funds to the Department of the Interior for the purposes of this Act, with respect to the advisability of establishing a national monument in Brooklyn, New York, in honor of two hundred and fifty-six Maryland heroes who fell in combat during the Battle of Brooklyn on the 27th day of August 1776. The report to the Congress shall include information regarding the following:

(1) National historical importance of such a memorial;
(2) Nature of burial site, identity of exact site of burial, size and present-day conditions of site, including improvements thereon;
(3) Complete cost for the establishment of such memorial;
(4) Cost of maintenance of such a memorial and amount thereof that will be paid for by the city of New York and/or the State of New York; and
(5) Recommendations.

Approved August 3, 1955.

Public Law 215

AN ACT

To provide for the management and disposition of certain public domain lands in the State of Oklahoma.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to provide, in accordance with the terms of this Act, for the management and disposition of any interest of the United States in those lands which were reconveyed to the United States by deeds of conveyance executed on November 29, 1950, by the principal chief of the Choctaw Nation and the governor of the Chickasaw Nation, or which have been, or may be, reconveyed to the United States by any further and supplemental conveyances made under the authority of the Interior Department Appropriation Act of June 28, 1944 (58 Stat. 463, 483), the joint resolution of June 24, 1948 (62 Stat. 596), and the First Deficiency Appropriation Act of May 24, 1949 (63 Stat. 76, 84).

Sec. 2. (a) The Secretary of the Interior, in order to facilitate the administration and management of the lands, to remove any clouds on the titles of any persons to interests in such lands, or to establish definite boundaries for such lands, may (1) sell any tract of the lands at public sale to the highest responsible bidder, or at private sale; or
(2) relinquish any tract of such lands, with or without compensation, to any person having a legal or equitable interest therein. In passing upon a proposed disposition of any tract of land under this subsection, the Secretary shall take into account the uses to which the tract involved is most suited and whether it may be better utilized in private ownership.

(b) In selling any tract under subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary shall make such provision as he may deem appropriate to give a preference right to any occupant of the tract who has, or whose predecessors in interest have, lawfully and continuously occupied the tract for home, business, or school purposes since April 30, 1949, or earlier. The Secretary shall give any occupant who is lawfully in possession of a tract at the time of its offer for sale, an appropriate period within which such occupant may remove improvements constructed by him or by his predecessors in interest, or may elect to receive compensation for such improvements from the successful purchaser of the tract in an amount equal to the appraised value of the improvements as determined by the Secretary.

(c) In disposing of an interest in any tract under this Act, the Secretary may also give a preference right, when he deems it appropriate, to any owner of an interest in any land adjoining the tract to be disposed.

Sec. 3. (a) The Secretary may sell or lease any tract under the provisions of the Act of June 4, 1954 (68 Stat. 173; 43 U.S.C., sec. 869, and the following), to the State of Oklahoma or any other agency or organization qualified under that Act.

(b) Upon the filing of an application by an appropriate local governing body within two years after the first issuance of regulations under this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may relinquish or convey to such body, without compensation, the surface rights to any tract of the lands which, prior to the transfer of title to the United States, was set apart for streets, alleys, or other public purposes, even though not legally dedicated to such purposes.

Sec. 4. (a) The Secretary of the Interior shall issue quitclaim deeds for any lands disposed of under section 2 or section 3 (b) of this Act. The Secretary shall fix through appraisal the minimum price to be paid for lands that are offered for sale under subsection (a) (1) of section 2. If any lands are relinquished under subsection (a) (2) of section 2, without compensation, the Secretary shall require the grantee to pay a service charge of not less than $10.

(b) Any deed for lands disposed of under section 2 of this Act shall contain a reservation to the United States of all mineral deposits, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same under applicable provisions of law. Any deed for lands disposed of under this Act shall contain any provision which the Secretary determines is necessary in order to protect the rights of the holders of existing interests in the lands, or to permit access to any of the lands in which the Federal Government retains an interest.

(c) If a survey is necessary to describe properly any lands that are to be disposed of under this Act, the Secretary shall require the proposed grantee to pay the proportionate cost of such survey.

Sec. 5. The Secretary of the Interior may issue easements, leases, or permits for the development and use of nonmineral resources of the lands or may sell such resources.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of the Interior may accept contributions or donations of money, services, and property to further the provisions of this Act. Moneys received under this section shall be covered into the Treasury and are hereby appropriated and made available until
expended, as the Secretary may direct, for payment of expenses incident to the function toward the administration of which the contributions were made and for refunds to contributors of amounts contributed by them in excess of their appropriate share of such expenses, as determined by the Secretary.

Sec. 7. The Secretary of the Interior may issue such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this Act, including regulations providing for the protection of the surface and other nonmineral values of lands disposed of under this Act whenever any mineral rights reserved to the United States are exercised by it or under its authority.

Sec. 8. All moneys realized under the provisions of this Act, except moneys received under the provisions of section 6, shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

Approved August 3, 1955.

Public Law 216

AN ACT

To extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for two years.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (a) of section 102 of the Renegotiation Act of 1951 (50 U. S. C., App., sec. 1212 (a)) is hereby amended by striking out "December 31, 1954" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31, 1956".

Sec. 2. (a) Subsection (d) of section 102 of the Renegotiation Act of 1951 (50 U. S. C., App., sec. 1212 (d)) is hereby amended by inserting after "title" each place it appears "or would be subject to this title except for the provisions of section 106 (a) (8)".

(b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply to contracts with the Departments and subcontracts only to the extent of the amounts received or accrued by a contractor or subcontractor after December 31, 1953.

Sec. 3. (a) Section 106 (a) (8) of such Act (50 U. S. C., App., sec. 1216 (a) (8)) is hereby amended as follows:

1. By inserting after "a standard commercial article" in the first sentence thereof "or a standard commercial service";
2. By inserting after "such article" each place it appears in the first and second sentences thereof "or such service";
3. By striking out "and" at the end of subparagraph (C);
4. By redesignating subparagraph (D) to be subparagraph (G);
and
5. By inserting after subparagraph (C) the following:

"(D) the term 'service' means any processing or other operation performed by chemical, electrical, physical, or mechanical methods directly on materials owned by another person;

"(E) the term 'standard commercial service' means a service which is customarily performed by more than two persons for general civilian industrial or commercial requirements, or is reasonably comparable with a service so performed;

"(F) the term 'reasonably comparable' means of the same or a similar kind, performed with the same or similar materials, and having the same or a similar result, without necessarily involving identical operations; and"

(b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply to contracts with the Departments and subcontracts only to the extent of
the amounts received or accrued by a contractor or subcontractor after December 31, 1953.

Sec. 4. (a) Section 106 (a) of such Act (50 U. S. C., App., sec. 1216 (a)) is hereby amended—

(1) by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (8) and inserting in lieu thereof: "or"; and

(2) by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph as follows:

"(9) any contract, awarded as a result of competitive bidding, for the construction of any building, structure, improvement, or facility, other than a contract for the construction of housing financed with a mortgage or mortgages insured under the provisions of title VIII of the National Housing Act, as now or hereafter amended."

(b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply only to contracts with the Departments made after December 31, 1954.

Sec. 5. (a) Section 106 (c) (2) of such Act (50 U. S. C., App., sec. 1216 (c) (2)) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(2) DEFINITIONS.—For the purpose of this subsection, the term 'durable productive equipment' means machinery, tools, or other productive equipment, which has an average useful life of more than five years."

(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply only with respect to fiscal years (as defined in section 103 (h) of the Renegotiation Act of 1951) ending on or after June 30, 1953.

Sec. 6. (a) The Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, or any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, is hereby authorized and directed to make a complete study in order to determine—

(1) whether there is any necessity of extending the Renegotiation Act of 1951 beyond December 31, 1956; and

(2) if any such further extension is found necessary, the extent to which renegotiation of Government contracts should apply after such date.

(b) The Joint Committee shall, not later than May 31, 1956, report to the Senate and the House of Representatives the results of the study conducted pursuant to this section, together with such recommendations as it deems necessary or desirable.

(c) For the purpose of making the study and report required by this section, the Joint Committee, and the Chief of Staff of the Joint Committee, may exercise any of the powers conferred upon the Joint Committee and the Chief of Staff of the Joint Committee by sections 8021 and 8023 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. The provisions of section 8023 (b) of such Code shall apply to requests made under the authority of this subsection to the same extent as in the case of other requests made under the authority of section 8023 (a) of such Code.

Approved August 3, 1955.

Public Law 217

Chapter 500

Providing for the conveyance of the Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Housing and Home Finance Administrator is authorized and directed to sell and convey all right, title, and interest of the United States (including any off-site...
easements) at fair market value, as determined by him on the basis of an appraisal made by an independent real estate expert selected by him, in and to War Housing Project MASS-19051, known as Old Colony project, containing eight hundred and seventy-three dwelling units and nondwelling facilities, on approximately eighteen acres of land in Boston, Massachusetts, to the Boston Housing Authority, for use as a relocation project under applicable local law. The sale pursuant to this Act shall be on such terms and conditions as the Administrator shall determine, and the amount received for each project shall be reported by the Administrator to the Banking and Currency Committee of the Senate and the Banking and Currency Committee of the House of Representatives: Provided, That full payment to the United States shall be required within a period of not to exceed thirty years with interest on the unpaid balance not to exceed 5 per centum per annum: Provided further, That the provisions of this Act shall be effective only if the sale is consummated within six months after the time of approval of this Act: And provided further, That the Administrator may extend the time for the consummation of the sale for such additional period or periods of time as he may deem advisable.

Approved August 3, 1955.

Public Law 218

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation, flood control, and for other purposes", approved September 3, 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 203, title II, of Public Law 780, Eighty-third Congress, be amended by adding thereto the subtitle, "RED RIVER BASIN"

and the following wording under that subtitle:

"That the existing flood-control project for Red River below Denison Dam be modified to provide for improvements substantially in accordance with the construction plans recommended in the report of the Chief of Engineers in House Document Numbered 488, Eighty-third Congress: Provided, That local interests shall contribute toward the costs of construction, maintenance, and operation of Cooper Reservoir the amounts allocated to water supply; and shall, with respect to other features of the modified project, give assurances satisfactory to the Secretary of the Army that they will—

"(a) provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, and rights-of-way, and make alterations and relocations of highways and related facilities, and utilities except railroads, necessary for the construction;

"(b) hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction; and

"(c) maintain and operate all works after completion, and preserve channel capacities by preventing encroachment, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army."

Sec. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved August 3, 1955.
AN ACT

Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply supplemental appropriations (this Act may be cited as the “Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1956”) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes, namely:

CHAPTER I

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Salaries and Expenses

Not to exceed $25,000 of funds appropriated under this head in the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act, 1956, for research, shall be available for construction of a building at the United States Range Livestock Experiment Station, Miles City, Montana.

Animal Disease Laboratory Facilities

For preparation of plans and specifications for construction of facilities for animal disease research and control, and for surveys to determine the cost of acquiring and altering facilities which may be made suitable for such work, including employment pursuant to the second sentence of section 706 (a) of the Organic Act of 1944 (5 U. S. C. 574), as amended by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $250,000, to remain available until expended.

Commodity Exchange Authority

For an additional amount for “Commodity Exchange Authority”, $33,000.

Farmers’ Home Administration

Loan Authorizations

For an additional amount for “Loan authorizations”, for loans under title II of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, $15,000,000: Provided, That not to exceed the foregoing amount shall be borrowed in one account from the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the provisions set forth under this head in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1952.

Salaries and Expenses

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $350,000.

Office of the General Counsel

For an additional amount for “Office of the General Counsel”, $40,000.
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AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM SERVICE

Not to exceed $5,000,000 of the appropriation under the head “Agricultural Conservation Program Service”, in the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration Appropriation Act, 1955, shall be available for the purposes specified under the head “Agricultural conservation program”, in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955, and shall be merged with the amount provided therein.

COMMODOITY CREDIT CORPORATION

For the purpose of assisting the Commodity Credit Corporation in selling its agricultural commodities, the position of sales manager is hereby authorized in grade 17 of the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, in accordance with the standards and procedures of that Act.

CHAPTER II

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION

OPERATION AND REGULATION

For an additional amount for “Operation and regulation”, $600,000.

CONSTRUCTION, WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT

For an additional amount for “Construction, Washington National Airport”, including construction, alterations, and repairs, $2,600,000, to remain available until expended.

COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $159,000.

MARITIME ACTIVITIES

MARITIME TRAINING

For an additional amount for “Maritime training”, $100,000; and the limitation under this head in the Department of Commerce Appropriation Act, 1956, on the amount available for transfer to applicable appropriations of the Public Health Service for services rendered to the Maritime Administration is increased by $5,000.

REPAIR OF RESERVE FLEET VESSELS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

The limitation under this head in the Department of Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1956, on the amount which may be advanced to the appropriation, “Salaries and expenses, maritime activities,” for administrative expenses is increased from “$150,000” to “$225,000”.

68 Stat. 311.
Ante, p. 29.

Ante, p. 172.

Ante, p. 230.

Ante, p. 230.
For an additional amount for "Inter-American Highway", as authorized by the Act of July 1, 1955 (Public Law 129), $37,730,000, to remain available until expended.

WEATHER BUREAU

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $500,000; and the limitation under this head in the Department of Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1956, on the amount available for improvement and operation of hurricane, severe storm, and tornado warning services, including research and construction of related facilities, is increased from "$4,250,000" to "$4,750,000".

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of the Small Business Administration, including expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation and hire of passenger motor vehicles, $2,000,000; and in addition there may be transferred to this appropriation not to exceed $2,865,000 from the Revolving Fund, Small Business Administration, and not to exceed $535,000 from the fund for Liquidation of Reconstruction Finance Corporation Disaster Loans, Small Business Administration, for administrative expenses in connection with activities financed under said funds: Provided, That the amount authorized for transfer from the Revolving Fund, Small Business Administration, may be increased, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, by such amount as may be required to finance administrative expenses incurred in the making of disaster loans.

REVOLVING FUND

For additional capital for the Revolving Fund authorized by the Small Business Act of 1953, as amended, to be available without fiscal year limitation, $25,000,000: Provided, That this appropriation and the appropriation to the Small Business Administration for "Salaries and expenses", for the fiscal year 1956, shall be available only upon the enactment into law of S. 2127, Eighty-fourth Congress, first session, or similar legislation, continuing the Small Business Administration during the fiscal year 1956.

UNITED STATES TARIFF COMMISSION

That part of title III of Public Law 121, Eighty-fourth Congress, approved June 30, 1955, which pertains to the appropriation for the Tariff Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, is hereby amended by changing the period at the end thereof to a colon and adding the following additional proviso: "And provided further, That that part of the foregoing appropriation which is for expenses of travel shall be available, when specifically authorized by the Chairman of the Tariff Commission, for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the functions and activities of the said Commission".
CHAPTER III

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

CONSTRUCTION

For the preparation of detail plans and specifications of a Central Intelligence Agency headquarters installation and for other purposes as authorized by title IV of the Act of July 15, 1955 (Public Law 161), to remain available until expended, $5,500,000.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—MILITARY FUNCTIONS

INTERSERVICE ACTIVITIES

ACCESS ROADS

For advances to the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce, for the purposes of section 6 of the Defense Highway Act of 1941 (55 Stat. 765), as amended, and section 12 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 785), as amended, when projects authorized therein are certified as important to the national defense by the Secretary of Defense, $2,250,000, to remain available until expended.

LORAN STATIONS

For construction of additional Loran Stations by the Coast Guard, to remain available until expended, $4,200,000, which shall be transferred to the appropriation, "Acquisition, construction, and improvements", Coast Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, and facilities, for the Army, as authorized by the Act of September 28, 1951 (Public Law 155), the Act of July 14, 1952 (Public Law 534), the Act of August 7, 1953 (Public Law 200), the Act of July 27, 1954 (Public Law 534), the Act of September 1, 1954 (Public Law 765), and the Act of July 15, 1955 (Public Law 161), without regard to sections 1136 and 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, including hire of passenger motor vehicles; to remain available until expended, $485,077,000, to be derived by transfer from the appropriation for "Procurement and production, Army".

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY

For an additional amount for acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, naval installations, and facilities for the Navy, as authorized by the Act of September 28, 1951 (Public Law 155), the Act of July 14, 1952 (Public Law 534), the Act of August 7, 1953 (Public Law 200), the Act of July 27, 1954 (Public Law 534), the Act of September 1, 1954 (Public Law 765), and the Act of July 15, 1955 (Public Law 161), without regard to sections 1136 and 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended; including hire of passenger motor vehicles; furniture for public quarters; and
personnel in the Bureau of Yards and Docks and other personal services necessary for the purposes of this appropriation; $442,628,300, to remain available until expended.

AUDITED CLAIMS

Applicable current appropriations of the Department of the Navy shall be available for the payment of claims certified by the Comptroller General to be otherwise due, in the amounts stated below, from the following appropriations:

"Maintenance, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts", fiscal year 1943, $171,458;
"Pay, subsistence, and transportation, Navy", fiscal year 1943, $3,344,424;
"Maintenance, Bureau of Ships", fiscal year 1946, $5,888,42; and
"Transportation of things, Navy", fiscal year 1945, $1,959,86.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

For an additional amount for acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, and facilities for the Air Force as authorized by the Act of September 11, 1950 (Public Law 789), the Act of September 28, 1951 (Public Law 155), the Act of August 7, 1953 (Public Law 209), the Act of April 1, 1954 (Public Law 325), the Act of July 27, 1954 (Public Law 534), the Act of September 1, 1954 (Public Law 765), and of the Act of July 15, 1955 (Public Law 161), without regard to sections 1136 and 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended; including hire of passenger motor vehicles, including research and development facilities at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio; to remain available until expended, $994,291,000 of which $255,000,000 shall be derived by transfer from the appropriation "Procurement and production, Army": Provided. That not to exceed $350,000 of this appropriation shall be used for the purposes authorized by section 303 of the Act of July 15, 1955 (Public Law 161).

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 302. Funds appropriated to the military departments for military public works in prior years are hereby made available for military public works authorized for each such department by the Act of July 15, 1955 (Public Law 161).

Sec. 303. None of the funds appropriated in this chapter shall be expended for payments under a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract for work where cost estimates exceed $25,000 to be performed within the continental United States without the specific approval in writing of the Secretary of Defense setting forth the reasons therefor.

Sec. 304. None of the funds appropriated in this chapter shall be expended for additional costs involved in expediting construction, unless the Secretary of Defense certifies such costs to be necessary to protect the national interest and establishes a reasonable completion date for each such project, taking into consideration the urgency of the requirement, the type and location of the project, the climatic and seasonal conditions affecting the construction and the application of economical construction practices.

Sec. 305. None of the funds appropriated in this chapter shall be used for the construction, replacement, or reactivation of any bakery,
laundry, or dry-cleaning facility in the United States, its Territories or possessions, as to which the Secretary of Defense does not certify, in writing, giving his reasons therefor, that the services to be furnished by such facilities are not obtainable from commercial sources at reasonable rates.

Sec. 306. Funds appropriated to the military departments for construction are hereby made available for advance planning, construction design and architectural services, as authorized by section 504 of the Act of September 28, 1951 (Public Law 155).

CHAPTER IV

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL FUNCTIONS

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

GOVERNMENT AND RELIEF IN OCCUPIED AREAS

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary to meet the responsibilities and obligations of the United States in connection with the government or occupation of the Ryukyu Islands, including, subject to such authorizations and limitations as may be prescribed by the head of the department or agency concerned, tuition, travel expenses, and fees incident to instruction in the United States or elsewhere of such persons as may be required to carry out the provisions of this appropriation; travel expenses and transportation; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not in excess of $50 per diem for individuals not to exceed ten in number; translation rights, photographic work, education exhibits, and dissemination of information, including preview and review expenses incident thereto; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; repair and maintenance of buildings, utilities, facilities, and appurtenances; and such supplies, commodities, and equipment as may be essential to carry out the purposes of this appropriation; $3,000,000, of which not to exceed $1,210,000 shall be available for administrative and information and education expenses: Provided, That the general provisions of the Appropriation Act for the current fiscal year for the military functions of the Department of the Army shall apply to expenditures made by that Department from this appropriation: Provided further, That expenditures from this appropriation may be made, when necessary to carry out its purposes, from funds appropriated hereunder and unexpended at the time of the termination of occupation by the United States, of any area for which such funds are made available, may be expended by the President for the procurement of such commodities and technical services, and commodities procured from funds herein or heretofore appropriated for government and relief in occupied areas and not delivered to such an area prior to the time of the termination of occupation, may be
utilized by the President, as may be necessary to assist in the maintenance of the political and economic stability of such areas: Provided further, That before any such assistance is made available, an agreement shall be entered into between the United States and the recognized government or authority with respect to such area containing such undertakings by such government or authority as the President may determine to be necessary in order to assure the efficient use of such assistance in furtherance of such purposes: Provided further, That such agreement shall, when applicable, include requirements and undertakings corresponding to the requirements and undertakings specified in section 303 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954: Provided further, That funds appropriated hereunder may be used, insofar as practicable, and under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the head of the department or agency concerned to pay ocean transportation charges from United States ports, including territorial ports, to ports in the Ryukyus for the movement of supplies donated to, or purchased by, United States voluntary nonprofit relief agencies registered with and recommended by the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid or of relief packages consigned to individuals residing in such areas: Provided further, That under the rules and regulations to be prescribed, the head of the department or agency concerned shall fix and pay a uniform rate per pound for the ocean transportation of all relief packages of food or other general classification of commodities shipped to the Ryukyus regardless of methods of shipment and higher rates charged by particular agencies of transportation, but this proviso shall not apply to shipments made by individuals to individuals: Provided further, That the President may transfer to any other department or agency any function or functions provided for under this appropriation, and there shall be transferred to any such department or agency without reimbursement and without regard to the appropriation from which procured, such property as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget shall determine to relate primarily to any function or functions so transferred.

CORPORATION

The following corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to such corporation, and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the fiscal year 1956 for such corporation, except as hereinafter provided:

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF WASHINGTON

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE LIMITATION

Not to exceed $1,500,000 (to be computed on an accrual basis) of the funds of the Export-Import Bank of Washington shall be available during the current fiscal year for all administrative expenses of the bank, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a) at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals: Provided, That necessary expenses (including special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services, and fees or dues to international organizations of credit institutions engaged in financing foreign trade) in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of any real or personal property belonging to the bank

22 USC 1893.
or in which it has an interest, including expenses of collections of pledged collateral, or the investigation or appraisal of any property in respect to which an application for a loan has been made, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof.

CHAPTER V
GENERAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
Office of Defense Mobilization

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", for carrying out the provisions of section 7 of the Act of June 21, 1955 (Public Law 86), $50,000.

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

For expenses necessary to enable the Commission to settle certain claims as authorized by the Act of March 10, 1950, as amended (22 U. S. C. 1821–1827), including expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the purpose of this appropriation; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals; and employment of aliens; $400,000: Provided, That this paragraph shall be effective only upon enactment into law of H. R. 6382, Eighty-fourth Congress, first session.

PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON VETERANS' PENSIONS

For expenses necessary for a special study of the veterans' compensation and pensions program, to be expended as the President may direct, $300,000.

Sec. 502. Appropriations contained in title I of the General Government Matters Appropriation Act, 1956, available for expenses of travel shall be available, when specifically authorized by the head of the activity or establishment concerned, for expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the function or activity for which the appropriation concerned is made.

CHAPTER VI
INDEPENDENT OFFICES

FEDERAL CIVIL DEFENSE ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS

For an additional amount for "Operations", $825,000.

SURVEYS, PLANS, AND RESEARCH

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for studies and research to develop measures and plans for evacuation, shelter, and the protection of life and property, as authorized by section 201 (d)
of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), $10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, CIVIL DEFENSE FUNCTIONS OF FEDERAL AGENCIES

For necessary expenses to enable departments and agencies to discharge civil defense responsibilities delegated under the authority of section 201 (b) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, including expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation, and the purchase of materials and supplies necessary thereto, $1,500,000.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

SITES AND PLANNING, PURCHASE CONTRACT, AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS PROJECTS

For expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of the Public Buildings Purchase Contract Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 518), $15,000,000, to remain available until expended and to be in addition to and available for the same purposes as any unobligated balances which have been or may be made available, by any law enacted during the first session of the Eighty-fourth Congress, for carrying out the purposes of said Act: Provided, That any such unobligated balances may be consolidated with this appropriation.

REPAIR, IMPROVEMENT, AND EQUIPMENT OF FEDERALLY OWNED BUILDINGS OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

For an additional amount for "Repair, improvement, and equipment of federally owned buildings outside the District of Columbia", $1,150,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the limitation under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1956, on the amount available for expenses of travel, is increased from "$145,000" to "$155,000".

OPERATING EXPENSES, FEDERAL SUPPLY SERVICE

For an additional amount for "Operating expenses, Federal Supply Service", $200,000; and the limitation under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1956, on the amount available for travel expenses is increased by $1,000.

EXPENSES, GENERAL SUPPLY FUND

For an additional amount for "Expenses, general supply fund", $1,000,000, of which $800,000 shall be for nonrecurring moving and space costs in connection with the relocation of warehouse management and other employees into office space in regional warehouses; and the limitation under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1956, on the amount available for expenses of travel is increased by $22,500.

OPERATING EXPENSES, NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

For an additional amount for "Operating expenses, National Archives and Records Service", $122,500.
The appropriation granted under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1956, shall be available for necessary expenses for transportation and handling, within the United States (including charges at United States ports), storage, security, and maintenance of strategic and critical materials acquired for the supplemental stockpile pursuant to section 104 (b) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U. S. C. 1704 (b)).

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY

PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

For an additional amount, fiscal year 1955, for “Annual contributions”, $4,100,000.

NATIONAL SECURITY TRAINING COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Security Training Commission, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates for individuals not in excess of $50 per diem, and contracts with temporary or part-time employees may be renewed annually; and expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; $40,000.

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Not to exceed $180,000 of the amount made available under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1956, for registration, classification, and induction activities of local boards, shall be available during the current fiscal year for expenses of the National Advisory Committee on the Selection of Physicians, Dentists, and Allied Specialists, including not to exceed $30,000 for expenses of travel.

CHAPTER VII

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

For an additional amount for “Management of lands and resources”, $250,000.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

PAYMENT TO CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE OF INDIANS

For deposit in the United States Treasury to the credit of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of Indians for rehabilitation and relocation in accordance with the provisions of section V of the Act of September 3, 1954 (Public Law 776), $5,160,000.
TRIBAL FUNDS

For an additional amount for "Tribal funds", $200,000, from funds to the credit of the Indians of California as defined and enrolled under the Act of May 18, 1928 (45 Stat. 602), as amended, the successors in interest to claims against the United States as therein provided, for payment of expenses, other than attorney fees, herefore or hereafter incurred by attorneys prosecuting the claims of the Indians of California before the Indian Claims Commission under contracts approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

BUREAU OF MINES

CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

For an additional amount for "Conservation and development of mineral resources", $1,200,000.

DRAINAGE OF ANTHRACITE MINES

For contributions as authorized by the Act "To provide for the conservation of anthracite coal resources through measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage, and for other purposes" (Public Law 162, approved July 15, 1955), $8,500,000, to remain available until expended.

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

INVESTIGATIONS OF RESOURCES

For an additional amount for "Investigations of resources", $730,000.

CONSTRUCTION

For an additional amount for "Construction", $750,000, of which $455,000 shall be available for the construction of fish-cultural facilities below Norfork Dam, Arkansas, to remain available until expended.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE—SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", for national forest protection and management, $300,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall be effective only upon enactment into law of H.R. 5891, Eighty-fourth Congress.

ALEXANDER HAMILTON BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

For an additional amount for "Alexander Hamilton Bicentennial Commission", $120,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That this appropriation shall become effective only upon the enactment into law of S. 1395.

BOSTON NATIONAL HISTORIC SITES COMMISSION

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act of June 16, 1955 (69 Stat. 136, 137, 138), $40,000, to remain available until June 30, 1957.
JOHN MARSHALL BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMISSION


SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND TECHNOLOGY

For necessary expenses of construction of a building for the Museum of History and Technology, as authorized by the Act of June 28, 1955 (Public Law 106), including the preparation of plans and specifications, not to exceed $75,000 for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not to exceed $100 per diem for individuals, and incidental expenses of the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution and of the Joint Congressional Committee established by said Act, $2,288,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the expenses of the Joint Congressional Committee shall be paid upon certification of the Chairman of said Committee.

SOO LOCKS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMISSION

Funds appropriated for the Soo Locks Centennial Celebration Commission in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1955 (Public Law 24, Eighty-fourth Congress), shall be available for expenses of official entertainment.

CHAPTER VIII

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $250,000.

BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, MEXICAN FARM LABOR PROGRAM

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses, Mexican farm labor program", $650,000: Provided, That this amount shall be available only upon enactment into law of H. R. 3822, Eighty-fourth Congress, or similar legislation, extending authority for the importation of Mexican agricultural workers.

WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $1,500,000: Provided, That this amount and the amount appropriated in this Act for "Salaries and expenses, Office of the Solicitor", shall be available only upon enactment into law of S. 2168, Eighty-fourth Congress, or similar legislation, increasing the minimum wage.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", including hire of motor vehicles, $300,000, to be available for enforcement of food and drug laws relating to poliomyelitis vaccine.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", fiscal year 1955, for payment of retroactive pay increases granted by administrative action, comparable to those authorized by the Federal Employees Salary Increase Act of 1955 (69 Stat. 172), $5,400, to be derived by transfer from the appropriation "Grants to States for public assistance", Social Security Administration, fiscal year 1955.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", fiscal year 1955, for payment of retroactive pay increases granted by administrative action, comparable to those authorized by the Federal Employees Salary Increase Act of 1955 (69 Stat. 172), $76,000, to be derived by transfer from the appropriation "Grants to States for public assistance", Social Security Administration, fiscal year 1955.

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses, White House Conference on Education", $220,000.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

ASSISTANCE TO STATES, GENERAL

For an additional amount for "Assistance to States, general", $4,500,000, to be available only for grants to States for planning and operating a program for distribution and use of poliomyelitis vaccine.

SANITARY ENGINEERING ACTIVITIES

For an additional amount for "Sanitary engineering activities", $1,190,000, to remain available only until June 30, 1956, for the purposes of the Act of July 14, 1955 (Public Law 159).

MENTAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES

For an additional amount for "Mental health activities", $250,000.

GRANTS TO STATES FOR POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

For grants to States for carrying out the purposes of the Poliomyelitis Vaccination Assistance Act of 1955, $30,000,000: Provided,
That this appropriation shall become effective only upon the enactment into law of H. R. 7126 or S. 2501, Eighty-fourth Congress.

CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING FACILITIES FOR ANIMALS

For construction of facilities for housing animals for the National Institutes of Health, including equipment and preparation of plans and specifications, $600,000.

CHAPTER IX
PUBLIC WORKS

Atomic Energy Commission

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

For expenses of the Commission in connection with the purchase and construction of plant and the acquisition of equipment and other expenses incidental thereto necessary in carrying out the purposes of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion; purchase of aircraft; purchase (not to exceed four hundred and seventy-nine for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; $256,327,000, to remain available until expended and $2,900,000 which shall be available for the construction of a community hospital at Oak Ridge, Tennessee: Provided, That, in addition to transfers otherwise authorized by law, $90,000,000 of unexpended balances available under this head shall be transferred to the appropriation "Operating Expenses, Atomic Energy Commission."

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL FUNCTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL

For an additional amount for "Construction, general", $5,551,014.

CHAPTER X

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses", $1,970,000, of which $233,000 shall be available for rents in the District of Columbia.

INTERNATIONAL CONTINGENCIES

For an additional amount for "International contingencies", $1,000,000.

EXTENSION AND REMODELING, STATE DEPARTMENT BUILDING

For expenses necessary for planning the extension and remodeling, under the supervision of the General Services Administration, of the
State Department Building, Washington, District of Columbia, to remain available until expended, $1,000,000, to be transferred to the General Services Administration.

PAYMENT TO THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA

After the exchange of ratifications of the Treaty of Mutual Understanding and Cooperation, signed January 25, 1955, by the United States of America and the Republic of Panama (Senate Executive E, Eighty-fourth Congress, first session; ratification advised by the Senate), the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be paid annually (in lieu of the annual payment provided under this head in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1954), out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $1,930,000 as a payment to the Republic of Panama in accordance with article I thereof.

INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION, UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $75,000.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LEGAL ACTIVITIES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS AND MARSHALS

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses, United States attorneys and marshals”, $1,160,000.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, CLAIMS OF PERSONS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY


THE JUDICIARY

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

SALARIES

For an additional amount for “Salaries”, $90,000.

COURT OF CUSTOMS AND PATENT APPEALS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $40,000.

CUSTOMS COURT

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $67,500.
COURT OF CLAIMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES
For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $40,000.

COURTS OF APPEALS, DISTRICT COURTS, AND OTHER JUDICIAL SERVICES

SALARIES OF JUDGES
For an additional amount for “Salaries of judges”, $2,678,000.

SALARIES OF REFEREES
For an additional amount for “Salaries of referees”, $70,000, to be derived from the referees’ salary fund established in pursuance to the Act of June 28, 1946, as amended (11 U.S.C. 68).

UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES
For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $336,630.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

EMERGENCY FUND FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
For expenses necessary to enable the President to take such measures as he deems appropriate to meet extraordinary or unusual circumstances arising in the international affairs of the Government, $5,000,000, to remain available until expended, for use in the President’s discretion and without regard to such provisions of law as he may specify: Provided, That the President shall transmit to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, not less often than quarterly, a full report of expenditures under this appropriation.

CHAPTER XI

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES
For an additional amount for “Salaries and expenses”, $185,000.

COAST GUARD

OPERATING EXPENSES
For an additional amount for “Operating expenses”, $7,000,000.

RETIRED PAY
For an additional amount for “Retired pay”, $2,600,000.

RESERVE TRAINING
For an additional amount for “Reserve training”, $228,000.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
Office of First Assistant Postmaster General

CITY DELIVERY CARRIERS

For an additional amount, fiscal year 1947, for "City delivery carriers", $10,000, to be derived by transfer from the appropriation "Railway Mail Service", fiscal year 1947.

CORPORATION

FEDERAL FACILITIES CORPORATION

The amount of the Corporation's funds made available under this head in title I of the Treasury-Post Office Appropriation Act, 1956, for administrative expenses of the Corporation, is increased from $800,000 to $975,000.

CHAPTER XII

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Operating Expenses

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

For an additional amount for "Department of General Administration", $190,000: Provided, That for the purpose of assessing and reassessing real property in the District of Columbia $85,000 of this appropriation shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates for individuals not in excess of $100 per diem.

COURTS

For an additional amount, fiscal year 1954, for "United States courts", $132,812.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

For an additional amount, fiscal year 1954, for "Medical charities", $43,120.
pensation or salary shall be paid in the case of a deceased officer or employee, or of a retired officer or employee, for services rendered after the effective date of the increase.

SALARY INCREASES, POLICEMEN AND FIREMEN

The provisions of title II of Public Law 123, approved June 30, 1955, shall apply also to costs in the fiscal year 1955 of pay increases granted by or pursuant to Public Law , Eighty-fourth Congress: Provided, That this paragraph shall be effective only upon enactment into law of either S. 2428 or H. R. 7159, or similar legislation.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

PUBLIC BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

The appropriation for “Capital outlay, public building construction”, contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1956, shall be available for preparation of plans and specifications for a warehouse at the Children’s Center and the erection of the following structures, including the treatment of grounds: Branch library building in Woodridge, new Metropolitan Police Women’s Bureau Building (including the installation of telephones, telephone switchboard, and teletypewriter system), and new fire engine house in the vicinity of Twenty-fourth and Irving Streets Southeast (including instruments for receiving alarms and connecting said house to the fire alarm system).

AUDITED CLAIMS

For an additional amount for the payment of claims, certified to be due by the accounting officers of the District of Columbia, under appropriations the balances of which have been exhausted or credited to the general fund of the District of Columbia as provided by law (D. C. Code, title 47, sec. 130a), being for the service of the fiscal year 1953 and prior fiscal years, as set forth in House Document Numbered 199 (Eighty-fourth Congress), $252,036, together with such further sums as may be necessary to pay the interest on audited claims for refunds at not exceeding 4 per centum per annum as provided by law (D. C. Code, title 47, sec. 2413d).

DIVISION OF EXPENSES

The sums appropriated in this Act for the District of Columbia shall, unless otherwise specifically provided for, be paid out of the general fund of the District of Columbia, as defined in the District of Columbia Appropriation Acts for the fiscal years involved.

CHAPTER XIII

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

SENATE

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

Miscellaneous items: For an additional amount for Miscellaneous items, exclusive of labor, fiscal year 1955, $155,885.
CHAPTER XIV

CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES, AUDITED CLAIMS, AND JUDGMENTS

For payment of claims for damages as settled and determined by departments and agencies in accord with law, audited claims certified to be due by the General Accounting Office, and judgments rendered against the United States by United States district courts and the United States Court of Claims, as set forth in Senate Document Numbered 75 and House Document Numbered 184, Eighty-fourth Congress, $8,117,523, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay interest (as and when specified in such judgments or in certain of the settlements of the General Accounting Office or provided by law) and such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in foreign currency: Provided, That no judgment herein appropriated for shall be paid until it shall have become final and conclusive against the United States by failure of the parties to appeal or otherwise: Provided further, That, unless otherwise specifically required by law or by the judgment, payment of interest wherever appropriated for herein shall not continue for more than thirty days after the date of approval of this Act.

CHAPTER XV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

UNIFORM ALLOWANCES

SEC. 1501. The following appropriations and funds available to the departments and agencies, for the fiscal year 1956, shall be available for uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 1, 1954, as amended (68 Stat. 1114 and 69 Stat. 49):

Legislative branch:
Architect of the Capitol:
   "Capitol Buildings";
   "Senate Office Buildings";
   "House Office Buildings";
Independent offices:
Civil Service Commission. "Salaries and expenses";
Federal Trade Commission: "Salaries and expenses";
General Accounting Office: "Salaries and expenses";
Interstate Commerce Commission: The appropriation available for the pay of employees entitled to uniforms or allowances therefor under said Act;
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics: "Salaries and expenses";
National Labor Relations Board: "Salaries and expenses";
Securities and Exchange Commission: "Salaries and expenses";
Smithsonian Institution: "Salaries and expenses, National Gallery of Art";
Veterans' Administration:
   "General operating expenses";
   "Medical administration and miscellaneous operating expenses";
   "Maintenance and operation of supply depots";
Department of Agriculture:
   "Office of the Secretary";
Commodity Credit Corporation: "Limitation on administrative expenses";
Department of Commerce:
  Office of the Secretary:
  "Salaries and expenses";
  "Working capital fund";
  Bureau of the Census: "Salaries and expenses";
Civil Aeronautics Administration: "Operation and regulations";
Maritime activities: "Salaries and expenses";
National Bureau of Standards: "Working capital fund";
Department of Health, Education, and Welfare:
  Freedmen's Hospital: "Salaries and expenses";
Public Health Service:
  "Assistance to States, general";
  "Venereal diseases";
  "Tuberculosis";
  "Communicable diseases";
  "Sanitary engineering activities";
  "Disease and sanitation investigations and control, Territory of Alaska";
  "Hospitals and medical care";
  "Foreign quarantine service";
  "Indian health activities";
  "National Institutes of Health, operating expenses";
  "National Cancer Institute";
  "Mental health activities";
  "National Heart Institute";
  "Dental health activities";
  "Arthritis and metabolic disease activities";
  "Microbiology activities";
  "Neurology and blindness activities";
Saint Elizabeths Hospital: "Salaries and expenses";
Social Security Administration: "Salaries and expenses, Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance";
Department of the Interior:
  Office of the Secretary:
  "Salaries and expenses";
  "Working capital fund";
  Bureau of Indian Affairs: "Education and welfare services"; and
Department of Labor:
  Office of the Secretary: "Salaries and expenses".

Sec. 1502. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force, or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an...
organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this or any other Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 220

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the designation of October 22, 1955, as National Olympic Day.

Whereas the XVIth Olympic Games of the modern era will be held in Melbourne, Australia, November 22 to December 8, 1956, with Winter Games to be held at Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy, January 26 to February 5, 1956; and

Whereas these games will afford an opportunity of bringing together young men and women representing more than seventy nations, of many races, creeds, and stations in life and possessing various habits and customs, all bound by the universal appeal of friendly athletic competition, governed by rules of sportsmanship and dedicated to the principle that the important thing is for each and every participant to do his very best to win in a manner that will reflect credit upon himself or herself, and the country represented; and

Whereas the peoples of the world in these trying times require above all else occasions for friendship and understanding, and among the most telling things which influence people of other countries are the acts of individuals and not those of governments; and

Whereas experiences afforded by the Olympic Games make a unique contribution to common understanding and mutual respect among all peoples; and

Whereas previous Olympic Games have proved that competitors and spectators alike have been imbued with ideals of friendship, chivalry, and comradeship and impressed with the fact that accomplishment is reward in itself; and

Whereas the United States Olympic Association is presently engaged in assuring maximum support for the teams representing the United States at Melbourne and Cortina d'Ampezzo; and

Whereas a day set aside by this Nation for a rededication to the amateur ideal could accomplish great good in encouraging good will for these games: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating the 22d of October 1955 as National Olympic Day and urging all citizens of our country to do all in their power to support the XVIth Olympic Games and the Winter Games to be held in 1956, and to insure that the United States will be fully and adequately represented in these games.

Approved August 4, 1955.
Public Law 221

AN ACT

To facilitate the establishment of local self-government at the communities of Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and Richland, Washington, and to provide for the disposal of federally owned properties of such communities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955".

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SEC. 11. DECLARATION OF POLICY.—It is hereby declared to be the policy of the United States of America that Government ownership and management of the communities owned by the Atomic Energy Commission shall be terminated in an expeditious manner which is consistent with and will not impede the accomplishment of the purposes and programs established by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954. To that end, it is desired at each community to—

a. facilitate the establishment of local self-government;

b. provide for the orderly transfer to local entities of municipal functions, municipal installations, and utilities; and

c. provide for the orderly sale to private purchasers of property within those communities with a minimum of dislocation.

SEC. 12. FINDINGS.—The Congress of the United States hereby makes the following findings concerning the communities owned by the Atomic Energy Commission:

a. The continued morale of project-connected persons is essential to the common defense and security of the United States.

b. In issuing rules and regulations required or permitted under this Act for the disposal of the communities and in disposing of the communities in accordance with the provisions of this Act and in accordance with the rules and regulations required or permitted by this Act, the Commission is acting under authority delegated to it by the Congress.

c. Funds of the United States may be provided for the disposal of the communities and for assistance in the operation of the communities thereafter under conditions which will provide for the common defense and promote the general welfare.

SEC. 13. PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this Act to effectuate the policies set forth above by providing for—

a. the maintenance of conditions which will not impede the recruitment and retention of personnel essential to the atomic energy program;

b. the obligation of the United States to contribute to the support of municipal functions in a manner commensurate with—

(1) the fiscal problems peculiar to the communities by reason of their construction as national defense installations, and

(2) the municipal and other burdens imposed on the governmental or other entities at the communities by the United States in its operations at or near the communities;
c. the opportunity for the residents of the communities to assume the obligations and privileges of local self-government; and
d. the encouragement of the construction of new homes at the communities.

CHAPTER 2. DEFINITIONS

SEC. 21. DEFINITIONS.—The intent of Congress in the definitions as given in this section should be construed from the words or phrases used in the definitions. As used in this Act—
b. The term "community" means that area at—
   (1) Oak Ridge, Tennessee, designated on a map on file at the principal office of the Commission, entitled "Minimum Geographic Area, Oak Ridge, Tennessee", bearing the legend "Boundary Line, Minimum Geographic Area, Oak Ridge, Tennessee" and marked "Approved, 21 April 1955, K. D. Nichols, General Manager"; or
c. The term "house" includes the lot on which the house stands.
d. The term "member of a family" means any person who, on the first offering date, resides in the same dwelling unit with one or more of the following relatives (including those having the same relationship through marriage or legal adoption): spouse, father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, brother, sister, son, daughter, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, or first cousin.
e. The term "mortgage" shall include deeds of trust and such other classes of lien as are given to secure advances on, or the unpaid purchase price of real estate under the laws of the State in which the real estate is located.
f. The term "municipal installation" includes, without limitation, schools, hospitals, police and fire protection systems, sewerage and refuse disposal plants, water supply and distribution installations, streets and roads, libraries, parks, playgrounds and recreational means, municipal government buildings, other properties suitable for municipal or comparable local public service purposes, and any fixtures, equipment, or other property appropriate to the operation, maintenance or repair of the foregoing.
g. The term "occupant" means a person who, on the date on which the property in question is first offered for sale, is entitled to residential occupancy of the Government-owned house in question, or of a family dwelling unit in such house, in accordance with a lease or license agreement with the Commission or its property-management contractor.
h. The term "offering date" means the date the property in question is offered for sale.
i. The term "project area" means that area which on the effective date of this Act constitutes the Federal area at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, or Hanford, Washington.
j. The term "project-connected person" means any person who, on the first offering date, is regularly employed at the project area in one of the following capacities:
   (1) An officer or employee of the Commission or any of its contractors or subcontractors, or of the United States or any
agency thereof (including members of the Armed Forces), or of a State or political subdivision or agency thereof;
(2) An officer or employee employed at a school or hospital located in the project area;
(3) A person engaged in or employed in the project area by any professional, commercial, or industrial enterprise occupying premises located in the project area; or
(4) An officer or employee of any church or nonprofit organization occupying premises located in the project area.
k. The term "resident" means any person who, on the date on which the property in question is first offered for sale is either—
(1) an occupant in a residential unit designated for sale at the community, or
(2) a project-connected person who is entitled, in accordance with a lease or similar agreement, to residential occupancy of privately owned rental housing in the community.
l. The term "utility" means any electrical distribution system, any public transportation system, or any public communication system, and any fixtures, equipment, or other property appropriate to the operation, maintenance or repair of the foregoing.

CHAPTER 3. LOTS, APPRAISALS, AND PRICES

SEC. 31. LOTS.—The Commission is authorized to plat each community immediately upon passage of this Act, or immediately upon the inclusion of the community within the provisions of this Act. The Commission may establish lot boundaries, and realine, divide, or enlarge existing tracts as it deems appropriate.

SEC. 32. APPRAISALS.—The Commission shall proceed to secure appraisals of all property at the community which is to be sold pursuant to this Act. The appraisals shall be made by the Federal Housing Commissioner or his designee. The Commission shall reimburse the Federal Housing Commissioner for the cost of such appraisals. Appraisals made under this section shall be the appraisals on which the Federal Housing Commissioner may insure any mortgage or loan under the National Housing Act until such time as he finds that the appraisal values generally in the community no longer represent the fair market values of the properties.

SEC. 33. BASIS OF APPRAISAL:—Except for lots sold pursuant to the provisions of section 57a., the appraised value shall be the current fair market value of the Government's interest in the property.

SEC. 34. POSTING.—Lists showing the appraised value of each parcel of property to be offered for sale to priority purchasers shall, prior to the offering of such property for sale, be made available for public inspection, at reasonable times, at the offices of the Commission at the community.

SEC. 35. SALES PRICES:—
a. In the sale to priority purchasers of properties on which are located Government-owned single or duplex houses, the sales price shall be the appraised value less a deduction of 15 per centum of the appraised value and less the deductions provided by section 36.
b. In all other cases the sales price to priority purchasers shall be the appraised value less the deductions provided by section 36, except that sales made under sections 53 b. and c. shall be made at the prices set forth therein.

SEC. 36. IMPROVEMENTS:—
a. In addition to any other deduction which may be permitted from the sales price for residential property, there shall, upon
application by the prospective purchaser, be deducted the amount by which the current fair market value of the Government's interest in the premises is enhanced as a result of improvements to the premises made by, or at the expense of, the prospective purchaser.

b. A junior occupant of a duplex house, which was purchased by the senior occupant, shall, upon application therefor, be entitled to a credit, against the purchase price of any residential property purchased through the exercise of a priority right established under the provisions of section 42, for the amount by which the current fair market value of the Government's interest in the duplex house of which he was an occupant is enhanced as a result of improvements to the premises of such duplex house made by, or at the expense of, the junior occupant.

c. The value of the improvements as specified in subsections 36 a. and b. shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of section 32.

d. Persons purchasing property pursuant to the provisions of section 52, who do not desire to avail themselves of the indemnity provisions contained in sections 63 through 66, shall be entitled to an additional deduction of 10 per centum of the appraised value of the property in addition to any other deduction set forth in this section.

CHAPTER 4. CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY AND PRIORITIES

SEC. 41. CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY.—

a. Immediately upon passage of this Act, the Commission shall classify all real property (including such improvements and such fixtures, equipment and other personal property incident thereto as it may deem appropriate) within each community in accordance with such classifications as shall insure reasonably similar treatment for reasonably similar property. The Classification shall be made by such procedures, consistent with this chapter, as it shall determine.

b. The commission may, but shall not be required to, classify any other real property at or in the vicinity of the community, whether within or outside of that community.

SEC. 42. PRIORITIES.—The Commission shall establish, by rule or regulation, a detailed system of reasonable and fair priority rights applicable to the sale of Government-owned property to private purchasers at each community. The priorities shall—

a. be uniform in each class or subclass of property;

b. give such preference to occupants and project-connected persons and to incoming employees of the Commission, of a contractor, or of a licensee as the Commission finds necessary or desirable, giving due consideration to the following factors:

(1) The retention and recruitment of personnel essential to the atomic energy program;

(2) The minimization of dislocations within the community;

(3) The expeditious accomplishment of the disposal program; and

(4) The desirability of encouraging private firms to locate or remain in the community;

c. give the occupant of a Government-owned single family house, and the senior occupant of a duplex house, at least ninety days in which to exercise the first right of priority;
d. permit persons who have formerly been occupants, project-connected persons, or inhabitants of the community, upon application therefor, to have such priority as the Commission finds to be fair and equitable; and

e. not impair any rights, including purchase rights, conferred by existing leases and covenants;

SEC. 43. TRANSFERABILITY.—No priority shall be transferable, except—

a. a husband and wife may exercise a priority in their joint names;

b. a religious organization may exercise the priority which would otherwise belong to its priest, minister, or rabbi, regardless of whether that position happens to be filled at the time of the exercise of the priority;

c. two or more priority holders having a common interest in a building or location may assign their interests to a single assignee; and

d. the Commission may permit such other transfers as it finds to be fair and equitable.

CHAPTER 5. SALES OF PROPERTY FOR PRIVATE USE

SEC. 51. APPLICATION.—The provisions of this chapter shall be made applicable at each community as soon as the Commission makes a finding in writing that there is a reasonable possibility that the Government-owned real property at such community can be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

SEC. 52. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY.—

a. The Commission shall offer for disposal all real property (including such improvements thereon and such fixtures, equipment, and other personal property incident thereto as it may deem appropriate) within the community which is presently under lease or license agreement with the Commission or its community management contractor for residential, commercial or industrial, agricultural, church or other nonprofit use, or which, in the opinion of the Commission, is appropriate for such use, other than—

(1) structures which in the opinion of the Commission should be removed from the community because of their unsatisfactory type of construction, condition, or location; or

(2) property which in the opinion of the Commission should be transferred pursuant to chapter 7 or chapter 8.

b. The Commission may, but shall not be required to, dispose of any other real property at the community, whether within or outside of that community.

c. Such property shall be disposed of on such terms and conditions, consistent with this chapter, as the Commission shall prescribe in the national interest, and without regard to any preferences or priorities whatever except those provided for pursuant to this Act. Transfers by the Commission of such property shall not impair rights under existing leases and covenants, including any purchase rights therein conferred.

SEC. 53. SALES.—

a. Where rights of priority have been granted pursuant to the provisions of this Act to Government-owned property, it shall be offered for sale to priority purchaser by giving notice to those eligible for such priority. Such notice shall (1) be in such manner as the Commission shall prescribe, (2) identify the property to be sold, and (3) state the terms and conditions of sale and the date of the offer which, in the case of occupants of single
family or duplex houses, shall expire not less than ninety days after the date of the offer.

b. Any property (other than church property) classified for sale under section 41 and offered for sale under section 52, as to which no priority right has been conferred, or as to which all priority rights have expired, shall be advertised for sale to the highest bidder, subject to the right of the Commission to reject any or all bids, and also subject to the right of an occupant of a Government-owned single family or duplex house to buy such house by paying an amount equal to the highest bid. No bid shall be accepted which is below the appraised value or, in the case of Government-owned single and duplex houses is below 85 per centum of the appraised value.

c. As to any property which has not been sold under subsection 53 b. within one year after the first advertisement for sale under subsection 53 b. the Commission may make such disposition, on such terms and conditions, as it may deem appropriate, but the Commission shall give an occupant of a Government-owned single family or duplex house such further opportunity to purchase such house as shall be fair and equitable.

d. Property for use of churches, in respect of which all priority rights have expired, may be disposed of by advertising and competitive bid, or by negotiated sale or other transfer at such prices, terms, and conditions as the Commission shall determine to be fair and equitable.

SEC. 54. CASH SALES.—All sales shall be for cash, and the buyer shall arrange for the necessary financing, except as provided in chapter 6 of this Act.

SEC. 55. FORM AND PROVISIONS OF INSTRUMENTS.—Deeds executed in connection with the disposal of property pursuant to the provisions of this Act—

a. shall be as simple as the Commission shall find to be appropriate, and may contain such warranties or covenants of title and other provisions (including any indemnity) as the Commission may deem appropriate;

b. with respect to any dormitories or apartment houses and any property used or to be used for construction of housing developments for rental purposes, may retain or acquire such rights to the Commission to designate the future occupants of part or all of such properties as it may deem appropriate to insure the availability of housing for employees of the Commission and its contractors;

c. may require that the transferee, his heirs, successors, and assigns shall compensate the Commission for any municipal services provided by the Commission at rates which will not be in excess of the average tax for such services in the immediate vicinity of the community; and any amounts due and unpaid for such compensation (together with interest and costs thereon) shall, as of the date on which such amounts become delinquent, be a lien in favor of the United States upon the premises sold by the Commission, though not valid as against any mortgagee, pledgee, purchaser, or judgment creditor until notice thereof has been filed in accordance with the laws of the State in which the property is situated or in the office of the clerk of the United States district court for the judicial district in which the property subject to the lien is situated, if such State has not by law provided for the filing of such notice;

d. in transferring any property pursuant to sections 31 and 52, may impose such restrictions and requirements relating to the
use of the premises and to public health and safety, as the Com-
mission may deem appropriate, which restrictions and require-
ments shall not be valid beyond one year after the incorporation
of the city at the community; and

e. may require that any payments in lieu of property taxes or
assessments for local improvements made by the Commission with
respect to the property shall be equitably prorated.

SEC. 56. OCCUPANCY BY EXISTING TENANTS.—Upon application by
any occupant of a single or duplex house made within the period of
the first priority when such house is first offered for sale under this
Act, the Commission shall execute a lease to such occupant for a period
not to exceed one year from the date on which such property is first
offered for sale, or for such period as he remains a project-connected
person, whichever is shorter. In selling any house with respect to
which a lease executed under this section is in effect, the Commission
may provide that the purchaser shall assume any or all obligations of
the lessor, but the Commission shall guarantee the lessee’s performance
under the terms of the lease.

SEC. 57. LOTS.—

a. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Com-
mission is authorized, immediately upon passage of this Act, or
immediately upon the inclusion of the community within the
provisions of this Act, to offer for sale to the lessees single resi-
dential lots, which were leased by competitive bid and which do
not have a Government-owned building thereon, at a price equal
to the initial valuation of the lot as stated in the lease.

b. The Commission is authorized to offer for sale, as soon as
possible, other lots, to individual owners, upon which single
family or duplex houses may be erected, taking into consideration
the zoning restrictions the new city is likely to enact with respect
to those lots.

CHAPTER 6. FINANCING

SEC. 61. CONTRACT PURCHASE.—The Commission may, in the sale
of any single-family or duplex house to a priority purchaser, enter
into a contract to purchase which provides that the purchaser shall
conclude his purchase within not more than three years after the
date the contract is entered into. Such contracts to purchase shall
provide for such periodic payments, including payments on account
of principal, interest, or tax equivalents, as the Commission shall
prescribe.

SEC. 62. COMMISSION FINANCING.—

a. In the event that the Commission finds that financing on
reasonable terms is not available from other sources, the Com-
mission may, in order to facilitate the sale of residential prop-
erty under chapter 5 of this Act, accept, in partial payment of
the purchase price of any house, apartment building, or dormi-
tory notes secured by first mortgages on such terms and condi-
tions as the Commission shall deem appropriate. In the case of
houses and apartment buildings, the maturity and percentage of
appraised value in connection with such notes and mortgages
shall not exceed those prescribed under section 223 (a) of the
National Housing Act, as amended, and the interest rate shall
equal the interest rate plus the premium being charged (and any
periodic service charge being authorized by the Federal Housing
Commissioner for properties of similar character) under section
223 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, at the effective
date of such notes and mortgages.

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12 USC 1715n.
b. The Commission may sell any such notes and mortgages on terms set by the Commission.

SEC. 63. COMMISSION INDEMNITY.—For a period of not more than fifteen years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall indemnify the purchaser (except a purchaser taking advantage of the provisions of subsection 36 (d)), and any successor in title, of any such single family or duplex house as set forth in this chapter. This indemnity shall be deemed to be incorporated in the deeds given on the sale of Government-owned houses. One person may not invoke the indemnity in respect of more than one house.

SEC. 64. COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION.—The indemnity obligation specified in section 63 shall arise only if, for the six months just preceding the date on which it is invoked—

(a) the total number of operating, maintenance, and administrative employees in the project area, as determined by the Commission, has been less than fourteen thousand three hundred and thirty-seven in the case of Oak Ridge or seven thousand six hundred and twenty-two in the case of Richland; and

(b) the population in the community has been less than twenty-nine thousand two hundred and fifty in the case of Oak Ridge or twenty-five thousand two hundred in the case of Richland.

For purposes of this section employment shall be determined on the basis of the pay period or periods ending nearest the 15th of each month.

SEC. 65. AMOUNT OF INDEMNITY.—The indemnity obligation of the Commission specified in section 63 shall be for such amount, less the sales price of the property, as would have remained unpaid under a loan entered into on the date of the execution of the original deed by the Commission—

(1) which was in the amount of the purchase price from the Commission and provided for equal monthly payments of principal and interest over a period of twenty years computed on the basis of the average interest and other charges recorded for property of the same class at the community; and

(2) on which all payments due to the date when notice was received by the Commission had been made.

SEC. 66. CONDITIONS OF INDEMNITY.—The Commission shall make the indemnity payment specified by section 65 only if the Commission receives a notice from the then owner of the property that he is about to sell the property for a sum less than the unpaid balance of the real or hypothetical loan calculated pursuant to section 65. Such payment shall be made only if—

a. notice is given to the Commission at a time when the conditions of section 64 are satisfied;

b. the sale is made within such time as the Commission may prescribe and in a manner which the Commission determined to afford adequate assurance of a fair price without excessive costs; and

c. the Commission is given such prior notice of the sale and such opportunity to become a purchaser as it shall prescribe.

In such circumstances the Commission is hereby authorized to purchase the property. Sales pursuant to this section and payment by the Commission of such amount, if any, as is owing pursuant to sections 63 through 66 shall end the obligation of the Commission under sections 63 through 66 with respect to that property.
CHAPTER 7. UTILITIES

SEC. 71. Authorization To Transfer Utilities.—The Commission is authorized to transfer to one or more of the entities specified in this chapter such utilities as in the judgment of the Commission will be appropriate to enable the transferee to meet the needs of the residents of the community for adequate utility services of the kind to be transferred.

SEC. 72. Date of Transfer.—Transfers of utilities shall be made as soon as possible, but in any event, not later than five years after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 73. Entity Receiving Transfer.—
   a. Transfer may be made to one or more of the following, if the transferee has the legal authority to receive and operate the utility.
      (1) the city at the community;
      (2) the State in which the community is located;
      (3) any political subdivision or agency of that State; or
      (4) any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity.
   b. In determining the transferee for any utility, the Commission may consider the following:
      (1) the pattern of ownership of the comparable utilities in the State in which the community is located;
      (2) the ability of the transferee to operate the utility;
      (3) the probable price of the sale of the utility, the ability of the transferee to pay that price, and any probable expense;
      (4) the desires of the eligible voters of the community as directly expressed in any vote in any officially recognized procedure or in any procedure established by the Commission; and
      (5) the benefit to the United States in reducing possible requirements for local assistance as authorized in chapters 8 and 9 of this Act.

SEC. 74. Utilities Transferable.—All utilities are authorized to be transferred under this chapter, but shall not include property which the Commission determines to be needed for its own use.

SEC. 75. Charges for Utilities Transferred.—The Commission may give the utility to the city incorporated at the community; and must charge in selling the utility to any other transferee. The charges and terms for the transfer of any utility may be established by advertising and competitive bid, or by negotiated sale or other transfer at such prices, terms, and conditions as the Commission shall determine to be fair and equitable.

CHAPTER 8. MUNICIPALITIES

SEC. 81. Assistance in Organization.—The Commission is authorized, for a period not to extend beyond five years after the date of enactment of this Act to cooperate with and assist the residents of the community in preparation for and establishment of local self-government and in the transfer of municipal installations and responsibilities to local entities. Such assistance may include payment of any amounts reasonably necessary to meet expenses incident to the establishment and organization of a city government and other local entities at the community, until such time as the municipal installations are transferred in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

SEC. 82. Authorization To Transfer Municipal Installations.—The Commission is authorized to transfer to one or more of the entities specified in this chapter such municipal installations as in the judg-
ment of the Commission, will be appropriate to enable the transferees to meet the needs of the residents of the community for adequate school, hospital, and other municipal services.

Sec. 83. Date of Transfer.—Transfers of municipal installations may be made at any time, not later than five years after the date of enactment of this Act.

Sec. 84. Entity Receiving Transfer.—
   a. Transfers may be made to one or more of the following, if the entity has the legal authority to receive the installation:
      (1) the city at the community; (2) the State in which the community is located; (3) any political subdivision or agency of that State; or (4) a private nonprofit organization in the case of the hospital installation or cemetery at the community.
   b. In determining the entity to which school, hospital, and other municipal installations, respectively, shall be transferred, the Commission shall be governed, in order, by
      (1) the results of a vote in which the eligible voters in the community expressed themselves directly on the transfer in the vote on the incorporation of the city;
      (2) the results of a vote in which the eligible voters have directly expressed themselves on the proposed transfer in a referendum or other officially recognized procedure;
      (3) there being only one entity which is legally authorized to receive the municipal installation; or
      (4) in the absence of the other alternatives, the Commission has conducted a vote of the eligible voters of the community on the proposed transfer under such procedures as it may establish.

Sec. 85. Installations Transferable.—All municipal installations are authorized to be transferred under this chapter, but shall not include property which the Commission determines to be needed for its own use.

Sec. 86. Charges for Municipal Installations Transferred.—The transfer of any municipal installation authorized to be made under the provisions of this chapter may be made without charge to the entity receiving the installation.

CHAPTER 9. LOCAL ASSISTANCE

Sec. 91. Basis of Assistance to Cities and Other State and Local Entities.—
   a. From the date of transfer of any municipal installations to a governmental or other entity at or for the community, the Commission shall, for a period of ten years, make annual assistance payments of just and reasonable sums to the State, county, or local entity having jurisdiction to collect property taxes or to the entity receiving the installation transferred hereunder. In determining the amount and recipient of such payments, the Commission shall consider—
      (1) the approximate real property taxes and assessments for local improvements which would be paid to the governmental entity upon property within the community if such property were not exempt from taxation by reason of Federal ownership;
      (2) the maintaining of municipal services at a level which will not impede the recruitment or retention of personnel essential to the atomic energy program;
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(3) the fiscal problems peculiar to the governmental entity by reason of the construction at the community as a single purpose national defense installation under emergency conditions; and

(4) the municipal services and other burdens imposed on the governmental or other entities at the community by the United States in its operations in the project area.

b. Special interim payments may be made under the provisions of this section to any governmental entity which—

(1) has a special burden due to the requirements under law imposed upon it in assisting in effectuating the purposes of this Act for which it will not otherwise receive adequate compensation or revenues; or

(2) will suffer a tax loss or lapse in place of which it will not receive any other adequate revenues until the new governmental entities contemplated by this chapter are receiving their normal taxes and performing their normal functions.

c. Payments made under this section shall be payments made for special burdens imposed on the local governmental entities in accordance with the second sentence of section 168 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954. Payments may be made under this section notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of September 30, 1950 (Public Law 874, Eighty-first Congress), as amended.

d. With respect to any entity not less than six months prior to the expiration of the ten-year period referred to in subsection a, the Commission shall present to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy its recommendation as to the need for any further contribution payments to such entity. If it recommends further contribution payments, it shall propose a definite schedule of such contribution payments which will provide for an orderly and reasonably prompt withdrawal of the Atomic Energy Commission from participation in and contribution toward local government.

SEC. 92. COMMISSION REDUCTIONS.—Any payment which becomes due under section 91 prior to the transfer of all municipal installations at the community may be reduced by such amount as the Commission determines to be equitable based on the municipal services then being performed by the Commission, and the municipal services then being performed by such governmental entity.

SEC. 93. AREA OF SERVICE.—The payments made pursuant to section 91 to transferees of municipal installations are in anticipation that the respective recipients of those payments furnish, or have furnished, for the community, the school, hospital, or other municipal services in respect of which the payments are made. Any such payment may be withheld, in whole or in part, if the Commission finds that the recipient is not furnishing such services for any part of the area so designated.

SEC. 94. COMMISSION CONTRACTS.—The Commission is authorized, without regard to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, to enter into a contract with any governmental or other entity to which payments are required to be made pursuant to section 91, obligating the Commission to make to such entity the payments as directed to be made by section 91.

CHAPTER 10. TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS, AND REVIEW

SEC. 101. TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—The President is authorized to delegate the duties and responsibilities placed on the Commission by this Act to such other agencies of the United States Government as are reasonably qualified to perform those duties and responsibilities. The President may delegate any or all of the duties and responsibilities of
the Commission in the operation of the communities to such other agencies of the United States Government that are reasonably qualified to perform those duties and responsibilities. The Commission shall retain no financing duties and responsibilities.

SEC. 102. REVIEW.—The Commission shall present to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy of the Congress a full review of its activities under this Act every three years in addition to any other presentation which may be required or requested by the Joint Committee.

SEC. 103. JOINT COMMITTEE ON ATOMIC ENERGY.—The provisions of chapter 17 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 shall be applicable to all matters under this Act.

CHAPTER 11. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 111. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.—The Commission shall have all powers conferred by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, including the power to make, promulgate, issue, rescind, and amend such rules, regulations, and delegations as may be appropriate to carry out the provisions of this Act and shall be subject to the limitations contained in chapter 14 of that Act. Nothing contained in this Act shall impair the powers vested in the Commission by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, or any other law.

SEC. 112. QUALIFICATION TO PURCHASE.—No officer or employee of the Commission or of any other Federal agency (including officers and members of the Armed Forces) shall be disqualified from purchasing any property or exercising any right or privilege under this Act, but no such officer or employee shall make any determination as to his own eligibility or priority, or as to valuation, price, or terms of sale and financing of property sold to him.

SEC. 113. CONTRACT FORMS.—Contracts entered into pursuant to this Act and other instruments executed pursuant to this Act shall be in such form and contain such provisions, consistent with this Act, as the Commission shall prescribe; and shall be as simple and concise as possible. Any mortgage shall contain terms which will place the United States in the same position, with respect to any mortgages it may hold under the provisions of chapter 6, as that occupied by a private lender under the applicable State laws for the relief of mortgagees with respect to deficiency judgments.

SEC. 114. EVIDENCE.—A deed, lease, contract, or other instrument executed by or on behalf of the Commission purporting to transfer title or any other interest in property disposed of pursuant to this Act shall be conclusive evidence of compliance with the provisions of this Act and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, insofar as concerns title or other interest of any bona fide grantee or transferee for value without notice of lack of such compliance, and his successors in title.

SEC. 115. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.—Determinations authorized by this Act to be made by the Commission as to classification, priorities, prices, and terms and conditions of sale of property disposed under this Act shall be subject to review only in accordance with such provisions for administrative review or reconsideration as the Commission may prescribe.

SEC. 116. REPOSSESSION.—The Commission is authorized to repossess any property sold by it in accordance with the terms of any contract to purchase, mortgage or other instrument, and to sell or make any other disposition of any property so repossessed and any property purchased by it pursuant to section 66.

SEC. 117. NET PROCEEDS.—The net proceeds derived by the Commission from the disposal of property pursuant to this Act, after defray-
ing expenses incident to appraisal, sale or other transfer and any financing under section 62, shall be covered into the Treasury. Annually, upon advice of the Commission, there shall be transferred to miscellaneous receipts of the Treasury such portion of such net proceeds as may no longer be needed to meet the contingent obligations provided for in subsection 118 c.

SEC. 118. Appropriations.—

a. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the provisions and purposes of this Act.

b. There are authorized to be appropriated the sum of $518,000 at Oak Ridge and the sum of $2,165,000 at Richland for construction, modification, or expansion of municipal installations authorized to be transferred pursuant to chapter 8 of this Act.

c. As much as may be necessary of net proceeds from section 117 are hereby appropriated and made available for use by the Commission (without fiscal year limitations) to pay any costs, losses, expenses, or obligations incurred by the Commission in connection with obligations entered into pursuant to section 37 or section 63, with repossession or repurchase, rehabilitation, and further disposition pursuant to sections 63 through 66 and section 116, and with the defense and payment of any claims for breaches of warranties and covenants of title of any property disposed of pursuant to this Act.

SEC. 119. Separability of Provisions.—If any provisions of this Act, or the application of such provision to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of this Act or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected thereby.

AMENDMENT TO NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

SEC. 201. Section 223 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is further amended as follows:

(a) After paragraph (3) thereof there is added the following new paragraph:

“(4) executed in connection with the sale by the Government, or any agency or official thereof, of any housing (including any property acquired, held, or constructed in connection therewith or to serve the inhabitants thereof) pursuant to the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955, as amended: Provided, That such insurance shall be issued without regard to any preferences or priorities except those prescribed by the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955, as amended; or”.

(b) The paragraph numbered (4) is renumbered (5).

(c) The paragraph numbered (5) is renumbered (6) and is revised to read as follows:

“(6) executed in connection with the first resale, within two years from the date of its acquisition from the Government, of any portion of a project or property of the character described in paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (4) above; or”.

(d) The paragraph numbered (6) is renumbered (7) and the last proviso therein is amended by striking “(4) or (5)” and inserting “(4), (5), or (6)” and by striking “(3), or (5)” and inserting “(3), (4), or (6)”.

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12 USC 1715n.
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AN ACT

To exempt meetings of associations of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from certain provisions of the Acts of June 7, 1938 (52 Stat. 611), and July 1, 1902 (32 Stat. 622), as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the Act of June 7, 1938 (52 Stat. 611; title 2, ch. 13, D. C. Code, 1951 edition), and of paragraph 10 of section 7 of the Act approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stat. 622), as amended (sec. 47-2310, D. C. Code, 1951 edition), shall not be applicable to activities conducted in connection with any bona fide regularly scheduled national annual convention of any national association of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists, from which the general public is excluded.

Approved August 4, 1955.

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AN ACT

To repeal the prohibition against the declaration of stock dividends by public utilities operating in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph 75 of section 8 of the Act entitled “An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and for other purposes”, approved March 4, 1913 (D. C. Code, sec. 43-804), which provides that no public utility shall declare any stock, bond, or scrip dividend or divide the proceeds of the sale of any stock, bond, or scrip among its stockholders, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. Paragraph 73 of section 8 of the Act entitled “An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and for other purposes” approved March 4, 1913 (sec. 43-802, D. C. Code; 37 Stat. 990), be amended to read as follows: “That no public utility shall hereafter issue any stocks, stock certificates, bonds, mortgages, or any other evidences of indebtedness payable in more than one year from date, or pay any stock, bond or scrip dividend, until it shall have first obtained the certificate of the commission showing authority for such issue from the commission.”

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AN ACT
To incorporate the Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the United States of America.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following persons, to wit: James G. Walsh, Distinguished Service Cross, 50 Patten Street, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts; Robert G. Woodside, Distinguished Service Cross, 3858 First Avenue, South, Saint Petersburg, Florida; Deming Bronson, Congressional Medal of Honor, route 2, box 322, Roseburg, Oregon; George E. Parker, Junior, Distinguished Service Cross, Lutherville, Maryland; Leo L. Zingale, Distinguished Service Cross, 3612 East One Hundred and Seventeenth Street, Cleveland, Ohio; John Davis, Congressional Medal of Honor, 800 North Shore Drive, Saint Petersburg, Florida; Glen O. McEwen, Distinguished Service Cross, box 737, Spokane 3, Washington; Ben. Prager, Distinguished Service Cross, 316 Court House, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Earle D. Norton, Distinguished Service Cross, 99 Broadway, New York, New York; Ray Eastman, Navy Cross, 396 LaSalle Avenue, Buffalo 15, New York; Ben Neff, Distinguished Service Cross, 208 Evanston Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Warren L. Granger, Navy Cross, 703 Sixteenth Street, Alexandria, Virginia; William Oliver Smith, Distinguished Service Cross, 917 Holt Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina; Robert M. Gaynor, Distinguished Service Cross, 621 South Taylor Street, Arlington, Virginia; Leon M. Hanna, Distinguished Service Cross, box 217, McHenry, Illinois; Bruno O. Forsterer, Congressional Medal of Honor, Walker Street, Oakland, California; Elmer R. Hangartner, Distinguished Service Cross, 2103 Lynn Avenue, Altoona, Wisconsin; Thomas Eadie, Congressional Medal of Honor, 120 Gibbs Avenue, Newport, Rhode Island; John D. Hawk, Congressional Medal of Honor, 3243 Solie, Bremerton, Washington; Leon A. Dombrowski, Distinguished Service Cross, 137 Highland Drive, Williamsville, New York; William C. Hardie, Distinguished Service Cross, post-office box 1396, Billings, Montana; E. Lee Henderson, Navy Cross, 10948 Fruitland Drive, North Hollywood, California; Othel J. Gee, Distinguished Service Cross, 410 Medical Arts Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Leslie Hardy, Distinguished Service Cross, 1021 East Sierra Vista, Phoenix, Arizona; A. Allen Johnson, Distinguished Service Cross, 953 Dixwell Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut; Dennis C. Turner, Distinguished Service Cross, 2704 Brinker Avenue, Ogden, Utah; John D. Licklider, Distinguished Service Cross, 229 Woodrow Avenue, Martinsburg, West Virginia; Murry Wolfe, Navy Cross, 240 Gregory Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey; Willard H. Marshall, Distinguished Service Cross, 31 West Whitney Street, Sheridan, Wyoming; Peter Paul Martinez, Navy Cross, 1731 South Brand Boulevard, Glendale, California; Lucian Adams, Congressional Medal of Honor, 215 Santa Clara Street, San Antonio, Texas; and Edgar H. Bain, post-office box 2, Goldsboro, North Carolina, and their successors, are hereby created and declared to be a body corporate of the District of Columbia, where its legal domicile shall be, by the name of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the United States of America, Incorporated (hereinafter referred to as the "corporation"), and by such name shall be known and have perpetual succession and the powers, limitations, and restrictions herein contained.
COMPLETION OF ORGANIZATION

SEC. 2. The persons named in the first section of this Act are authorized to complete the organization of the corporation by the selection of officers and employees, the adoption of a constitution and bylaws, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, and the doing of such other acts as may be necessary for such purpose. Five of such persons shall constitute a quorum for the purposes enumerated in this section.

PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTS OF CORPORATION

SEC. 3. (a) The principles underlying the corporation are patriotic allegiance to the United States of America, fidelity to its Constitution and laws, the security of civil liberty, and the permanence of free institutions.
(b) The objects of the corporation are to cherish the memories of the valiant deeds in arms for which the Congressional Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Cross, and the Navy Cross are the insignia; to promote true fellowship among its members; to advance the best interests of members of the Armed Forces of the United States of America; to extend all possible relief to needy members of the corporation, their widows, and children; and to stimulate patriotism in the minds of our youth by encouraging the study of the patriotic, military, and naval history of our Nation.

CORPORATE POWERS

SEC. 4. The corporation shall have power—
(1) to have succession by its corporate name;
(2) to sue and be sued, complain and defend in any court of competent jurisdiction;
(3) to adopt, use, and alter a corporate seal;
(4) to charge and collect membership dues;
(5) to adopt, amend, and alter a constitution and bylaws, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or any State in which the corporation is to operate, for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;
(6) to contract and be contracted with;
(7) to take by lease, gift, purchase, grant, devise, or bequest from any private corporation, association, partnership, firm, or individual and to hold any property, real, personal, or mixed, necessary or convenient for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of the corporation, subject, however, to applicable provisions of law of any State (A) governing the amount or kind of property which may be held by, or (B) otherwise limiting or controlling the ownership of property by, a corporation operating in such State;
(8) to transfer, convey, lease, sublease, encumber, and otherwise alienate real, personal or mixed property; and
(9) to borrow money for the purposes of the corporation, issue bonds therefor, and secure the same by mortgage, deed of trust, pledge, or otherwise, subject in every case to all applicable provisions of Federal and State laws.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE; SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES; DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AGENT

SEC. 5. (a) The principal office of the corporation shall be located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, or in such other place as may later be determined by the board of directors, but the activities of the corpora-
tion shall not be confined to that place and may be conducted throughout the various States, Territories, and possessions of the United States.

(b) The corporation shall have in the District of Columbia at all times a designated agent authorized to accept service of process for the corporation; and notice to or service upon such agent, or mailed to the business address of such agent, shall be deemed notice to or service upon the corporation.

MEMBERSHIP; VOTING RIGHTS

SEC. 6. (a) All persons of good moral character who are, have been, or may become members of the Armed Forces of the United States or any foreign country of whatever rank, who have received or who may hereafter receive a Congressional Medal of Honor, a Distinguished Service Cross, or a Navy Cross awarded for acts of extraordinary heroism in connection with military or naval operations against an armed enemy, or for heroism of a specially distinguished character, shall be eligible for active membership in the corporation.

(b) The corporation shall have the power, moreover, to extend eligibility for membership, either active or associate, to parents and lineal descendants of the persons described in subsection (a) of this section under such conditions and upon such terms as the corporation may specify in its constitution and bylaws.

(c) Each member of the corporation, other than associate members, shall have the right to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at all meetings of the members of the corporation.

(d) Notwithstanding the limitations set out in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, any member in good standing of the corporate body referred to in section 16 of this Act shall be admitted on request to comparable membership in the corporation created by this Act.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: COMPOSITION; RESPONSIBILITIES

SEC. 7. (a) Upon the enactment of this Act the membership of the initial board of directors of the corporation shall consist of the present officers of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor, referred to in section 16 of this Act, or such of them as may then be living and are qualified officers of that corporation, to wit: William Oliver Smith, of Raleigh, North Carolina; Peter Paul Martinek, of Glendale, California; Lucian Adams, of San Antonio, Texas; Edgar H. Bain, of Goldsboro, North Carolina; and Ben Prager, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, who are respectively, the commander, the senior vice commander, the junior vice commander, the chaplain, and the adjutant and quartermaster.

(b) Thereafter, the board of directors of the corporation shall consist of such number (not less than ten), shall be selected in such manner (including the filling of vacancies), and shall serve for such terms as may be prescribed in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

(c) The board of directors shall be the governing board of the corporation and shall, during the intervals between corporation meetings, be responsible for the general policies and program of the corporation. The board shall be responsible for all finances of the corporation.
OFFICER; ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SEC. 8. (a) The officers of the corporation shall be a commander, a senior vice commander, a junior vice commander, a chaplain, an adjutant and quartermaster, a judge advocate, an inspector, a surgeon, a historian, and such aides-de-camp as may be provided in the constitution and bylaws.

(b) The officers of the corporation shall be elected in such manner and for such terms and with such duties as may be prescribed in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

USE OF INCOME; LOANS TO OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, OR EMPLOYEES

SEC. 9. (a) No part of the income or assets of the corporation shall inure to any member, officer, or director, or be distributable to any such person otherwise than upon dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation as provided in section 15 of this Act. Nothing in this subsection, however, shall be construed to prevent the payment of compensation to officers of the corporation in amounts approved by the executive committee of the corporation.

(b) The corporation shall not make loans to its officers, directors, or employees. Any director who votes for or assents to the making of a loan to an officer, director, or employee of the corporation, and any officer who participates in the making of such loan, shall be jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of such loan until the repayment thereof.

NONPOLITICAL NATURE OF CORPORATION

SEC. 10. The corporation, and its officers and directors as such, shall not contribute to or otherwise support or assist any political party or candidate for public office.

LIABILITY FOR ACTS OF OFFICERS AND AGENTS

SEC. 11. The corporation shall be liable for the acts of its officers and agents when acting within the scope of their authority.

PROHIBITION AGAINST ISSUANCE OF STOCK OR PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS

SEC. 12. The corporation shall have no power to issue any shares of stock or to declare or pay any dividends.

BOOKS AND RECORDS; INSPECTION

SEC. 13. The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and committees having any authority under the board of directors; and it shall also keep at its principal office a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any member entitled to vote, or his agent or attorney, for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time.

AUDIT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

SEC. 14. (a) The financial transactions shall be audited annually, at the end of the fiscal year established by the corporation, by an independent certified public accountant in accordance with the principles and procedures applicable to commercial corporate transactions. The
audit shall be conducted at the place or places where the accounts of
the corporation are normally kept. All books, accounts, financial
records, reports, files, and all other papers, things, or property
belonging to or in use by the corporation and necessary to facilitate
the audit shall be made available to the person or persons conducting
the audit; and full facilities for verifying transactions with the bal-
ances or securities held by depositors, fiscal agents, and custodians
shall be afforded to such person or persons.

(b) A report of such audit shall be made by the corporation to the
Congress not later than six months following the close of such fiscal
year for which the audit is made. The report shall set forth the scope
of the audit and shall include verification by the person or persons
conducting the audit of statements of (1) assets and liabilities, (2)
capital and surplus or deficit, (3) surplus or deficit analysis, (4)
income and expense, and (5) sources and application of funds. Such
report shall not be printed as a public document.

USE OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION OR LIQUIDATION

SEC. 15. Upon final dissolution or liquidation of the corporation,
and after discharge or satisfaction of all outstanding obligations and
liabilities, the remaining assets of the corporation may be distributed
in accordance with the determination of the board of directors of the
corporation and in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of
the corporation and all Federal and State laws applicable thereto.

TRANSFER OF ASSETS

SEC. 16. The corporation may acquire the assets of the Army and
Navy Legion of Valor of the United States of America, Incorporated,
a body corporate organized under the laws of the State of New York,
upon discharging or satisfactorily providing for the payment and dis-
charge of all of the liabilities of such State corporation and upon
complying with all the laws of the State of New York applicable
thereto.

RESERVATION OF RIGHT TO AMEND OR REPEAL CHARTER

SEC. 17. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly
reserved.

Approved August 4, 1955.
Public Law 226

AN ACT

For the relief of desert land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the requirement of section 1 of the Desert Land Act of March 3, 1877 (19 Stat. 377), that the right to the use of water by a desert land entryman "shall depend upon bona fide prior appropriation" shall be waived in the case of all desert land entries which have heretofore been allowed and are subsisting on the effective date of this Act, which are dependent upon percolating waters for their reclamation, and which are situated in the State of Arizona under the laws of which the percolating waters upon which the entries are dependent are not subject to the doctrine of prior appropriation but are usable under State law for irrigation and reclamation purposes.

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 227

AN ACT

To provide for the payment of compensation to officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, the White House Police force, and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, for duty performed on their days off, when such days off are suspended during an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the Act entitled "An Act to provide a five-day week for officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the White House Police force", approved August 15, 1950, as amended (D. C. Code, sec. 4-904), is amended by adding the following new subsection:

"(f) Whenever the granting of days off has been suspended and discontinued pursuant to this section, each officer and member shall be entitled to receive, in addition to his annual basic salary, compensation at the basic daily rate for each day of duty which he performs by reason of the suspension and discontinuance of his days off under this section. Any officer or member so performing duty shall be entitled to all rights, benefits, and privileges, and shall be subject to all obligations and duties to which he is entitled or to which he is subject on any regular workday. Such compensation shall be treated for the purpose of computing retirement compensation or relief payments, or for deduction, in the same manner as is compensation for duty voluntarily performed under subsection (e) of this section."

Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act to classify the officers and members of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes', approved June 20, 1906, and for other purposes", approved June 19, 1948 (62 Stat. 499), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Whenever the granting of days off has been suspended and discontinued pursuant to this subsection, each officer and member shall be entitled to receive, in addition to his annual basic salary, compensation at the basic daily rate for each day of duty which he performs by reason of the suspension and discontinuance of his days off under this subsection. Any officer or member so performing duty
shall be entitled to all rights, benefits, and privileges, and shall be
subject to all obligations and duties, to which he is entitled or to
which he is subject on any regular workday. Additional compensation
paid under this subsection shall not be considered as salary for the
purpose of computing retirement compensation or relief payments
under section 12 of the Act entitled 'An Act making appropriations
to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of
Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred
and seventeen, and for other purposes', approved September 1, 1916,
as amended, nor shall such additional compensation be subject to
deduction as provided in section 5 of the Act entitled 'An Act to
fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police
force and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia', approved
July 1, 1930, as amended.'"

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1955.
Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 228  
CHAPTER 550

To increase the mileage allowance of United States marshals and their
deputies from 7 cents per mile to 10 cents per mile.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph
(3) of section 553 of title 28, United States Code, is amended by
striking out "7 cents" and inserting in lieu thereof "10 cents".

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 229  
CHAPTER 551

To further amend section 106 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 so as to
provide for certain adjustments in the dates of rank of nurses and women
medical specialists of the Regular Army and Regular Air Force in the
permanent grade of captain, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 106
of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 (61 Stat. 44, ch. 38), as
amended, is further amended by inserting the letter "(a)" immedi-
ately following the words "SEC. 106." and by adding the following
subsections at the end thereof.

"(b) Notwithstanding any other law, the Secretary of the Army
shall, before January 1, 1956, adjust the dates of rank of all com-
misioned officers of the Army Nurse Corps and Women's Medical
Specialist Corps of the Regular Army in the permanent grade of
captain to reflect the total amount of service creditable to each such
officer for promotion purposes under existing law. When that ad-
justment is made, such officer shall be given precedence for promotion
purposes in accordance with their adjusted dates of rank. If two or
more officers have the same date of rank, rank shall be determined—

"(1) by length of continuous active commissioned service in
the regular components of the Armed Forces;

"(2) if the length of continuous active commissioned service
in the regular components of the Armed Forces is the same, by
rank established at the time of original appointment in the
regular component of an armed force; and
“(3) in other cases, by the Secretary of the Army.
“(c) Notwithstanding any other law, the Secretary of the Air Force shall, before January 1, 1956, adjust the dates of rank of all commissioned officers of the Regular Air Force in the permanent grade of captain who are designated as nurses and women medical specialists to reflect the total amount of service creditable to each such officer for promotion purposes under existing law. When that adjustment is made, the names of the officers concerned shall be arranged on the promotion lists concerned in order of date of rank. If two or more officers have the same date of rank, rank shall be determined—
“(1) by length of continuous active commissioned service in the regular components of the Armed Forces;
“(2) if the length of continuous active commissioned service in the regular components of the Armed Forces is the same, by rank established at the time of her earliest appointment in the regular component of an armed force; and
“(3) in other cases, by the Secretary of the Air Force.”
Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 230

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the printing and binding of a revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives and providing that the same shall be subject to copyright by the author.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be printed and bound for the use of the House one thousand five hundred copies of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives, by Clarence Cannon, to be printed under the supervision of the author and to be distributed to Members by the Speaker.

Sec. 2. That, notwithstanding any provision of the copyright laws and regulations with respect to publications in the public domain, Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives shall be subject to copyright by the author thereof.

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 231

AN ACT

To provide that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of certain commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the President to retire certain officers and enlisted men of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, and for other purposes", approved February 21, 1946 (34 U. S. C., sec. 410b), is hereby amended by inserting immediately after "Navy, Marine Corps," the following: "Army, Air Force,"

Sec. 2. Section 232 of title 14 of the United States Code is hereby amended by inserting immediately after "Navy," the following: "Army, Air Force,"

Approved August 4, 1955.
PUBLIC LAW 232—AUG. 4, 1955

Alaska. Railroad lease extension.

August 4, 1955

[H.R. 3338]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 101 and 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 (61 Stat. 41, 42), as amended (10 U. S. C. 166, 166a), are each further amended by adding the following new subsection at the end thereof:

“(d) In determining position on a promotion list, seniority in her grade in the Regular Army or the Regular Air Force, as the case may be, and eligibility for promotion, a person originally appointed as a commissioned officer under subsection (c), shall be credited, at the time of her appointment, with the active Federal commissioned service, after December 31, 1947, which she performed after becoming twenty-one years of age and before her appointment. However, not more than five years of service may be so credited. A person originally appointed as a first lieutenant who has not performed at least three years of such active Federal commissioned service after December 31, 1947, shall, for the same purposes, be credited with that amount of service. Service credited pursuant to this subsection shall be in lieu of and not in addition to service credited under section 105 of this Act.”

Effective date. Restriction.

SEC. 2. The effective date of the amendments made by section 1 of this Act is January 1, 1948. No person is entitled to any back pay or allowances because of those amendments.

Approved August 4, 1955.

PUBLIC LAW 233—AUG. 4, 1955

AN ACT

To authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947, as amended, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 101 and 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 (61 Stat. 41, 42), as amended (10 U. S. C. 166, 166a), are each further amended by adding the following new subsection at the end thereof:

“(d) In determining position on a promotion list, seniority in her grade in the Regular Army or the Regular Air Force, as the case may be, and eligibility for promotion, a person originally appointed as a commissioned officer under subsection (c), shall be credited, at the time of her appointment, with the active Federal commissioned service, after December 31, 1947, which she performed after becoming twenty-one years of age and before her appointment. However, not more than five years of service may be so credited. A person originally appointed as a first lieutenant who has not performed at least three years of such active Federal commissioned service after December 31, 1947, shall, for the same purposes, be credited with that amount of service. Service credited pursuant to this subsection shall be in lieu of and not in addition to service credited under section 105 of this Act.”

Effective date. Restriction.

SEC. 2. The effective date of the amendments made by section 1 of this Act is January 1, 1948. No person is entitled to any back pay or allowances because of those amendments.

Approved August 4, 1955.

PUBLIC LAW 234—AUG. 4, 1955

AN ACT

To provide for the release of the express condition and limitation on certain land heretofore conveyed to the trustees of the village of Sag Harbor, New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army, with respect to the land described in section 2 of this Act, is authorized and directed to release by quitclaim deed to the village of Sag Harbor, New York, the express condition and limitation
provided in section 3 of the Act of Congress approved June 4, 1924 (43 Stat. 382), and set forth in the deed dated February 3, 1926, by which the Secretary of War conveyed said land and other land comprising that portion of the Sag Harbor Military Reservation known as the "Arsenal Lot", situate in the port of Sag Harbor, Southampton Township, Suffolk County, New York, to the trustees of the village of Sag Harbor.

Sec. 2. All that piece or parcel of land situate in the incorporated village of Sag Harbor, town of Southampton, County of Suffolk, and State of New York, being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a drill hole placed in the southerly line of Union Street and the northwest corner of the premises herein described, said drill hole being south 78 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds east a distance of 84.03 feet as measured along the southerly line of Union Street from a drill hole set at the point of tangency on the southerly line of Union Street near its intersection with the easterly line of Madison Street; running thence south 78 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds east a distance of 15.50 feet as measured along the southerly line of Union Street to a point; running thence south 01 degree 31 minutes 20 seconds west along an existing fence a distance of 45.94 feet along land of the incorporated village of Sag Harbor through premises known as "Arsenal Lot" to a point; running thence south 80 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds west a distance of 13.00 feet along the Old Burying Ground to a point; running thence north 01 degree 16 minutes 30 seconds west a distance of 51.12 feet along land of Leonard M. Berrara, and through an existing structure, to the point or place of beginning.

Said description being in accordance with the survey of Edward T. Archibald, licensed land surveyor numbered 23420, of Sag Harbor, New York, which survey was made November 1953, and said premises contain an area of 0.0156 acre, as shown by said survey.

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 235

AN ACT
To provide for the conveyance of certain property under the jurisdiction of the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to the State of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Housing and Home Finance Administrator shall convey to the State of Louisiana all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the projects identified as LA-16011 and LA-16012, constructed under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended (42 U. S. C., sec. 1521, and the following), on real property constituting a part of the grounds of the Central Louisiana Hospital for the Insane leased from the State of Louisiana. Such conveyance is to be made in consideration of the payment of $300,000 by the State of Louisiana in three equal annual installments.

Sec. 2. The provisions of this Act shall be effective only if the first installment is paid within six months after the date of approval of this Act.

Approved August 4, 1955.
Public Law 236

CHAPTER 558

TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE TO LEND CERTAIN ARMY, NAVY, AND AIR FORCE EQUIPMENT, AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES TO THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR USE AT THE GIRL SCOUT SENIOR ROUNDUP ENCAMPMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, That (a) the Secretary of Defense is hereby authorized, under such regulations as he may prescribe, to lend to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, a corporation created under the Act of March 16, 1950, for the use and accommodation of the approximately five thousand Girl Scouts and officials who are to attend the Girl Scout Senior Roundup Encampment to be held during the period beginning in June 1956 and ending in July 1956, at the Highland State Recreation Area in the State of Michigan, such tents, cots, blankets, commissary equipment, flags, refrigerators, and other equipment and services as may be necessary or useful.

(b) Such equipment is authorized to be delivered at such time prior to the holding of such encampment and to be returned at such time after the close of such encampment as may be agreed upon by the Secretary of Defense and the Girl Scouts of the United States of America. No expense shall be incurred by the United States Government for the delivery, return, rehabilitation, or replacement of such equipment.

(c) The Secretary of Defense, before delivering such property, shall take from the Girl Scouts of the United States of America a good and sufficient bond for the safe return of such property in good order and condition, and the whole without expense to the United States.

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 237

CHAPTER 559

TO DIRECT THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE TO RELEASE ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES CONDITIONS IN TWO DEEDS CONVEYING CERTAIN SUBMARGINAL LANDS TO CLEMSON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE OF SOUTH CAROLINA SO AS TO PERMIT SUCH COLLEGE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS, TO SELL, LEASE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF SUCH LANDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, That, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of section 32 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1011 (c)), the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to release on behalf of the United States with respect to lands designated pursuant to section 2 hereof, the conditions, contained in two deeds, both dated December 22, 1954, conveying certain submarginal lands in Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens Counties, South Carolina, to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina, which require that the lands conveyed be used for public purposes and provide for a reversion of such lands to the United States if at any time they cease to be so used.

Sec. 2. The Secretary shall release the conditions referred to in section 1 only with respect to lands covered by and described in an agreement or agreements entered into between the Secretary and the college in which the college, in consideration of the release of said conditions as to such lands, agrees—
(1) that all proceeds from the sale or exchange of such lands shall be used by the college for the acquisition of lands within the exterior boundaries of the project or for the development or improvement of lands within the project;

(2) that any lands acquired by the sale or exchange of the lands covered by such agreement shall become a part of the project established on the lands conveyed by the two deeds referred to in section 1 and shall be subject to the conditions with respect to the use of such lands for public purposes contained in such deeds; and

(3) that all proceeds from the sale, lease, or other disposition of the lands covered by such agreement shall be maintained by the college in a separate fund and that the record of all transactions involving such fund shall be open to inspection by the Secretary. Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 238

AN ACT
To authorize the transmission through the mails of certain keys, identification devices, and small articles, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any key, any identification card, identification tag, or similar identification device, and any other small article which the Postmaster General by regulation may designate, which bears, contains, or has attached securely thereto—

(1) a complete, definite, and legible post office address, including (if such exists) the street address or box or route number, and

(2) a notice directing that such key, card, tag, device, or small article be returned to such address, and guaranteeing the payment, on delivery, of the postage due thereon,

may be transmitted through the mails to such address at a rate of postage of 5 cents for each two ounces or fraction thereof.


Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect on the sixtieth day following the date of its enactment.

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 239

AN ACT
To amend paragraph I (a), part I of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, to make its provisions applicable to active service on and after June 27, 1950, and prior to February 1, 1955, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph I (a), part I of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby amended by inserting a semicolon after the words “in the World War or in World War II during the dates specified” and adding immediately after said semicolon the words “or where such disability was incurred in or aggravated in active service in the Armed Forces on or after June 27, 1950, and prior to February 1, 1955”.

Veterans.
"Sec. 2. Section 212 of Public Law Numbered 212, Seventy-second Congress, approved June 30, 1932, as amended (5 U. S. C. 59a), is hereby amended by striking out '$3,000' each time it appears and inserting in lieu thereof '$10,000'."

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 240

AN ACT

To amend section 8 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a District of Columbia Armory Board and for other purposes", approved June 4, 1948.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 8 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a District of Columbia Armory Board and for other purposes", approved June 4, 1948 (sec. 2-1708, D. C. Code, 1951 edition), is amended by striking the proviso in the fifth sentence thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Provided, That the Disbursing Officer of the District of Columbia is authorized to advance to the Armory Board, upon requisitions previously approved by the Accounting Officer of the District of Columbia, sums of money not to exceed $11,000 at any one time to be used for office and sundry expenses of the Armory Board, including use for change-making purposes: Provided further, That, an amount not to exceed $3,000 in any fiscal year shall be available for promotional expenses in the furtherance of the secondary purposes of this Act, and the certificate of the Armory Board shall be sufficient voucher for such expenditure."

Approved August 4, 1955.

Public Law 241

AN ACT

To provide that reversionary interests of the United States in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Oklahoma, shall be quitclaimed to such city.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to quitclaim to the city of Chandler, Oklahoma, in consideration of the payment of $3,000, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to those lands otherwise conveyed by the United States to such city by the Act entitled "An Act to grant a military target range of Lincoln County, Oklahoma, to the city of Chandler, Oklahoma, and reserving the right to use for military and aviation purposes", approved February 15, 1923. Such sum of $3,000 shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts.

Approved August 4, 1955.
Public Law 242  AN ACT
Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, namely:

SENATE

For compensation of Senators, including agency contribution for Federal employees group life insurance, as authorized by Public Law 598, Eighty-third Congress, $2,166,240.

For mileage of the President of the Senate and of Senators, $51,000.

For expense allowance of the majority leader and the minority leader of the Senate, $4,000.

For the compensation of the Vice President of the United States, including agency contributions for Federal employees group life insurance, as authorized by Public Law 598, Eighty-third Congress, $35,070.

For expense allowance of the Vice President, $10,000.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

For compensation of officers, employees, clerks to Senators, and others as authorized by law, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

For clerical assistance to the Vice President, at rates of compensation to be fixed by him in multiples of $5 per month, $64,745.

CHAPLAIN

Chaplain of the Senate, $5,000: Provided, That effective August 1, 1955, the gross compensation of the chaplain of the Senate shall be $5,000 per annum.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

For Office of the Secretary, $521,345: Provided, That effective August 1, 1955, the gross annual compensation of the Secretary of the Senate shall be $17,500; and the basic annual compensation of the following positions shall be: chief clerk $8,820 in lieu of $7,500; parliamentarian $8,820 in lieu of $14,297.50 and Public Law 253, Eighty-second Congress is hereby amended insofar as it applies to the compensation of the parliamentarian of the Senate by deleting "so long as the position is held by the present incumbent"; assistant parliamentarian $7,260 in lieu of $7,000 and Public Law 470, Eighty-third Congress is hereby amended insofar as it applies to the compensation of the assistant parliamentarian by deleting "so long as the position is held by the present incumbent"; legislative clerk $7,260.
in lieu of $7,000; journal clerk $7,260 in lieu of $7,000; financial clerk $8,820 in lieu of $7,320; executive clerk $4,500 in lieu of $4,380; secretary $4,500 in lieu of $4,100; assistant secretary $3,420 in lieu of $3,320; clerk of enrolled bills $4,500 in lieu of $3,900; secretary to parliamentarian $3,600 in lieu of $3,180; custodian of records $3,000 in lieu of $3,150; assistant bill clerk $3,000 in lieu of clerk $3,900; retirement clerk $3,420 in lieu of clerk $3,420; clerk $2,520 in lieu of stockroom clerk $2,460; assistant chief messenger $2,220 in lieu of clerk $2,220; reference assistant $2,520 in lieu of clerk $2,040; two assistants in document room at $2,520 each in lieu of two clerks at $1,980 each; superintendent, document room, $5,580 in lieu of $5,500; assistant superintendent, document room $4,380 in lieu of $4,000; first assistant, document room, $3,180 in lieu of $3,420; second assistant, document room, $3,060 in lieu of $2,460; four assistants in document room at $2,520 each in lieu of $2,220 each; chief messenger in document room $2,280 in lieu of $1,980; librarian $5,580 in lieu of $4,000; assistant librarian $4,380 in lieu of $3,180; secretary in library $8,060 in lieu of $2,220; legislative analyst $3,060 in lieu of $2,220; five reference assistants at $2,520 each in lieu of one reference assistant at $2,700, one reference assistant at $2,040, one reference assistant at $2,460, one reference assistant at $1,980, and one reference assistant at $1,980; messenger $2,040 in lieu of chief of library stacks $1,860; chief messenger in library $3,060 in lieu of $1,740; keeper of stationery $5,580 in lieu of $4,000; assistant keeper of stationery $4,380 in lieu of $2,520; two clerks at $2,520 each in lieu of one clerk at $2,700 and one clerk at $2,040; special officer in disbursing office $2,700 in lieu of special officer $2,460; messenger $2,040 in lieu of special officer $2,460; chief clerk, stationery room, $3,180 in lieu of press liaison $2,880; bookkeeper, stationery room, $3,060 in lieu of assistant at the press door $2,160; chief messenger in secretary's office $2,460 in lieu of $2,400; chief messenger in disbursing office $2,280 in lieu of $1,980; assistant chief messenger $2,100 in lieu of aide to the Vice President $2,460; eight messengers at $2,040 each in lieu of five messengers at $1,980 each, one messenger at $1,800, and two messengers at $1,620 each; clerk $3,340; clerk $2,340; assistant to the majority $7,320 in lieu of $8,000; assistant to the minority $7,320 in lieu of $8,000; assistant journal clerk $3,060; messenger, disbursing office, $2,040; reference assistant $2,520; three messengers at $2,040 each; and the basic amount available for clerical assistance and readjustment of salaries in the disbursing office is increased by $5,220.

JOINT RECORDING FACILITY

For compensation of employees of the joint recording facility appointed by the Secretary of the Senate and heretofore appropriated for under the heading "Office of the Secretary", $47,430: Provided, That effective August 1, 1955, the basic annual compensation of the coordinator, joint recording facility, shall be $7,020 per annum.

COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

For professional and clerical assistance to standing committees, and the Select Committee on Small Business, $1,767,045.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

For clerical assistance to the Conference of the Majority, at rates of compensation to be fixed by the chairman of said committee, $40,000;
For clerical assistance to the Conference of the Minority, at rates of compensation to be fixed by the chairman of said committee, $40,000;

ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL ASSISTANTS TO SENATORS

For administrative and clerical assistants and messenger service for Senators, including additional clerical assistants for each Senator from the State of Kentucky, as authorized by Public Law 3, Eighty-fourth Congress, and providing for additional clerical assistants for each Senator from the State of Massachusetts, so that the allowance for administrative and clerical assistance for such Senators will be equal to that allowed other Senators from States having a population of over five million but less than ten million, the population of said State having exceeded five million inhabitants, $6,247,555.

OFFICE OF SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

For Office of Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, $1,436,230: Provided, That, effective August 1, 1955, the gross annual compensation of the Sergeant at Arms shall be $17,500, and the basic annual compensation of the following positions shall be: secretary $2,520 in lieu of clerk $2,400; secretary $2,460 in lieu of clerk $2,160; three cabinetmakers at $2,640 each in lieu of $2,520 each; finisher $2,640 in lieu of $2,520; upholsterer $2,640 in lieu of $2,520; laborer in charge of private passage $2,460 in lieu of $2,400; two female attendants, ladies retiring room at $1,860 each in lieu of $1,800 each; three laborers at $1,980 each in lieu of $1,920 each; three skilled laborers at $1,920 each and one skilled laborer at $1,980 in lieu of four skilled laborers at $1,920 each; one laborer at $1,740, twenty-seven laborers at $1,680 each, and three laborers at $1,620 each in lieu of twenty-nine laborers at $1,620 each; assistant chief janitor $2,460 in lieu of $2,400; night foreman $1,980 in lieu of $1,920; superintendent, press gallery $4,860 in lieu of $4,800; first assistant superintendent, press gallery $4,200 in lieu of assistant superintendent, press gallery $4,100; second assistant superintendent, press gallery $2,880 in lieu of assistant superintendent, press gallery $2,800; third assistant superintendent, press gallery $2,880 in lieu of assistant superintendent, press gallery $2,800; fourth assistant superintendent, press gallery $2,880 in lieu of assistant superintendent, press gallery $2,800; press gallery $2,280 in lieu of assistant superintendent, press gallery $2,200; secretary, press gallery $1,860 in lieu of clerk, press gallery $1,800; superintendent, radio press gallery $4,800 in lieu of $4,700; first assistant superintendent, radio press gallery $3,060 in lieu of assistant superintendent, radio press gallery $3,000; second assistant superintendent, radio press gallery $2,580 in lieu of assistant in radio press gallery $2,500; third assistant superintendent, radio press gallery $2,580 in lieu of assistant in radio press gallery $2,500; superintendent, periodical press gallery $4,200 in lieu of $4,100; superintendent, service department $4,800 in lieu of $4,380; assistant superintendent, service department $3,960 in lieu of $3,760; foreman of duplicating department $2,880 in lieu of $2,800; chief machine operator $2,760 in lieu of $2,700; foreman, repairman $2,760 in lieu of clerk $2,460; three offset press operators at $2,340 each in lieu of $2,280 each; three mimeograph operators at $1,920 each in lieu of two mimeograph operators at $1,800 each; clerk typist $1,920, photostat operator $2,460, photostat helper $1,920, four addressograph operators at $2,160 each, machine operator $1,860, file clerk $1,920, two messengers at $1,740 each, and a technical clerk $2,160 in lieu of twelve machine operators at $1,740 each; chief clerk, deputy sergeant at arms $3,240; assistant chief clerk, deputy sergeant at arms $2,220; two mail carriers at $2,100 each; secretary to superintendent, service depart-
ment $2,760; supervisor, addressograph section $2,700; two offset press operators at $2,160 each; assistant chief machine operator $2,520; four messengers at $1,740 each; supervisor, supply section $2,700; repairman $2,580; repairman $2,520; file clerk $1,580; five warehousemen at $1,800 each; stockroom clerk $2,160; special officer $2,520; press liaison $2,880; assistant at the press door $2,160; messenger at card door $3,060; messenger $2,160; wagonmaster $2,580 in lieu of $2,520; assistant wagonmaster $2,160 in lieu of $2,100, and the positions wagonmaster and assistant wagonmaster are hereby transferred to the jurisdiction of the service department; postmaster $5,580 in lieu of $5,000; procurement officer, auditor, and deputy sergeant at arms $7,320 in lieu of $6,480; foreman of warehouse, service department $2,040 in lieu of $2,580; three clerks at $2,220 each in lieu of $2,160 each; file clerk $2,040 in lieu of $1,980; clerk in service department $2,040 in lieu of $1,980; and twenty-four pages at $1,800 each in lieu of twenty-eight pages at $1,800 each; clerk $4,440 in lieu of $4,320;

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND THE MINORITY

For the offices of the Secretary for the Majority and the Secretary for the Minority, $87,100: Provided, That effective August 1, 1955, the gross annual compensation of the Secretary for the Majority and the Secretary for the Minority shall be $14,800 per annum each; the basic annual compensation of the assistant Secretary for the Majority and the assistant Secretary for the Minority shall be $5,580 per annum each in lieu of $5,300 per annum each, and including two telephone ages for the majority and two telephone pages for the minority at $2,220 basic per annum each;

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY WHIPS

For two clerical assistants, one for the majority whip and one for the minority whip, at $4,440 basic each, $16,405;

In all $10,272,855, and the agency contribution for Federal Employees Group Insurance authorized to be paid from this appropriation by Public Law 598, Eighty-third Congress, shall be paid without regard to the above limitations.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

Legislative reorganization: For salaries and expenses, legislative reorganization, including the objects specified in Public Law 663, Seventy-ninth Congress, $100,000.

Senate policy committees: For salaries and expenses of the Majority Policy Committee and the Minority Policy Committee, $95,000 for each such committee; in all, $190,000;


Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, including the objects specified in Public Law 20, Eightieth Congress, $258,060.

Joint Committee on Printing: For salaries for the Joint Committee on Printing at rates to be fixed by the committee, $49,585; for expenses of compiling, preparing, and indexing the Congressional Directory, $1,600; for compiling, preparing, and indexing material for the biographical directory, $1,910, said sum, or any part thereof, in the discretion of the chairman or vice chairman of the Joint Committee on Printing, may be paid as additional compensation to any employee.
of the United States; and for travel and subsistence expenses at rates provided by law for Senate committees, $4,500; in all, $57,595.

Vice President's automobile: For purchase, exchange, driving, maintenance, and operation of an automobile for the Vice President, $8,460.

Automobile for the President pro tempore: For purchase, exchange, driving, maintenance, and operation of an automobile for the President pro tempore of the Senate, $8,460.

Automobiles for majority and minority leaders: For purchase, exchange, driving, maintenance, and operation of two automobiles, one for the majority leader of the Senate, and one for the minority leader of the Senate, $16,920.

Reporting Senate proceedings: For reporting the debates and proceedings of the Senate, payable in equal monthly installments, $146,210.

Furniture: For services in cleaning, repairing, and varnishing furniture, $3,190.

Furniture: For materials for furniture and repairs of same, and for the purchase of furniture, $19,000: Provided, That the furniture is not available from other agencies of the Government.

Inquiries and investigations: For expenses of inquiries and investigations ordered by the Senate or conducted pursuant to section 134 (a) of Public Law 601, Seventy-ninth Congress, including $400,000 for the Committee on Appropriations, to be available also for the purposes mentioned in Senate Resolution Numbered 193, agreed to October 14, 1943, and Public Law 20, Eightieth Congress, $1,224,120.

Folding documents: For the employment of personnel for folding speeches and pamphlets at a gross rate of not exceeding $1.61 per hour per person, $27,000.

Materials for folding: For materials for folding, $1,500.

Fuel and so forth: For fuel, oil, cotton waste, and advertising, exclusive of labor, $2,000.

Senate restaurants: For repairs, improvements, equipment, and supplies for Senate kitchens and restaurants, Capitol Building and Senate Office Building, including personal and other services, to be expended under the supervision of the Committee on Rules and Administration, United States Senate, $55,000.

Motor vehicles: For maintaining, exchanging, and equipping motor vehicles for carrying the mails and for official use of the offices of the Secretary and Sergeant at Arms, $8,560.

Miscellaneous Items: For miscellaneous items, exclusive of labor, including $1,600 for the Committee on Rules and Administration to be available for expenses of compiling, preparing, and indexing material for the Senate Manual, and including $16,104 to be available for reimbursement to General Services Administration for space furnished the United States Senate as approved by the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, and Senate Resolution 230, agreed to March 16, 1942 and Senate Resolution 175, agreed to July 7, 1943 are repealed effective August 1, 1955, $1,290,680.

Packing boxes: For packing boxes, $4,000.

Postage stamps: For office of the Secretary, $650; office of the Sergeant at Arms, $1,225; offices of the secretaries for the majority and the minority, $100; in all $1,975.

Airmail and special-delivery stamps: For airmail and special-delivery stamps for Senators and the President of the Senate, as authorized by law, $29,100, and the maximum allowance per capita of $200 is increased to $300 for the fiscal year 1956 and thereafter.

Stationery: For stationery for Senators and for the President of the Senate, including $10,000 for stationery for committees and officers
of the Senate, $184,600: Provided, That commencing with the fiscal year 1956 and thereafter the allowance for stationery for each Senator and for the President of the Senate shall be at the rate of $1,800 per annum.

Communications: For an amount for communications which may be expended interchangeably for payment, in accordance with such limitations and restrictions as may be prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Administration, of charges on official telegrams and long-distance telephone calls made by or on behalf of Senators or the President of the Senate, such telephone calls to be in addition to those authorized by the provisions of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1947 (60 Stat. 392; 2 U. S. C. 46c, 46d, 46e), the First Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1949 (63 Stat. 77; 2 U. S. C. 46d-1), Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, Public Law 254, Eighty-second Congress, Public Law 178, Eighty-third Congress, and Public Law 470, Eighty-third Congress, $14,550.

The Sergeant at Arms is authorized and directed to secure suitable office space in post office or other Federal buildings in the State of each Senator for the use of such Senator and in the city to be designated by him: Provided, That in the event suitable space is not available in such buildings and a Senator leases or rents office space elsewhere, the Sergeant at Arms is authorized to approve for payment, from the contingent fund of the Senate, vouchers covering bona fide statements of rentals due in an amount not exceeding $900 per annum for each Senator.

The Sergeant at Arms of the Senate is authorized and directed to approve for payment from the contingent fund of the Senate to each Senator an amount not to exceed $150 quarterly, upon certification of each such Senator, for official office expenses incurred in his State.

The Secretary of the Senate and the Sergeant at Arms are authorized and directed to protect the funds of their respective offices by purchasing insurance in an amount necessary to protect said funds against loss. Premiums on such insurance shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the Senate, upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Salaries or wages paid out of the foregoing items under “Contingent expenses of the Senate” shall be computed at basic rates, plus increased and additional compensation, as authorized and provided by law.

No part of the foregoing appropriations made under the heading “Contingent expenses of the Senate” may be expended for per diem and subsistence expenses (as defined in the Travel Expense Act of 1949, as amended) at rates in excess of $12 per day; except that (1) higher rates may be established by the Committee on Rules and Administration for travel beyond the limits of the continental United States, and (2) in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, reimbursement for such expenses may be made on an actual expense basis of not to exceed $25 per day in the case of travel within the continental limits of the United States.

Compensation for stenographic assistance of committees paid out of the foregoing items under “Contingent expenses of the Senate” shall be computed at such rates and in accordance with such regulations as may be prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Administration, notwithstanding, and without regard to, any other provision of law.

The contingent fund of the Senate is hereby made available for reimbursement for mileage, at the rate of 10 cents per mile, for one round trip in each fiscal year by the nearest route usually traveled.
between Washington, District of Columbia, and a Senator's residence in his home State, to not exceed two employees in each Senator's office, such reimbursement to be made upon vouchers approved by the Senator and containing a certification by him that such travel was performed in line of official duty.

The basic compensation of any employee of any joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives whose basic compensation is paid from the contingent fund of the Senate, of any select committee of the Senate (including the conference majority and conference minority of the Senate), or of any subcommittee of a standing or select committee of the Senate, shall not exceed $8,000 per annum. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this paragraph and the provisions of section 202 (e) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended (2 U. S. C. 72a (e)), the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution providing for a more effective staff organization for standing committees of the Senate", approved February 19, 1947, as amended (2 U. S. C. 72a-1), and the paragraph under the heading "Senate Policy Committee" in the First Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1947, the basic compensation of one employee of each standing or select committee of the Senate (including the majority and minority policy committees and the majority conference of the Senate and the minority conference of the Senate), and each joint committee of the two Houses, the expenses of which are paid from the contingent fund of the Senate, whose basic compensation may be fixed under such provisions at a rate of $8,000 per annum, may be fixed at any rate not in excess of $8,820 per annum and, the basic compensation of one employee of each such committee may be fixed at any rate not in excess of $8,460 per annum. For the purpose of this paragraph, an employee of a subcommittee shall be considered to be an employee of the full committee.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following changes are made with respect to positions under the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

(1) The title of each position shown below in the first column shall be that shown in the second column and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic per annum salary of such position shall be the amount shown in the third column.
Positions under Sergeant at Arms.

(2) The position of "reading clerk No. 3" set forth in the table in paragraph (1) of this section shall terminate whenever a vacancy occurs in a position of "reading clerk".

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic salary for the position shown below in the first column shall be the amount shown in the second column.

(4) The title of one position of "assistant clerk, house administration" is changed to "assistant in disbursing office" and the basic salary for such position shall be $3,000 per annum. Such position shall be under the Clerk of the House of Representatives on and after the effective date of this section.

(5) The position of "administrative assistant (Joint Recording Facility)" is created at the basic salary of $4,800 per annum.

SEC. 2. The following changes are made with respect to positions under the Sergeant at Arms:

(1) The title of each position shown below in the first column shall be that shown in the second column and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic per annum salary of such position shall be the amount shown in the third column.
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Sec. 3. The following changes are made with respect to positions under the Doorkeeper:

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(2) The title of four positions of “laborer (cloakroom)” (payroll numbers 1 through 4), at the basic per annum salary for each such position of $1,380, is changed to “cloakroom attendant”. The title of the position of “1 laborer” is changed to “chief barber, Capitol” and the basic salary of such position shall be $1,500 per annum. The title of the position of “laborer (cloakroom)” is changed to “chief barber, Old House Office Building” and the basic salary of such position shall be $1,500 per annum. The title of six positions of “laborer (cloakroom)” (payroll numbers 1 through 6) is changed to “barber” and the basic salary for each such position shall be $1,400 per annum. The title of three positions of “clerk” (folding room) (payroll numbers 1 through 3) is changed to “ledger clerk, folding room” and the basic salary for each such position shall be $2,460 per annum.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic salary for the position shown below in the first column shall be the amount shown in the second column.
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<tr>
<td>1 Floor manager of telephones, majority</td>
<td>$5,500</td>
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<td>2 Floor manager of telephones, minority</td>
<td>$5,300</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Chief page (majority)</td>
<td>$5,000</td>
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<td>2 Chief page (minority)</td>
<td>$5,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Assistant superintendent (document room)</td>
<td>$3,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Clerk (document room)</td>
<td>$3,100</td>
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<td>Assistant clerk (document room)</td>
<td>$2,600</td>
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<td>Assistant (document room) (payroll numbers 1 through 7)</td>
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<td>$1,650</td>
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<td>Chief junior</td>
<td>$4,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Foreman of laborers</td>
<td>$2,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Laborer (Janitor's force) (payroll numbers 1 through 24)</td>
<td>$1,650</td>
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<tr>
<td>Superintendent (folding room)</td>
<td>$4,600</td>
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<td>Foreman (folding room)</td>
<td>$3,100</td>
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<td>Assistant foreman (folding room)</td>
<td>$2,600</td>
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<td>Folder (24 positions)</td>
<td>$1,740</td>
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<td>Driver (folding room) (payroll numbers 1 and 2)</td>
<td>$1,450</td>
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<td>1 Laborer (folding room)</td>
<td>$1,650</td>
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<td>Janitor (folding room)</td>
<td>$1,650</td>
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(4) The title of the position of "8 assistant" (document room) under the Doorkeeper of the House of Representatives, is changed to "clerk, clerk's document room" and the basic salary of such position shall be $2,400 per annum. Such position shall be under the Clerk of the House of Representatives, on and after the effective date of this section.

Sec. 4. The following changes are made with respect to positions under the Postmaster:

(1) The title of the position of "clerk in charge (b. p. o. C.) is changed to "registry and money order clerk (Capitol)" and the basic salary of such position shall be $2,300 per annum. The title of one position of "messenger" is changed to "registry and money order clerk (Library of Congress)" and the basic salary of such position shall be $2,300 per annum. The title of one position of "messenger" is changed to "superintendent of day mail" and the basic salary of such position shall be $2,200 per annum. The title of one position of "messenger" is changed to "superintendent of night mail" and the basic salary of such position shall be $2,200 per annum. The title of forty-one positions of "messenger" is changed to "mail clerk" and the basic salary for each such position shall be $2,100 per annum.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic salary for the position shown below in the first column shall be the amount shown in the second column.

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<tr>
<td>Assistant postmaster</td>
<td>$3,380</td>
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<tr>
<td>Laborer</td>
<td>$1,550</td>
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<tr>
<td>Secretary to postmaster</td>
<td>$2,300</td>
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</table>

Sec. 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the annual rate of compensation of the Postmaster of the House of Representatives shall be $12,150.

Sec. 6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic salary for the position shown below in the first column shall be the amount shown in the second column.

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<tr>
<td>Chaplain</td>
<td>$4,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Technical assistant (attending physician)</td>
<td>$4,200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Expert transcriber (official committee reporters) (Payroll numbers 1 through 8)</td>
<td>$2,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Expert transcriber (official reporters of debates) (Payroll numbers 1 through 7)</td>
<td>$2,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Clerk (official committee reporters)</td>
<td>$4,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Printing clerk (majority)</td>
<td>$2,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Printing clerk (minority)</td>
<td>$2,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 Minority employee (pair clerk)</td>
<td>$5,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>6 Minority employee</td>
<td>$4,500</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
Sec. 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the monthly allowance for each enlisted man of the United States Navy assigned to the attending physician shall be $75.

Sec. 8. The following changes are made with respect to positions in the House Press, Radio Press, and Periodical Press Galleries:

(1) House Press Gallery:
(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic salary for the position shown below in the first column shall be the amount shown in the second column.

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<tr>
<td>Superintendent</td>
<td>$5,300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>First assistant superintendent</td>
<td>4,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Second assistant superintendent</td>
<td>3,800</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fourth assistant superintendent</td>
<td>2,580</td>
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(2) Radio Press Gallery:
(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic salary for the position shown below in the first column shall be the amount shown in the second column.

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<td>Superintendent</td>
<td>$5,200</td>
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<td>4,000</td>
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<td>Second assistant superintendent</td>
<td>3,500</td>
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(3) Periodical Press Gallery:
(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the basic salary of the position of "Superintendent of the Periodical Press Gallery" shall be $4,300 per annum.

Sec. 9. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the annual rate of compensation of the Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives and of the Chief of Staff of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation shall be an amount which is equal to $15,000, increased by an amount which is the same percentage of $15,000 as the percentage set forth in section 4 (c) of the Federal Employees Salary Increase Act of 1955.

Sec. 10. Whenever a section under this heading refers to a position by its existing title (for example, stenographer to the clerk), or by its existing title and a number (for example, 1 assistant to chief bill clerk), the reference is to the position having that title, or that title and that number, on the payroll in the various offices of the House of Representatives, as prepared by the Clerk of the House of Representatives for the month of June 1955.

Sec. 11. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the clerk hire of each Member of the House of Representatives, Delegate from a Territory, and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico shall be at the basic rate of $17,500 per annum. No person shall be paid from such clerk hire at a basic rate in excess of $7,000 per annum, and not more than one person shall be paid at a basic rate of $7,000 per annum from such clerk hire at any one time.

(b) The joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution providing for pay to clerks to Members of Congress and Delegates" approved January 25, 1923, as amended (2 U. S. C., sec. 92), is amended by striking out "to one, two, or three persons" and inserting in lieu thereof "to those persons, not to exceed eight in number."

Sec. 12. Subsection (e) of section 202 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended (2 U. S. C., sec. 72a (e)), is amended (1) by striking out "$8,000" where it first appears in such subsection and inserting in lieu thereof "$8,820", and (2) by striking out "$8,000" at the second place where it appears in such subsection and inserting in lieu thereof "$8,820".

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Clerk hire.

53 Stat. 1080.

60 Stat. 835.
Sec. 13. (a) This section is enacted as an exercise of the rule-making power of the House of Representatives with full recognition of the constitutional right of the House of Representatives to change the rule amended by this section at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of the House of Representatives.

(b) Clause 27 (c) of the Rules of the House of Representatives is amended (1) by striking out "$8,000" where it first appears in such clause and inserting in lieu thereof "$8,820", and (2) by striking out "$8,000" at the second place where it appears in such clause and inserting in lieu thereof ""$8,820"".

Sec. 14. The foregoing provisions under "House of Representatives" shall take effect August 1, 1955.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The appropriations, authorizations, and authority with respect thereto in this Act shall be available from July 1, 1955, unless otherwise provided, for the purposes provided in such appropriations, authorizations, and authority. All obligations incurred during the period between June 30, 1955, and the date of enactment of this Act in anticipation of such appropriations, authorizations, and authority are hereby ratified and confirmed if in accordance with the terms hereof.

SENATE

No officer or employee, whose compensation is disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate shall be paid basic compensation at a rate in excess of $8,820 per annum, or gross compensation at a rate in excess of $14,800 per annum, unless otherwise expressly authorized by this Act.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SALARIES, MILEAGE, AND EXPENSES OF MEMBERS

For compensation of Members (wherever used herein the term "Member" shall include Members of the House of Representatives, Delegates from Territories, and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico), $9,896,000.

For mileage of Members and expense allowance of the Speaker, as authorized by law, $200,000.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

For compensation of officers and employees, as authorized by law, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER

For the Office of the Speaker, $47,285.

OFFICE OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN

For the Office of the Parliamentarian, including $2,000 for preparing the Digest of the Rules, $44,920.

OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

For the Office of the Chaplain, $4,200.
OFFICE OF THE CLERK

For the Office of the Clerk, $767,500.

COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

For committee employees, including not to exceed $375,000 for the Committee on Appropriations; $1,950,510.

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS

For the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, $384,045.

OFFICE OF THE DOORKEEPER

For the Office of the Doorkeeper, $704,275.

SPECIAL AND MINORITY EMPLOYEES

For six minority employees, $54,685.
For the office of the majority floor leader, including $2,000 for official expenses of the majority leader, $48,000.
For the office of the minority floor leader, $21,150.
For the office of the majority whip, $21,150.
For the office of the minority whip, $21,150.
For two printing clerks, one for the majority caucus room and one for the minority caucus room, to be appointed by the majority and minority leaders, respectively, $7,485.
For a technical assistant in the office of the attending physician, to be appointed by the attending physician, subject to the approval of the Speaker, $6,295.

OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER

For the Office of the Postmaster, including employment of substitute messengers, and extra services of regular employees when required at the basic salary rate of not to exceed $1,940, per annum each, $198,775.

OFFICIAL REPORTERS OF DEBATES

For official reporters of debates, $124,435.

OFFICIAL REPORTERS TO COMMITTEES

For official reporters to committees, $133,855.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

For salaries and expenses, studies and examinations of executive agencies, by the Committee on Appropriations, and temporary personal services for such committee, to be expended in accordance with section 209 (b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act, 1946, and to be available for reimbursement to agencies for services performed, $500,000.

MEMBERS' CLERK HIRE

For clerk hire, necessarily employed by each Member in the discharge of his official and representative duties, which shall be at the basic rate of $15,000 per annum: Provided, That no salary shall be fixed hereunder at a basic rate in excess of $6,000 per annum; $11,500,000.
Furniture: For furniture and materials for repairs of the same, including labor, tools, and machinery for furniture repair shops, and for the purchase of packing boxes, $245,000.

Miscellaneous items: For miscellaneous items, exclusive of salaries unless specifically ordered by the House of Representatives, including the sum of $30,000 for payment to the Architect of the Capitol in accordance with section 208 of the Act, approved October 9, 1940 (Public Law 812); the exchange, operation, maintenance, and repair of the Clerk's motor vehicles; the exchange, operation, maintenance, and repair of the folding room motor truck; the exchange, maintenance, operation, and repair of the post office motor vehicles for carrying the mails; the sum of $600 for hire of automobile for the Sergeant at Arms; materials for folding; and for stationery for the use of committees, departments, and officers of the House; $865,000.

Reporting hearings: For stenographic reports of hearings of committees other than special and select committees, $125,000.

Special and select committees: For salaries and expenses of special and select committees authorized by the House, $1,250,000.

Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation: For the payment of the salaries and other expenses of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, $200,000.

Joint Committee on Immigration and Nationality Policy: For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Immigration and Nationality Policy, $20,000.

Office of the Coordinator of Information: For salaries and other expenses of the Office of the Coordinator of Information, $82,925.

Telegraph and telephone: For telegraph and telephone service, exclusive of personal services, $800,000.

Stationery (revolving fund): For a stationery allowance for each Member, for the second session of the Eighty-fourth Congress, $525,600, to remain available until expended.

Attending physician's office: For medical supplies, equipment, and contingent expenses of the emergency room and for the attending physician and his assistants, including an allowance of $1,500 to be paid to the attending physician in equal monthly installments as authorized by the Act approved June 27, 1949 (54 Stat. 629), and including an allowance of not to exceed $30 per month each to four assistants as provided by the House resolutions adopted July 1, 1930, January 20, 1932, and November 18, 1940, $8,985.

Postage stamps: Postmaster, $320; Clerk, $640; Sergeant at Arms, $480; Doorkeeper, $400; United States airmail and special-delivery postage stamps for each Member, the Speaker, the majority and minority leaders, the majority and minority whips, and to each standing committee, as authorized by law; $92,760.

Folding documents: For folding speeches and pamphlets, at a gross rate not exceeding $2 per thousand or for the employment of personnel at a gross rate not exceeding $1.50 per hour per person, $125,000.

Revision of laws: For preparation and editing of the laws as authorized by the Act approved May 29, 1928 (1 U. S. C. 59), $13,700, to be expended under the direction of the Committee on the Judiciary.

Speaker's automobile: For purchase, exchange, driving, maintenance, repair, and operation of an automobile for the Speaker, $7,300.

Automobile for the majority leader: For purchase, exchange, driving, maintenance, repair, and operation of an automobile for the majority leader of the House, $5,885.
Automobile for the minority leader: For purchase, exchange, driving, maintenance, repair, and operation of an automobile for the minority leader of the House, $5,835.

Preparation of the new edition of U. S. Code, $100,000, to remain available until expended.

**Administrative Provisions**

Salaries or wages paid out of the items herein for the House of Representatives shall hereafter be computed at basic rates, plus increased and additional compensation, as authorized and provided by law.

The Clerk of the House is hereafter authorized and directed to reimburse each Member from the contingent fund in an amount not to exceed $150 quarterly, upon certification of the Member, for official office expenses incurred in his congressional district.

The Sergeant at Arms of the House is hereafter authorized and directed to make such arrangements as may be necessary for any committee appointed to attend the funeral of a deceased Member, and there shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the House, under such rules and regulations as the Committee on House Administration may prescribe, such sums as may be necessary toward defraying the funeral expenses of the deceased; and to defray the expenses of any such committee consisting of not more than six members (not more than four from the House and two from the Senate), the Sergeant at Arms of the House or a representative of his office, the widow or widower and/or minor children of the deceased, incurred in attending the funeral rites and burial of such Member.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5 (b) of the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, the Clerk of the House is hereafter authorized to pay, from the contingent fund of the House, with respect to all House employees who are insured under such Act, the amounts which, under the terms of such section 5 (b), otherwise would be contributed from the appropriations or funds specified therein. As used in this paragraph the term “House employees” means employees in the Legislative Branch whose salaries, wages, or other compensation are disbursed by the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

**Capitol Police**

General expenses: For purchasing and supplying uniforms; the purchase, maintenance, and repair of police motor vehicles, including two-way police radio equipment; contingent expenses, including $25 per month for extra services performed for the Capitol Police Board by such member of the staff of the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate or the House, as may be designated by the Chairman of the Board; $17,900.

Capitol Police Board: To enable the Capitol Police Board to provide additional protection for the Capitol Buildings and Grounds, including the Senate and House Office Buildings and the Capitol Power Plant, $76,940. Such sum shall be expended only for payment for salaries and other expenses of personnel detailed from the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia, and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized and directed to make such details upon the request of the Board. Personnel so detailed shall, during the period of such detail, serve under the direction and instructions of the Board and is authorized to exercise the same authority as members of such Metropolitan Police and members of the Capitol Police and to perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board. Reimbursement for salaries and other expenses of such detail...
personnel shall be made to the government of the District of Columbia, and any sums so reimbursed shall be credited to the appropriation or appropriations from which such salaries and expenses are payable and shall be available for all the purposes thereof: Provided, That any person detailed under the authority of this paragraph or under similar authority in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1942, and the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1940, from the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia shall be deemed a member of such Metropolitan Police during the period or periods of any such detail for all purposes of rank, pay, allowances, privileges, and benefits to the same extent as though such detail had not been made, and at the termination thereof any such person who was a member of such police on July 1, 1940, shall have a status with respect to rank, pay, allowances, privileges, and benefits which is not less than the status of such person in such police at the end of such detail; Provided further, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are directed to pay the lieutenants detailed under the authority of this paragraph the same salary as that paid in fiscal year 1955 plus $625 each and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as these positions are held by the present incumbents.

Disbursement.

The foregoing amounts under "Capitol Police" shall be disbursed by the Clerk of the House.

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

For salaries and expenses of maintenance of the Office of the Legislative Counsel, as authorized by law, including increased and additional compensation as provided by law, $290,000, of which $153,000 shall be disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate and $137,000 shall be disbursed by the Clerk of the House: Provided, That effective August 1, 1955, the gross annual compensation of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate shall be $15,500 per annum.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON REDUCTION OF NONESSENTIAL FEDERAL EXPENDITURES

For an amount to enable the Joint Committee on Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures to carry out the duties imposed upon it by section 601 of the Revenue Act of 1941 (55 Stat. 726), to remain available during the existence of the committee, $22,500, to be disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate.

EDUCATION OF SENATE AND HOUSE PAGES

For education of congressional pages and pages of the Supreme Court, pursuant to section 243 of the Legislative Reorganization Act, 1946, $47,280, which amount shall be advanced and credited to the applicable appropriation of the District of Columbia, and the Board of Education of the District of Columbia is hereby authorized to employ such personnel for the education of pages as may be required and to pay compensation for such services in accordance with such rates of compensation as the Board of Education may prescribe.

PENALTY MAIL COSTS

For expenses necessary under section 2 of Public Law 286, Eighty-third Congress, $1,978,000, to be available immediately.
STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

For the preparation, under the direction of the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, of the statements for the first session of the Eighty-fourth Congress, showing appropriations made, indefinite appropriations, and contracts authorized, together with a chronological history of the regular appropriation bills as required by law, $8,000, to be paid to the persons designated by the chairmen of such committees to supervise the work.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

OFFICE OF THE ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

Salaries: For the Architect of the Capitol, Assistant Architect of the Capitol, and Second Assistant Architect of the Capitol, at salary rates of $17,500, $14,800, and $2,500 additional so long as the position is held by the present incumbent, and $14,300 per annum, respectively, and other personal services at rates of pay provided by law; and the Assistant Architect of the Capitol shall act as Architect of the Capitol during the absence or disability of that official or whenever there is no Architect, and, in case of the absence or disability of the Assistant Architect, the Second Assistant Architect of the Capitol shall so act; and the Architect of the Capitol is authorized hereafter to delegate to the Assistant Architect and other assistants such authority of the Architect as he may deem proper; $186,200.

Appropriations under the control of the Architect of the Capitol shall be available for expenses of travel on official business not to exceed in the aggregate under all funds the sum of $3,000.

Contingent expenses: To enable the Architect of the Capitol to make surveys and studies and to meet unforeseen expenses in connection with activities under his care, $50,000.

CAPITOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Capitol Buildings: For necessary expenditures for the Capitol Building and electrical substations of the Senate and House Office Buildings, under the jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol, including minor improvements, maintenance, repair, equipment, supplies, material, fuel, oil, waste, and appurtenances; furnishings and office equipment; special and protective clothing for workmen; personal and other services; cleaning and repairing works of art without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; purchase or exchange, maintenance and operation of passenger motor vehicle; not to exceed $300 for the purchase of necessary reference books and periodicals; not to exceed $150 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Architect of the Capitol, at meetings or conventions in connection with subjects related to work under the Architect of the Capitol; $1,140,000 of which $285,000 shall be available for the installation of two additional elevators in the Senate wing of the Capitol, to be located adjacent to and east of the existing elevators at the main east front entrance to the Senate wing.

Extension of the Capitol: The Architect of the Capitol is hereby authorized, under the direction of a Commission for Extension of the United States Capitol, to be composed of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate, the minority leader of the House of Representatives, and the Architect of the Capitol, to provide for the extension, reconstruction, and replacement of the central portion of the United States Capitol, $41 USC 5.

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States Capitol in substantial accordance with scheme B of the architectural plan submitted by a joint commission of Congress and reported to Congress on March 3, 1905 (House Document numbered 385, Fifty-eighth Congress), but with such modifications and additions, including provisions for restaurant facilities, and such other facilities in the Capitol Grounds, together with utilities, equipment, approaches, and other appurtenant or necessary items, as may be approved by said Commission, and for such purposes there is hereby appropriated $5,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Architect of the Capitol under the direction of said Commission and without regard to the provisions of section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is authorized to enter into contracts and to make such other expenditures, including expenditures for personal and other services, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act and to obligate the additional sums herein authorized prior to the actual appropriation thereof.

Capitol Grounds: For care and improvement of grounds surrounding the Capitol, Senate and House Office Buildings; Capitol Power Plant; personal and other services; care of trees; planting; fertilizers; repairs to pavements, walks, and roadways; waterproof wearing apparel; maintenance of signal lights; and for snow removal by hire of men and equipment or under contract without compliance with section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; $280,000.

Subway transportation, Capitol and Senate Office Buildings: For maintenance, repairs, and rebuilding of the subway transportation system connecting the Senate Office Building with the Capitol, including personal and other services, $3,500.

Senate Office Building: For maintenance, miscellaneous items and supplies, including furniture, furnishings, and equipment, and for labor and material incident thereto, and repairs thereof; for purchase of waterproof wearing apparel and for personal and other services; including five female attendants in charge of ladies' retiring rooms at $1,800 each, for the care and operation of the Senate Office Building; to be expended under the control and supervision of the Architect of the Capitol, in all, $960,690.

ADDITIONAL OFFICE BUILDING FOR THE UNITED STATES SENATE

Construction and equipment of additional Senate Office Building: To enable the Architect of the Capitol, under the direction of the Senate Office Building Commission, to continue to provide for the construction and equipment of a fireproof office building for the use of the United States Senate, in accordance with the provisions of the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1948 (62 Stat. 1029), $8,500,000. Provided, That no part of the funds herein appropriated shall be obligated or expended for construction of the rear center wing of said building, from the ground floor up, provided for under the building plans heretofore approved by such Commission.

Legislative garage: For maintenance, repairs, alterations, personal and other services, and all other necessary expenses, $125,000.

House Office Buildings: For maintenance, including equipment, waterproof wearing apparel, miscellaneous items, and all necessary services, $93,500.

Capitol Power Plant: For lighting, heating, and power (including the purchase of electrical energy), for the Capitol, Senate and House Office Buildings, Supreme Court Building, Congressional Library Buildings, and the grounds about the same, Botanic Garden, legislative garage, and for air-conditioning refrigeration not supplied from
plants in any of such buildings; for heating the Government Printing Office, Washington City Post Office and Folger Shakespeare Library, reimbursement for which shall be made and covered into the Treasury; personal and other services, fuel, oil, materials, waterproof wearing apparel, and all other necessary expenses in connection with the maintenance and operation of the plant, $1,279,500.

Changes and improvements, Capitol Power Plant: Toward carrying out the changes and improvements authorized by the Act of October 26, 1949 (Public Law 413, Eighty-first Congress), $1,800,000, to be expended by the Architect of the Capitol under the direction of the House Office Building Commission.

**LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

Structural and mechanical care: For the necessary expenditures for mechanical and structural maintenance, including minor improvements, equipment, supplies, waterproof wearing apparel, and personal and other services, $752,500.

Furniture and furnishings: For furniture, partitions, screens, shelving, and electrical work pertaining thereto and repairs thereof, office and library equipment, apparatus, and labor-saving devices, $68,000.

**BOTANIC GARDEN**

Salaries and expenses: For all necessary expenses incident to maintaining, operating, repairing, and improving the Botanic Garden and the nurseries, buildings, grounds, collections, and equipment pertaining thereto, including personal services (including not to exceed $3,000 for temporary labor without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended); waterproof wearing apparel; not to exceed $25 for emergency medical supplies; traveling expenses including streetcar fares, not to exceed $275; the prevention and eradication of insect and other pests and plant diseases by purchase of materials and procurement of personal services by contract without regard to the provisions of any other Act; purchase and exchange of motor trucks; purchase and exchange, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger motor vehicle; purchase of botanical books, periodicals, and books of reference, not to exceed $100; repairs and improvements to Director’s residence; all under the direction of the Joint Committee on the Library; $246,000. *Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for the distribution, by congressional allotment, of trees, plants, shrubs, or other nursery stock.*

**LIBRARY OF CONGRESS**

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Library of Congress not otherwise provided for, including compensation of the Librarian Emeritus, as authorized by law; development and maintenance of the Union Catalogs; custody, care, and maintenance of the Library Buildings; special clothing; and expenses of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board not properly chargeable to the income of any trust fund held by the Board; $4,860,000.

**COPYRIGHT OFFICE**

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Copyright Office, including publication of the decisions of the United States courts involving copyrights, $1,158,000.
Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U. S. C. 166), $984,877: Provided, That no part of this appropriation may be used to pay any salary or expense in connection with any publication, or preparation of material therefor (except the Digest of Public General Bills), to be issued by the Library of Congress unless such publication has obtained prior approval of either the Committee on House Administration or the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Distribution of Catalog Cards**

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the preparation and distribution of catalog cards and other publications of the Library, $1,350,000.

**Increase of the Library of Congress**

General increase of the Library: For expenses (except personal services) necessary for acquisition of books, periodicals and newspapers, and all other material for the increase of the Library, $300,000, to continue available during the next succeeding fiscal year.

Increase of the law library: For expenses (except personal services) necessary for acquisition of books, legal periodicals, and all other material for the increase of the law library, $90,000, to continue available during the next succeeding fiscal year.

Books for the Supreme Court: For the purchase of books and periodicals for the Supreme Court, to be a part of the Library of Congress, and purchased by the Librarian of the Supreme Court, under the direction of the Chief Justice, $25,000.

**Books for the Blind**

For salaries and other expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to provide books for the blind", approved March 3, 1931 (2 U. S. C. 135a), as amended, $1,000,000.

**Administrative Provisions**

Appropriations in this Act available to the Library of Congress for salaries shall be available for expenses of investigating the loyalty of Library employees; special and temporary services (including employees engaged by the day or hour or in piecework); and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a).

Not to exceed ten positions in the Library of Congress may be exempt from the provisions of appropriation Acts concerning the employment of aliens during the current fiscal year, but the Librarian shall not make any appointment to any such position until he has ascertained that he cannot secure for such appointments a person in any of the categories specified in such provisions who possesses the special qualifications for the particular position and also otherwise meets the general requirements for employment in the Library of Congress.

Appropriations in this Act available to the Library of Congress shall be available, in an amount not to exceed $10,000, when specifically authorized by the Librarian, for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the function or activity for which the appropriation is made.
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

PRINTING AND BINDING

For authorized printing and binding for the Congress; not to exceed $7,500 for printing and binding for the Architect of the Capitol; expenses necessary for preparing the semimonthly and session index to the Congressional Record, as authorized by law (44 U. S. C. 182); printing, binding, and distribution of the Federal Register (including the Code of Federal Regulations), as authorized by law (44 U. S. C. 309, 311, 311a); and printing and binding of Government publications authorized by law to be distributed without charge to the recipients; $8,800,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall not be available for printing and binding part II of the annual report of the Secretary of Agriculture (known as the Yearbook of Agriculture).

REVOLVING FUND

The paragraph in the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1954 (67 Stat. 330), establishing the Government Printing Office Revolving Fund is hereby amended by striking out the words “expenses of attendance at meetings, when authorized by the Joint Committee on Printing” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “expenses of attendance at meetings not to exceed $3,000 in any fiscal year”.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Office of Superintendent of Documents, including personal services in accordance with the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, and compensation of employees who shall be subject to the provisions of the Act entitled “An Act to regulate and fix rates of pay for employees and officers of the Government Printing Office”, approved June 7, 1924 (44 U. S. C. 40); traveling expenses (not to exceed $1,500); price lists and bibliographies; repairs to buildings, elevators, and machinery; and supplying books to depository libraries; $2,850,000: Provided, That no part of this sum shall be used to supply to depository libraries any documents, books, or other printed matter not requested by such libraries, and the requests therefor shall be subject to approval by the Superintendent of Documents.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

For necessary expenses of the Theodore Roosevelt Centennial Commission, $10,000, to remain available until October 27, 1959: Provided, That this paragraph shall be effective only upon enactment into law of H. J. Res. 273, Eighty-fourth Congress, first session.

COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the Commission on Government Security, including expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation, $50,000.

WOODROW WILSON CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMISSION

For an additional amount for “Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission”, $41,500, to remain available until June 30, 1957.
PUBLIC LAW 242—AUG. 5, 1955

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 102. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the maintenance or care of private vehicles.

SEC. 103. Whenever any office or position not specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of 1929 is appropriated for herein or whenever the rate of compensation or designation of any position appropriated for herein is different from that specifically established for such position by such Act, the rate of compensation and the designation of the position, or either, appropriated for or provided herein, shall be the permanent law with respect thereto: Provided, That the provisions herein for the various items of official expenses of Members, Officers, and Committees of the House, and Clerk Hire for Members shall be the permanent law with respect thereto: Provided further, That the provisions relating to positions and salaries thereof carried in H. Res. 714 of the Eighty-third Congress and H. Res. 73, 74, 75, 81, 82, 140, 163, and 195 of the Eighty-fourth Congress shall be the permanent law with respect thereto.

SEC. 104. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be paid as compensation to any person appointed after June 30, 1935, as an officer or member of the Capitol Police who does not meet the standards to be prescribed for such appointees by the Capitol Police Board: Provided, That the Capitol Police Board is hereby authorized to detail police from the House Office, Senate Office, and Capitol Buildings for police duty on the Capitol Grounds.

SEC. 105. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section, engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

This Act may be cited as the “Legislative Appropriation Act, 1956”. Approved August 5, 1955.
### Public Law 243

#### AN ACT

To fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

**Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,**

**TITLE I—SALARY SCHEDULES**

**SECTION 1.** That the following are the salary schedules for teachers, school officers, and certain other employees of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia whose positions are included therein:

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TITLE II—CLASSIFICATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF EMPLOYEES

Sec. 2. (a) The Board of Education on written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to establish the eligibility requirements and prescribe methods of appointment and promotion for teachers, school officers, and other employees. The Board of Education is authorized and directed, on written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to classify and assign all teachers, school officers, and other employees to the salary classes and groups in section 1 of this Act. Teachers, school officers, and other employees on probationary or permanent status shall not be required to take any examinations, either mental or physical, to be continued in the positions in which they are employed on June 30, 1955, or to which they may be transferred and assigned under the provisions of section 4 and section 5 of this Act. No teacher, school officer, or other employee shall be appointed or promoted to any position in section 1 of this Act on probationary or permanent status unless he possesses a master's degree, except that a person possessing a bachelor's degree may be appointed on probationary or permanent status as Director of Food Services, Assistant Director of Food Services, Supervising Director of the Department of Military Science and Tactics, teacher of military science and tactics, teacher of driver training, shop teacher in the vocational high schools, teacher in the junior high schools, counselor in the vocational high schools, counselor in the junior high schools, teacher in the elementary schools, research assistant, attendance officer, child labor inspector, or census supervisor. No teacher, school officer, or other employee shall receive compensation at a rate less than his annual compensation as of June 30, 1955.
(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act the Board is authorized on a written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint or promote vocational high school shop teachers to salary class 18, group B, without a master's degree if they submit evidence of equivalent training and experience in accordance with the rules of the Board. A vocational high school shop teacher may not be appointed, assigned, or promoted to salary class 18, group C, who does not possess a master's degree granted in course plus thirty credit hours.

(c) When used in this Act—

(1) The term "master's degree" and "doctor's degree" mean, respectively, a master's degree and a doctor's degree granted in course by an accredited higher educational institution.

(2) The term "plus thirty credit hours" means the equivalent of not less than thirty graduate credit hours in academic, vocational, or professional courses beyond a master's degree, representing a definite educational program satisfactory to the Board. Graduate credit hours beyond thirty which were earned prior to obtaining a master's degree may be applied in computing such thirty credit hours.

(3) The terms "Board" and "Board of Education" mean the Board of Education of the District of Columbia.


Sec. 3. For other than temporary employees and the Superintendent of Schools, the first two years of service in each position covered by section 1 of this Act shall be probationary regardless of any change in title or numbers used in classifying the position. Teachers, school officers, and other employees who have satisfactorily completed the probationary period in any position covered by section 1 of this Act and whose permanent appointments have been approved by the Board shall be considered employees of the Board on permanent tenure.

TITLE III—METHOD OF ASSIGNMENT OF EMPLOYEES TO SALARY SCHEDULES

Sec. 4. Each teacher, school officer, and other employee in the service of the Board on July 1, 1955, who occupies a position formerly assigned in accordance with the provisions of title I of the Salary Act of 1947 shall be placed in a salary class covered by section 1 of this Act as indicated at the end of this section. Any employee in group A of his salary class on June 30, 1955, shall be assigned to group A of the class to which he is transferred on July 1, 1955. Any employee in group C of his salary class on June 30, 1955, shall be assigned to group B of the class to which he is transferred on July 1, 1955, except that an employee possessing a master's degree plus thirty credit hours shall be transferred to group C. Any employee not in a group A or a group C on June 30, 1955, shall be assigned to group A on July 1, 1955, if his new salary class contains such a group, except that an employee possessing a master's degree or an employee in salary classes 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, and 17 on July 1, 1955, who does not possess a master's degree shall be assigned to group B if his new salary class contains such a group and an employee possessing a master's degree plus thirty credit hours shall be assigned to group C if his new salary class contains such a group.
SEC. 5. (a) This Act applies to all positions under the Board which require at least a bachelor's degree in an appropriate field, and in addition:

1. involve classroom or other instruction or the supervision and direction of classroom and other instructional activities; or
2. involve activities, other than teaching, which require the incumbents to possess academic credits in educational theory and

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**TITLE AND CLASS OF POSITION IN TEACHERS’ SALARY ACT OF 1947**

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practice at least equivalent to those required of a teacher with a bachelor's degree; or
(3) involve activities which are so directly related to the educational process that the positions have characteristics of the educational field to a marked degree, even though academic credits in educational theory and practice are not required; or
(4) involve the management or direction or organizational units or school services which, though not directly involved in the educational process, require the incumbent to deal so extensively with employees who are directly involved in the educational process on problems that require an understanding of the aims, methods and points of view of educators and educational philosophy, that it becomes impractical, insofar as salary treatment is concerned, to attempt to distinguish between them and positions covered under paragraphs (1), (2), or (3) of this subsection.
This paragraph (4) shall apply only to such positions as are necessary to coordinate such noneducational units or services with the educational activities of the school system.

(b) The Board, with the concurrence of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, is authorized to determine which positions meet the criteria specified in subsection (a) of this section and to establish or transfer positions covered under other wage or salary fixing acts or authorities to the coverage of this Act. Similarly, the Board, with the concurrence of the said Board of Commissioners, is authorized to determine that positions covered under this Act do not meet the criteria specified in subsection (a) of this section and to remove any such position from the coverage of this Act: Provided, That any employee occupying any position covered by this Act on the effective date of this Act, the class and group as established in this Act which shall apply to such position: Provided, That such class shall be selected on the basis of the difficulty, responsibility, and qualification requirements of such position. Positions brought under this Act in accordance with this section shall be subject to the provisions of this Act to the same degree and in all respects as if such positions were specifically named in this Act. The Board is authorized to conduct such studies as are required to apply the criteria specified in subsection (a) of this section.

TITLE IV—METHOD OF ADVANCEMENT AND PROMOTION OF EMPLOYEES

SEC. 6. On July 1, 1955, each permanent employee assigned to a salary class in accordance with section 4 and section 5 of this Act shall be assigned to the numerical service step on the schedule for his class, or class and group, under this Act next above the numerical service step occupied by him on June 30, 1955, under the provisions of the Salary Act of 1947 and each such employee shall advance one numerical service step each year thereafter until he reaches the highest step provided on the schedule for his class, or class and group, except that each employee under this Act who was on a service step under the Salary Act of 1947 which was numerically as high or higher than the top step provided for the salary class, or class and group, to which he is assigned under section 1 of this Act shall be assigned on July 1, 1955, to the highest step provided for his salary class, or class
and group, under section 1 of this Act. The Superintendent of Schools, salary class 1, shall be assigned on July 1, 1955, to the salary provided for that position in section 1 of this Act. Any permanent employee serving in a position not covered by the Salary Act of 1947 but which may be later established under section 5 of this Act shall be given service credit for the purpose of salary placement under this Act equivalent to the number of years of satisfactory service rendered within the school system in the position then occupied by such employee and shall be assigned to the numerical service step on the schedule for his class, or class and group, under this Act next above the numerical service step corresponding to his years of service under his previous classification. If such employee is on a service step in his previous classification which is numerically as high or higher than the top service step provided for his salary class, or class and group, under this Act, he shall be assigned to the highest service step provided for his salary class, or class and group, under this Act. Each employee transferred and assigned to salary class 18 under this Act, and on permanent tenure on July 1, 1955, who on June 30, 1947, was a permanent employee of the Board of Education in either group B or group D of salary classes 1-8, inclusive, in the District of Columbia Teachers’ Salary Act of 1945, as amended, shall be placed one service step higher than he would otherwise be entitled to under the provisions of this section except that in no case shall his salary be higher than the maximum salary provided for his class and group.

Sec. 7. (a) Each employee appointed under this Act who has not had prior service under the Board or who may be reappointed or reinstated, shall be assigned to the service step numbered next above the number of years of service with which he is credited for the purpose of salary placement. The Board, on the written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, is authorized to evaluate the previous experience of each new appointee to determine the number of years with which he may be credited for the purpose of salary placement. Credit for service rendered either inside or outside of public schools of the District of Columbia shall be effective on the date of the regular Board meeting immediately preceding the date of approval by the Board or on the date of appointment, whichever is later. Such credit shall apply to all positions in salary classes 18 and 19, and to the positions of chief librarian and assistant professor, salary class 14; and to the position of associate professor, salary class 11; and to the position of professor, salary class 8. Such placement credit shall not be granted in excess of five years.

(b) In crediting previous experience of any teacher who has been absent from his duties because of naval or military service in the armed forces of the United States or its allies, the Board is hereby authorized to include such naval or military service as the equivalent of approved experience.

(c) No provision in this Act shall be interpreted as preventing any teacher, school officer, or other employee of the Board who has been granted leave to enter the armed forces of the United States or its allies from receiving any annual service increment or increments to which he would have been entitled had he remained continuously in the service of the public schools.

Sec. 8. (a) Each teacher, school officer, and other employee appointed or promoted on probationary tenure to a position covered by section 1 of this Act shall receive his first increase in salary in that position on the beginning day of his second year of probationary service in the position; he shall receive his second increase in salary in that position on the date when his appointment or promotion to the position is made permanent; and he shall receive all subsequent
increases in salary to which he is entitled in that position on July 1 of each year, beginning with the July 1 next after the date of his permanent appointment or promotion to the position in accordance with section 6 and section 7 of this Act.

(b) Any employee in the service of the Board on the effective date of this Act appointed or promoted on probationary tenure during the period from July 1, 1952, to June 30, 1955, inclusive, to a position covered by section 4 of this Act shall be compensated for salary increases in accordance with the subsection (a) of this section and shall receive his first increase effective as of the first date of his second year of probationary service based upon the rates of pay currently in effect on that date and such employee shall be assigned on July 1, 1955, to the numerical service step in the salary schedule for his class, or class and group, in section 1 of this Act corresponding to his number of years of creditable service.

(c) The Board is authorized to terminate the services of any probationary employee in the class to which appointed, upon the written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, at any time during the two year probationary period: Provided, That if an employee so terminated has permanent status within the school system he shall be returned to the salary class he last occupied on permanent status, and placed on the step which would have been occupied by him.

Sec. 9. The Board is hereby authorized to appoint and assign temporary employees within the salary structure of section 1 of this Act, whenever such action is necessary and recommended in writing by the Superintendent of Schools. Such appointments shall be for periods not to extend beyond June 30 of the fiscal year in which the appointments are made and the Board is authorized to terminate the appointment of any temporary employee at any time upon the written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools. Each temporary employee shall be assigned to a numerical service step and receive an annual rate of compensation in accordance with section 7, but he shall receive no annual service increments and may be credited with not more than five years of service either inside or outside the public schools of the District of Columbia for the purpose of salary placement.

Sec. 10. (a) On and after July 1, 1955, each promotion to group B, or group C, within a salary class shall become effective on the date of the regular Board meeting immediately preceding the date of approval by the Board or on the effective date of the master's degree or the completion of thirty credit hours beyond the master's degree, whichever is later.

(b) Any employee in a position covered by section 1 of this Act who is promoted to group B or group C of the same salary class shall be assigned to the same numerical service step on the schedule for his new group as he would have occupied on the schedule from which promoted.

Sec. 11. Any employee in a salary class covered by section 1 of this Act, when promoted to a higher-paid salary class, shall be assigned to the lowest numerical service step on the schedule for his new class, or class and group, which will give him an immediate increase in annual salary rate at least equal to the sum of the following:

(1) Any annual service increment to which the employee would have been entitled in his former salary class at the time of his promotion; and

(2) The annual service increment scheduled for his new class and group: Provided, That no such employee shall be assigned to a higher numerical service step on the schedule for his new class, or class and group, than he would have occupied on the schedule from which promoted.
TITLE V—ACCOMPANYING LEGISLATION

SEC. 12. Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, the Board, on the written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, may employ not more than fifteen retired members of the armed services of the United States as teachers of military science and tactics in the public high schools of the District of Columbia, and such teachers so employed shall be entitled to compensation in accordance with the salary schedules in section 1 of this Act, in addition to their retired pay and allowances.

SEC. 13. The Board is hereby authorized to conduct as parts of the public school system, evening schools, summer schools, and Americanization School, under and within appropriations made by Congress, and on the written recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to fix and prescribe the salaries of teachers in the evening and summer schools.

SEC. 14. Each employee assigned to salary class 18 in the foregoing schedules, and to the position of attendance officer, salary class 19; each chief librarian and each assistant professor in class 14; each associate professor in class 11; and each professor in class 8 shall be classified as a teacher for payroll purposes and his annual salary shall be paid in ten monthly installments in accordance with existing law.

SEC. 15. On and after the effective date of this Act, the Act entitled "An Act to provide that the Board of Education of the District of Columbia shall have sole authority to regulate the vacation periods and annual leave of absence of certain school officers and employees of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia", approved March 5, 1952, as amended, shall apply to employees of the Board of Education whose salaries are fixed in salary classes 7-17, inclusive, under this Act. However, such Act shall not apply to the following employees: Chief examiner, class 7; and professor, class 8; associate professor, class 11; Assistant Director, Department of Food Services, class 12; assistant professor and chief librarian, class 14.

SEC. 16. On and after the effective date of this Act, the Act entitled "An Act to provide cumulative sick and emergency leave with pay for teachers and attendance officers in the employ of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved October 13, 1949, as amended, shall apply to employees of the Board whose salaries are fixed in salary class 18, and the position of attendance officer, salary class 19; and to the following employees in the salary classes indicated: Professor, class 8; associate professor, class 11; chief librarian and assistant professor, class 14, under this Act.

SEC. 17. On and after the effective date of this Act, the Act entitled "An Act to provide educational employees of the public schools of the District of Columbia with leave of absence, with part pay, for the purposes of educational improvement, and for other purposes", approved June 12, 1940, shall apply to employees of the Board whose salaries are fixed under section 1 of this Act.

SEC. 18. On and after the effective date of this Act, the Act entitled "An Act to permit the Board of Education of the District of Columbia to participate in the foreign teacher exchange program in cooperation with the United States Office of Education", approved September 28, 1950, shall apply to employees of the Board whose salaries are fixed under section 1 of this Act.

SEC. 19. On and after the effective date of this Act, the Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of public school teachers in the District of Columbia", approved August 7, 1946, as amended, shall apply to probationary and permanent employees of the Board whose salaries are fixed under section 1 of this Act, and all references in the said Act of
August 5, 1955, to the Salary Act of 1947 shall be interpreted to apply to this Act. Nothing in this section shall require the recomputation of the annuity of any person retired under the Act of August 7, 1946, as amended, prior to the effective date of this Act, or of any person retired prior to the effective date of the Act of August 7, 1946, as amended, whose annuity is computed in accordance with the provisions of that Act.

Sec. 20. The District of Columbia Teachers' Salary Act of 1947, approved July 7, 1947, as amended, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 21. Section 1 of the Act for the Retirement of Public School Teachers, approved August 7, 1946, as amended, is amended by striking out "June 30" wherever it appears in such section and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31", provided that interest shall not be compounded as of December 31, 1955.

Sec. 22. Section 6 of the District of Columbia Teachers' Leave Act of 1949, as amended, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 23. The proviso in section 5 of the Act of August 7, 1946, entitled "An Act for the retirement of public school teachers in the District of Columbia", as amended by the Act approved March 6, 1952 (66 Stat. 17), is hereby repealed.

Sec. 24. This Act may be cited as "District of Columbia Teachers' Salary Act of 1955".

Sec. 25. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 1955.

AN ACT

To increase the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, the United States Park Police, and the White House Police, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 101 of the District of Columbia Police and Firemen's Salary Act of 1953 (Public Law 74, Eighty-third Congress), as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 101. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) or (c), the annual basic salaries of the officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force shall be at the rates set forth in the following table:

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All original appointments of privates shall be made at the annual basic salary of $4,193 and the first year of service shall be probationary.

(b) The annual basic salary of a private of any class of the Metropolitan Police force shall be increased by—\n
“(1) $1,290, while he is assigned to duty as a detective sergeant;
“(2) $500, while he is assigned to duty as a precinct detective;
“(3) $323, while he is assigned to duty as a station clerk;
“(4) $291, while he is assigned to duty as a probational detective; or
“(5) $420, while he is assigned to duty as a motorcycle officer.
Paragraph (5) of this subsection shall apply to any officer below the grade of lieutenant.
“(c) Subject to the approval of the Commissioners, the annual basic salary of a private of the Metropolitan Police force shall be increased by an amount not to exceed $420 while he is assigned to duty as a technician.”

Sec. 2. Section 102 (a) of the District of Columbia Police and Firemen’s Salary Act of 1953 is amended by striking out “$120” and “$200” and inserting in lieu thereof “$129” and “$215”, respectively.

Sec. 3. Section 201 of the District of Columbia Police and Firemen’s Salary Act of 1953 is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 201. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) or (c), the annual basic salaries of the officers and members of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia shall be at the rates set forth in the following table:

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All original appointments of privates shall be made at the annual basic salary of $4,193 and the first year of service shall be probationary.

“(b) The annual basic salary of a private of any class of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia shall be increased by—

“(1) $420, while he is assigned to duty as an aide to the Fire Chief or to a deputy or battalion fire chief;
“(2) $224, while he is assigned to duty as a regular first driver-operator of a fire department hose wagon, aerial ladder truck, rescue squad, or fire department ambulance;
“(3) $420, while he is assigned to duty as a chief radio technician; and
“(4) $224, while he is assigned to duty as a chief photographer.

“(c) Subject to the approval of the Commissioners, the annual basic salary of a private or an inspector of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia shall be increased by an amount not to exceed $420 while he is assigned to duty as a technician.”

Sec. 4. Section 202 (a) of the District of Columbia Police and Firemen’s Salary Act of 1953 is amended by striking out “$120” and “$200” and inserting in lieu thereof “$129” and “$215”, respectively.

Sec. 5. (a) Retroactive salary shall be paid by reason of this Act only in the case of an individual in the service of the United States
(including service in the Armed Forces of the United States) or the municipal government of the District of Columbia on the date of enactment of this Act, except that retroactive salary shall be paid (1) to an officer or member of the Metropolitan Police force, the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, the United States Park Police force, or the White House Police force, who retired during the period beginning on the first day of the first pay period which began after February 28, 1955, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act for services rendered during such period, and (2) in accordance with the provisions of the Act of August 3, 1950 (Public Law 636, Eighty-first Congress), as amended (5 U. S. C., secs. 61f-61k), for services rendered during the period beginning on the first day of the first pay period which began after February 28, 1955, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act by an officer or member who dies during such period.

(b) For the purposes of this section, service in the Armed Forces of the United States, in the case of an individual relieved from training and service in the Armed Forces of the United States or discharged from hospitalization following such training and service, shall include the period provided by law for the mandatory restoration of such individual to a position in or under the Federal Government or the municipal government of the District of Columbia.

Effective date.

Sec. 6. (a) This Act shall take effect as of the first day of the first pay period which began after February 28, 1955.

(b) For the purpose of determining the amount of insurance for which an individual is eligible under the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, all changes in annual basic salary which result from the enactment of this Act shall be held and considered to be effective as of the first day of the first pay period which begins on or after the date of such enactment.

Approved August 5, 1955.

Public Law 245

To amend subsection 303 (c) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 relating to transportation and storage of household goods of military personnel on permanent change of station.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 303 (c) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 802) is amended by inserting the following at the end of the first sentence thereof: "Nontemporary storage of baggage and household effects may be authorized in Government facilities, or in commercial facilities whenever such storage is considered to be more economical to the Government: Provided, however, That in no instance shall the weight stored plus the weight transported in connection with a change of station exceed the maximum weight limitation fixed by regulations promulgated by the respective Secretaries where not otherwise fixed by law: And provided further, That nontemporary storage of baggage and household effects shall not be authorized for a period longer than one year from the date members are separated from the service, except that a longer period may be authorized by regulations promulgated by the respective Secretaries where a member is confined in a hospital or in its vicinity undergoing medical treatment on date of separation."

Approved August 5, 1955.
Public Law 246  

CHAPTER 572  

AN ACT  

To establish a Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise, and for other purposes.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby established in the Treasury of the United States a fund to be known as the “Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise Fund” (hereinafter referred to as the fund). There is hereby appropriated to the fund out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: (1) an amount equal to the sum credited to the account in the Treasury entitled, “Donations to the United States, Bequest of Oliver Wendell Holmes”; (2) an amount equal to interest on the amount referred to in (1) from the date of deposit in the Treasury to the end of the fiscal year prior to the date of the enactment of this Act, compounded semiannually, calculated at a rate to be determined by the Secretary of the Treasury by estimating the average yield to maturity, on the basis of daily closing market bid quotations or prices during the month preceding the deposit on all outstanding marketable obligations of the United States having a maturity date of fifteen or more years from the first day of such month; and (3) an amount, at the end of each fiscal year after the date of the enactment of this Act, equal to the interest calculated on the average daily balances in the fund during the fiscal year at a rate of 3½ per centum per annum.  

Sec. 2. There is hereby established the Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise (hereinafter referred to as the Committee), to be composed of five members, one of whom shall be the Librarian of Congress, ex officio, who shall act as Chairman. The other four members shall be appointed by the President from four panels of three names each, one such panel to be submitted to him by each of the following: The Association of American Law Schools, The American Philosophical Society, The American Historical Association, and The Association of American Universities. The members shall serve eight-year terms, except that the initial appointees shall have terms of eight, six, four, and two years, respectively. Every appointment to fill a vacancy occurring whether by death, resignation, or expiration of a term shall be made in the same manner as the original appointments from such four panels submitted on each such occasion. No appointee may serve more than one term.  

Sec. 3. The members of the Committee shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in carrying out the duties of the Committee or in the alternative they may receive their transportation and not to exceed $20 per diem in lieu of subsistence.  

Sec. 4. The Committee shall devote the income and, to the extent the Committee deems it necessary and desirable, the principal of the fund to the first, and, in the discretion of the Committee, to the second and third, of the following objects:  

(a) To employ one or more scholars of distinction (with any appropriate assistants) to prepare a history of the Supreme Court of the United States, to defray the appropriate expenses of such scholars and assistants, and to finance the publication of such history. The Committee may select a single scholar to carry the work to completion, or a number or succession of scholars to complete it; may make any necessary employment contracts with such scholars and assistants of such terms and length as it determines; and shall have general supervision of the preparation of the history of the Supreme Court, including discretion to adopt from time to time such arrangements as
lend themselves best to the advancement of the preparation of such history and to the employment of distinguished scholars qualified to achieve the desired standards and independence in the work which they undertake.

(b) To finance an annual lecture or series of lectures, at times and places determined by the Committee, to be given each year at a different institution of higher learning in various parts of the country by a lecturer of distinction engaged by the Committee on a subject of his choice. The lectures shall be known as the Oliver Wendell Holmes Lectures.

(c) To finance the preparation and publication of the memorial volume contemplated by section 2 of the Act of October 22, 1940 (54 Stat. 1206) containing Justice Holmes' writings and other material.

Sec. 5. The Committee is authorized to accept, receive, hold, and administer such gifts or bequests of money, securities, or other personal property as may be approved by the Committee, and it may sell or otherwise dispose of such securities or other personal property. All moneys received shall be paid into, administered, and expended as a part of the fund.

Sec. 6. The Committee may employ, without regard to the civil-service laws or the Classification Act of 1949, such employees as may be necessary in carrying out its functions.

Sec. 7. The Committee may accept and utilize services of voluntary and uncompensated personnel and pay any such personnel when engaged in the work of the Committee necessary travel and subsistence expenses or in the alternative, transportation and not to exceed $20 per diem in lieu of subsistence; cooperate with legal, philosophical, and historical societies and institutions of learning; and call upon Federal agencies for their advice and assistance in carrying out its functions. Any Federal agency furnishing advice or assistance to the Committee may expend its own funds for this purpose, with or without reimbursement from the Committee as may be agreed upon by the Committee and the agency. The Committee, to such extent as it finds to be necessary, may, without regard to the laws or procedures applicable to Federal agencies, procure transportation, supplies, services and property, and make contracts, and may exercise those powers that are necessary to enable it to carry out efficiently and in the public interest the purposes of this Act.

Sec. 8. The Chairman, with the approval of the Committee, is authorized to determine the character and necessity of expenditures from the fund and the manner in which such expenditures are incurred, allowed and paid. Disbursements from the fund shall be made through the disbursing facilities of the Treasury Department.

Sec. 9. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Approved August 5, 1955,

Public Law 247

AN ACT

To require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any owner of, and any person claiming rights to, Valentine scrip, issued under the Act of April 5, 1872 (17 Stat. 649); Sioux Half-Breed scrip, issued under the Act of July 17, 1854 (10 Stat. 304); Supreme Court scrip, issued under the Acts of June 22, 1860 (12 Stat. 85), March 2, 1867

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(14 Stat. 544), and June 10, 1872 (17 Stat. 378); Surveyor-General scrip, issued under the Act of June 2, 1858 (11 Stat. 294); a soldier’s additional homestead right, granted by sections 2306 and 2307 of the Revised Statutes; a forest lieu selection right, assertable under the Act of March 3, 1905 (33 Stat. 1264); a lieu selection right conferred by the Act of July 1, 1898 (30 Stat. 597); a bounty land warrant issued under the Act of March 3, 1855 (10 Stat. 701); or any lieu selection or scrip right or bounty land warrant, or right in the nature of scrip issued under any Act of Congress not enumerated herein (except the indemnity selection rights of any State, or the Territory of Alaska), shall, within two years from the effective date of this Act, present his holdings or claim for recordation by the Department of the Interior.

Sec. 2. In the case of a transfer after the effective date of this Act, by assignment, inheritance, operation of law, or otherwise of a holding or claim of any right recorded under this Act, the holding or claim of right so transferred shall be presented to the Department of the Interior within six months after such transfer, for recordation by it; except that where such transfer occurs within the period of two years from the effective date of this Act and the prior owner has not complied with provisions of this Act, the owner or claimant by transfer shall have the remainder of such period or a period of six months, whichever is the longer, within which to present his claims or holdings for recordation.

Sec. 3. There shall be endorsed on the evidence of the right or warrant each recordation thereof.

Sec. 4. Claims or holdings not presented for recordation, as prescribed herein, shall not thereafter be accepted by the Secretary of the Interior for recordation or as a basis for the acquisition of lands.

Sec. 5. Within thirty days after the effective date of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall cause to be published in the Federal Register a notice setting forth the recordation requirements of this Act. Within one year after the effective date of this Act the Secretary shall also cause notices of the recordation requirements of this Act to be published in such newspapers, posted in such public offices, and given publicity by such other means as he deems feasible and appropriate for the dissemination of information concerning the recordation requirements of this Act to persons who may have holdings or claims that are subject to such requirements.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved August 5, 1955.

Public Law 248

AN ACT

To amend section 8a (4) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 8a (4) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (7 U. S. C. 12a (4)), is amended to read as follows:

“(4) to fix and establish from time to time reasonable fees and charges for registrations and renewals thereof and for copies of registration certificates; and”.

Approved August 5, 1955.
AN ACT
To revive section 3 of the District of Columbia Public School Food Services Act.

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CHAPTER 575

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[S. 665]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, effective October 8, 1951, section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a Department of Food Services in the Public Schools of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved October 8, 1951 (Public Law 159, Eighty-second Congress), is hereby revived and section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act to increase the salaries of the Metropolitan Police, the United States Park Police, the White House Police, members of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia and employees of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia", approved October 25, 1951 (Public Law 207, Eighty-second Congress), is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. The second sentence of section 8 of the Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of public-school teachers in the District of Columbia", approved August 7, 1946, as amended, is amended by inserting immediately before the colon immediately preceding the first proviso thereof the following: "; and (f) continuous temporary service as an employee of any cafeteria or lunchroom operated in the public school buildings of the District of Columbia during any period prior to the date on which such cafeteria or lunchroom is placed under the Office of Central Management, Department of Food Services, District of Columbia, and immediately prior to probationary appointment as a teacher in the public schools of the District of Columbia".

Approved August 5, 1955.

Public Law 250
CHAPTER 576

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[S. 2237]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of May 26, 1949 (63 Stat. 111; 5 U. S. C. 151 (a)), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"There shall be in the Department of State in addition to the Secretary of State an Under Secretary of State, three Deputy Under Secretaries of State, and ten Assistant Secretaries of State."

SEC. 2. Section 2 of said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The Secretary of State and the officers referred to in section 1 of this Act, as amended, shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Counselor of the Department of State and the Legal Adviser who are required to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall rank equally with and shall receive the same salary as the Assistant Secretaries of State. Any such officer holding office at the time the provisions of this Act, as amended, become effective shall not be required to be reappointed by reason of the enactment of this Act, as amended. Unless otherwise provided for by law, the rate of basic compensation of the Deputy Under Secretaries of State shall be the same as that of Assistant Secretaries of State."
SEC. 3. The President may initially fill two of the Deputy Under Secretary positions established in section 1 of this Act by appointing, without further advice and consent of the Senate, the two Deputy Under Secretaries of State who, on the date of the enactment of this Act, held that designation pursuant to authority contained in section 2 of the Act of May 26, 1949 (63 Stat. 111).

SEC. 4. Section 412 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 999), as amended (hereinafter referred to as "such Act"), is amended by striking the first sentence of said section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: "There shall be eight classes of Foreign Service officers, including the classes of career ambassador and of career minister. The per annum salary of a career ambassador shall be the same as that for an Assistant Secretary of State."

SEC. 5. Section 501 (a) of such Act is amended by adding the phrase "career ambassadors and" immediately following the word "including".

SEC. 6. Section 502 (a) of such Act is amended by inserting the phrase "class of career ambassador and" immediately following the phrase "qualified for appointment to the", and by adding the following sentence at the end of said subsection: "No person shall be appointed into the class of career ambassador who has not (1) served for at least fifteen years in a position of responsibility in a Government agency, or agencies, including at least three years as a career minister; (2) rendered exceptionally distinguished service to the Government; and (3) met such other requirements as the Secretary shall prescribe."

SEC. 7. Section 518 of such Act is amended by inserting the words "career ambassadors or" immediately following the phrase "to the class of".

SEC. 8. Section 631 of such Act is amended by inserting the words "a career ambassador or" immediately after the words "who is".

SEC. 9. Section 632 of such Act is amended by inserting the words "a career ambassador or" immediately following the phrase "qualified for appointment to", and by adding the following sentence: "No person shall be appointed into the class of career ambassador who has not (1) served for at least fifteen years in a position of responsibility in a Government agency, or agencies, including at least three years as a career minister; (2) rendered exceptionally distinguished service to the Government; and (3) met such other requirements as the Secretary shall prescribe."

SEC. 10. (a) Section 811 (a) of such Act is amended by striking out "811. (a)" and inserting "811." in lieu thereof and by striking out the phrase "of all participants" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "received by each participant".

(b) Section 811 (b) of such Act is hereby repealed.

SEC. 11. Section 821 (a) of such Act is amended by striking the phrase "not exceeding $13,500 per annum," and "five years next preceding the date of his retirement" and inserting the phrase "highest five consecutive years of service, for which full contributions have been made to the fund, immediately preceding the phrase "multiplied by"."

Approved August 5, 1955.

Public Law 251

AN ACT

To authorize the construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey, Department of Commerce, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be constructed for the Department of Commerce two surveying ships of not over two thousand five hundred displacement.
Public Law 252—AUG. 5, 1955

To authorize the conveyance of certain land to the Pecwan Union School District for use as the site of a school.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to provide a site for a school, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to convey to the Pecwan Union School District of the State of California, all of the right, title, and interest (other than mineral rights) of the United States and of the Indians who have an interest therein, in and to that tract of land containing fifteen acres and more particularly described as follows:
The southeast quarter northeast quarter southeast quarter southeast quarter, section 7, containing five acres, and the south half northwest quarter southwest quarter southwest quarter and the north half southwest quarter southwest quarter southwest quarter, section 8, containing ten acres, township 11 north, range 3 east, Humboldt meridian, California.

Approved August 5, 1955.

Public Law 253—AUG. 5, 1955

To authorize subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end of subsection 301 (e) the following: “(f) Effective April 15, 1955, under such regulations and in such localities as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, enlisted members granted permission to mess separately whose duties require them to purchase one or more meals from other than Government messes shall be entitled to not to exceed the pro rata allowance authorized for each such meal for enlisted members when rations in kind are not available.”

Approved August 5, 1955.
Public Law 254

AN ACT

To provide for five-year terms of office for members of the Subversive Activities Control Board with one of such terms expiring in each calendar year.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 12 (a) of the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 is amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "The terms of office of the members of the Board in office on the date of enactment of the Subversive Activities Control Board Tenure Act shall expire at the time they would have expired if such Act had not been enacted. The term of office of each member of the Board appointed after the date of enactment of the Subversive Activities Control Board Tenure Act shall be for five years from the date of expiration of the term of his predecessor, except that (1) the term of office of that member of the Board who is designated by the President and is appointed to succeed one of the two members of the Board whose terms expire on August 9, 1955, shall be for four years from the date of expiration of the term of his predecessor, and (2) the term of office of any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term of which his predecessor was appointed shall be for the remainder of the term of his predecessor. Upon the expiration of his term of office a member of the Board shall continue to serve until his successor shall have been appointed and shall have qualified."

SEC. 2. This Act may be cited as the “Subversive Activities Control Board Tenure Act”.

Approved August 5, 1955.

Public Law 255

AN ACT

To authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any restricted Indian lands, whether tribally or individually owned, may be leased by the Indian owners, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, or business purposes, including the development or utilization of natural resources in connection with operations under such leases, for grazing purposes, and for those farming purposes which require the making of a substantial investment in the improvement of the land for the production of specialized crops as determined by said Secretary. All leases so granted shall be for a term of not to exceed twenty-five years, excepting leases for grazing purposes, which shall be for a term of not to exceed ten years. Leases for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, or business purposes with the consent of both parties may include provisions authorizing their renewal for one additional term of not to exceed twenty-five years, and all leases and renewals shall be made under such terms and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 2. Restricted lands of deceased Indians may be leased under this Act, for the benefit of their heirs or devisees, in the circumstances
and by the persons prescribed in the Act of July 8, 1940 (54 Stat. 745; 25 U. S. C., 1946 edition, sec. 380, as amended): Provided, That if the authority of the Secretary under this section is delegated to any subordinate official, then any heir or devisee shall have the right to appeal the action of any such official to the Secretary under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe.

SEC. 3. The Act of March 3, 1909 (35 Stat. 783; 25 U. S. C. 396) is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof the following proviso: "Provided, That if the said allottee is deceased and the heirs to or devisees of any interest in the allotment have not been determined, or, if determined, some or all of them cannot be located, the Secretary of the Interior may offer for sale leases for mining purposes to the highest responsible qualified bidder, at public auction, or on sealed bids, after notice and advertisement, upon such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe. The Secretary of the Interior shall have the right to reject all bids whenever in his judgment the interests of the Indians will be served by so doing, and to readvertise such lease for sale".

SEC. 4. No rent or other consideration for the use of land leased under this Act shall be paid or collected more than one year in advance, unless so provided in the lease.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of the Interior shall approve no lease pursuant to this Act that contains any provision that will prevent or delay a termination of Federal trust responsibilities with respect to the land during the term of the lease.

SEC. 6. Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to repeal any authority to lease restricted Indian lands conferred by or pursuant to any other provision of law.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 256

CHAPTER 616

AN ACT

Authorizing construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for the protection of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the project for flood protection at Saint Louis, Missouri, is hereby authorized substantially as recommended by the Chief of Engineers in Senate Document Numbered 57, Eighty-fourth Congress, at an estimated cost of $123,020,000.

SEC. 2. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 257

CHAPTER 617

AN ACT

To provide that certain lands acquired by the United States shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That those certain lands situated within the boundaries of the Lincoln National Forest, New Mexico, which were conveyed to the United States by the State
of New Mexico by deeds dated December 3, 1951, and recorded in book 142 at pages 547 to 556, inclusive, records of Otero County, New Mexico, in exchange for lands of the United States pursuant to the Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1269; 43 U. S. C. 315g), as amended, are hereby made parts of said Lincoln National Forest and hereafter shall be subject to all laws, rules, and regulations applicable to that national forest.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 258

CHAPTER 618

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall issue patents for the public lands erroneously omitted from the survey which are situated between the position of the record meander line represented on the plat approved March 10, 1845, and the actual shoreline of the Indian River in sections 11, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, and 36, township 27 south, range 37 east, Tallahassee Meridian, Florida, to persons who hold such public lands in good faith and in peaceful adverse possession, if they or their predecessors in interest have been issued patents, prior to January 1, 1954, for the upland tracts adjoining such erroneously omitted lands. Payment to the United States shall be made for lands so patented at the same price per acre as that at which the land included in the original patent was purchased, but in no case less than $1.25 per acre. No patent shall issue for any tract unless application for the tract is made by a qualified person within one year from the date of enactment of this Act. The Secretary shall issue no patents until the conclusion of such period. The Secretary may, by public sale at not less than the appraised value or under any appropriate public land law, dispose of any tract of public land subject to this Act which is not applied for by a qualified person within the one-year period.

SEC. 2. Upon the filing of a plat of resurvey under section 1 of this Act, the Secretary shall give such notice as he finds appropriate by newspaper publication or otherwise of the opening of the lands to purchase under this Act.

SEC. 3. Nothing in this Act shall affect valid existing rights.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 259

CHAPTER 619

AN ACT

To authorize the issuance of commemorative medals to certain societies of which Benjamin Franklin was a member, founder, or sponsor in observance of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of his birth.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in commemoration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin occurring on January 17, 1956, and in connection with the observance and celebration of that event, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to have struck seventy-one bronze medals of an appropriate design and inscription and to provide for...
the presentation of twenty-one such medals to the following-named scientific, educational and welfare societies of which Benjamin Franklin was a member: The American Philosophical Society (Philadelphia), Philadelphia Society of the Sons of St. George, Accademia di Scienze, Lettre et Arti in Padors (formerly Reale Accademia), (Italy), L'Academie des Sciences, L'Institute de France (formerly Academie Royale), the Royal Society (England), Konigliche Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften, Gottingen (Germany), the Royal Society of Arts (England), Bataafs Genootschap der Proefondervindelijke Wijsbegeerte (Netherlands), The Academie de Medicine (France), The Medical Society of London, The American Academy of Arts and Sciences (Boston), the Royal Society of Edinburgh, Real Academia de la Historia (Spain), Academie Nationale des Sciences, Belle-Lettres et Arts de Lyon (France), Real Accademia delle Scienze di Torino (Italy), the Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society (England), the Societa Patria diretta all'avanzamento dell'Agricultura delle Arti e delle Manifatture, Milano (Italy), the Philadelphia Society for Promoting Agriculture, the Society of Antiquaries of London, the Societe d'Agriculture, Sciences, Belle Lettres et Arts, Orleans (formerly Societe Royale) France, and The Library Company of Philadelphia, and for the presentation of fifty medals in cooperation with the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary committee of the Franklin Institute to other enterprises, institutions and societies founded or helped in their early development by Benjamin Franklin.

SEC. 2. Such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act are hereby authorized to be appropriated.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 260

CHAPTER 620

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell the steamship Monterey.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the Secretary of Commerce is hereby authorized, during a period of six months after the enactment of this joint resolution, to sell the steamship Monterey and the uninstalled materials heretofore acquired by the United States with said vessel, which are held in storage by the Maritime Administration, Department of Commerce, to a citizen of the United States at competitive bidding, subject to the provisions of this joint resolution, and such terms and conditions not contrary hereto as the Secretary may prescribe. The vessel with such materials shall be sold on an "as is, where is" basis, at an aggregate minimum sales price of $3,091,685.72, depreciated on the basis of a twenty-year life from August 6, 1952, to the date of the award of the contract of sale. Such sale shall be made upon a condition and agreement that the purchaser expend at least $10,000,000 to recondition the vessel satisfactory to the Secretary of Commerce in a domestic shipyard for passenger service, with documentation under the laws of the United States. Such sale shall be on the basis of the payment of not less than 25 per centum of the sale price of the vessel and materials at the time of the execution of such sales contract, with balance payable in approximately equal annual installments over the life expectancy of the vessel after reconditioning by the purchaser which life expectancy shall be determined jointly by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce, with interest on the portion of the sales price remaining unpaid at the rate
of 3½ per centum per annum; with right of prepayment from time to time of any or all of the sales price remaining unpaid. The obligation of the purchaser with respect to payment of such unpaid balance, with interest, shall be secured by a first preferred mortgage on the vessel sold, which mortgage may provide that the sole recourse against the purchaser under such mortgage, and any of the notes secured thereby, shall be limited to repossession of the vessel by the United States and the assignment of insurance claims, if the purchaser shall have complied with all provisions of the mortgage other than those relating to the payment of principal and interest when due, and the obligation of the purchaser shall be satisfied and discharged by the surrender of the vessel, and all right, title, and interest therein to the United States. Such vessel upon surrender shall be (1) free and clear of all liens and encumbrances whatsoever, except the lien of the above-mentioned preferred mortgage and any other mortgage held by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to an assignment under title XI of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, (2) in class, and (3) equipped and in as good order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted, as when reconditioned as a passenger vessel by the purchaser except that any deficiencies with respect to freedom from encumbrances, condition, and class, may, to the extent covered by valid policies of insurance, be satisfied by the assignment to the United States of claims of the purchaser under such policies of insurance.

(b) Any contract of sale executed under authority of this joint resolution shall provide that in the event the United States shall, through purchase or requisition, acquire ownership of such vessel, the owner shall be paid therefor the value thereof, but in no event shall such payment exceed the actual depreciated sales price under such contract (together with the actual depreciated cost of capital improvements thereon), or the fair and reasonable scrap value of such vessel, as determined by the Maritime Administrator, whichever is the greater; that such determination shall be final; that in computing the depreciated acquisition cost of such vessel, the depreciation shall be computed on the vessel on the schedule adopted or accepted by the Secretary of the Treasury for Federal income tax purposes as applicable to such vessel; that such vessel shall remain documented under the laws of the United States for a period of at least ten years after completion as a passenger vessel or as long as there remains due the United States any principal or interest on account of the sales price, whichever is the longer period; and that the foregoing provisions respecting the requisition or the acquisition of ownership by the United States and documentation shall run with the title to such vessel and be binding on all owners thereof.

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particularly described as follows: The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter, and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 12, township 130 north, range 80 west, fifth principal meridian, consisting of five acres more or less.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall—
(a) exclude conveyance of any rights to oil, gas, or other mineral deposits in the land conveyed, but the development of any such mineral deposits, which would in any manner interfere with the use of such land as a State historic site, shall not be permitted so long as such land is so used; and
(b) be subject to the condition that in the event the land conveyed should cease to be used as a State historic site title to such land shall revert to the United States to be held in the same manner it was held prior to such conveyance.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 263

AN ACT
To amend the Act extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah so as to authorize such State to exchange certain mineral lands for other lands mineral in character.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah so as to authorize such State to exchange certain mineral lands for other lands mineral in character", approved March 11, 1948 (62 Stat. 72), is amended by striking out the first sentence of such section and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "The State of Utah may relinquish to the United States for the benefit of the Indians of the said Ute Reservation such tracts of school or other State-owned lands, surveyed or unsurveyed, within the said reserved area, as it may see fit (reserving to said State, if it so desires, such rights as it may possess to any minerals underlying such State lands as may be relinquished), and said State shall have the right to make selections, including mineral lands and the minerals therein (including oil and gas) if the lands relinquished are mineral in character and rights to the minerals in such lands are relinquished along with the lands, in lieu thereof
outside of the area hereby withdrawn, equal in value, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, to the lands relinquished, from the vacant, unappropriated public lands, within the State of Utah, such lieu selections to be made in the manner provided in the enabling Act pertaining to said State, except as to the payment of fees or commissions, which are hereby waived. Valid rights and claims of individuals initiated under Federal law with respect to any lands so selected and prior to such selection shall not be affected by such selection."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 264

CHAPTER 624

AN ACT

To amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (e) of section 8 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended (16 U. S. C. 590h (e)), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Persons who carry out conservation practices on federally owned noncropland which directly conserve or benefit nearby or adjoining privately owned lands of such persons and who maintain and use such Federal land under agreement with the Federal agency having jurisdiction thereof and who comply with the terms and conditions of the agricultural conservation program formulated pursuant to sections 7 to 17 of this Act, as amended, shall be entitled to apply for and receive payments under such program to the same extent as other producers."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 265

CHAPTER 625

AN ACT

To authorize the conveyance by quitclaim deed of certain land to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is hereby authorized and directed to reconvey, by quitclaim deed, to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Texas, for a monetary consideration equal to that paid by the United States to such district therefor, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to those lands located on Brazos and Padre Island, Cameron County, Texas, including accretions thereto, which were conveyed to the United States by the Brownsville Navigation District by two deeds, both dated October 25, 1932, and recorded in volume 243, pages 260-262, and volume 244, pages 101-105 of the deed records of Cameron County, Texas, except for such portions of the lands or interests therein as the Secretary of the Army may determine are needed in connection with river and harbor improvement works at the location.

Sec. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall contain such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Army, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Treasury, determines advisable to assure that the use of the land by the Brownsville Navigation District or its transferees will be compatible with the operations of the
United States Coast Guard. Such conveyance shall also contain such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Army determines advisable in the public interest, and particularly such terms and conditions as he determines advisable—

(a) to assure that the use of the land by the Brownsville Navigation District or its transferees will be compatible with the construction, maintenance, and operation of the river and harbor project at the location; and

(b) to assure that the United States, and its employees, agents, and contractors shall have the right to utilize the existing causeway, constructed by Cameron County, Texas, for access to Padre Island, Texas, in connection with governmental activities, without charge.

Sec. 3. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall reserve to the United States all right, title, and interest in source material (as defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954) in the lands conveyed.

Approved August 9, 1955.
AN ACT
To amend the Small Business Act of 1953.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 204 (a) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "branch" the following: "and regional".

SEC. 2. Section 207 of such Act is further amended by inserting after subsection (e) a new subsection as follows:

“(f) To further extend the maturity of or renew any loan made pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this section, beyond the periods stated therein, or any loan transferred to the Administration pursuant to Reorganization Plan Numbered 2 of 1954, for additional periods not to exceed ten years, if such extension or renewal will aid in the orderly liquidation of such loan.”.

SEC. 3. (a) The last sentence of section 204 (b) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended to read as follows: "The Administration shall pay into miscellaneous receipts of the Treasury at the close of each fiscal year, interest on the net amount of the cash disbursements from such advances at a rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, taking into consideration the current average rate on outstanding interest-bearing marketable public debt obligations of the United States of comparable maturities.”.

(b) Section 204 of the Small Business Act of 1953 is further amended by inserting the following new subsections (e) and (f), as follows:

“(e) As used in this Act, the term ‘United States’ includes the several States, the Territories and possessions of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia.

“(f) The Administrator may establish regional offices of the Administration in the Territories of Alaska, Hawaii, and in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.”

SEC. 4. (a) Section 205 (a) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended (1) by striking out “require bonds of them, and fix the penalties thereof” and inserting in lieu thereof “to provide bonds for them in such amounts as the Administrator shall determine, and to pay the costs of qualification of certain of them as notaries public”, and (2) by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: “Subject to the standards and procedures under section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, not to exceed fifteen positions in the Small Business Administration may be placed in grades 16, 17, and 18 of the General Schedule established by that Act, and any such positions shall be additional to the number authorized by such section.”

(b) Section 205 (b) (7) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended (1) by inserting immediately following “all actions” the following: “, including the procurement of the services of attorneys by contract,” and (2) by changing the period at the end thereof to a colon and adding the following: “Provided, That no attorneys’ services shall be procured by contract in any office where an attorney or attorneys are or can be economically employed full time to render such services.”

(c) Section 205 (c) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: “Any individual so employed may be compensated at a rate not in excess of $50 per diem, and, while such individual is away from his home or regular place of business, he may be allowed transportation and not to exceed $15 per diem in lieu of subsistence and other expenses.”

SEC. 5. Section 207 of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended to read as follows:
Loans for plant
construction.

Restrictions and
limitations.

"Sec. 207. (a) The Administration is empowered to make loans to enable small-business concerns to finance plant construction, conversion, or expansion, including the acquisition of land; or to finance the acquisition of equipment, facilities, machinery, supplies, or materials; or to supply such concerns with working capital to be used in the manufacture of articles, equipment, supplies, or materials for war, defense, or essential civilian production or as may be necessary to insure a well-balanced national economy; and such loans may be made or effected either directly or in cooperation with banks or other lending institutions through agreements to participate on an immediate or deferred basis: Provided, however, That the foregoing powers shall be subject to the following restrictions and limitations:

"(1) No financial assistance shall be extended pursuant to (a) above unless the financial assistance applied for is not otherwise available on reasonable terms and all loans made shall be of such sound value or so secured as reasonably to assure repayment; no immediate participation may be purchased unless it is shown that a deferred participation is not available; and no loan may be made unless it is shown that a participation is not available.

"(2) No loan shall be extended pursuant to (a) above if the total amount outstanding and committed (by participation or otherwise) to the borrower from the revolving fund established by this title would exceed $250,000, and no loan, including renewals or extensions thereof, may be made for a period or periods exceeding ten years, except that any loan made for the purpose of constructing industrial facilities may have a maturity of ten years plus such additional period as is estimated may be required to complete such construction, and any such loan shall bear interest at the rate prevailing in the area where the money loaned is to be used but shall not exceed 6 per centum per annum: Provided, That the foregoing limitation of $250,000 shall not apply to any loan extended to any corporation formed and capitalized by a group of small business concerns with resources provided by them for the purpose of establishing facilities in and through such corporation to produce or secure raw materials or supplies: Provided further, That no act or omission to act pursuant to this section, if found and approved by the Small Business Administration as contributing to the needs of small business, shall be construed to be within the prohibitions of the antitrust laws or the Federal Trade Commission Act of the United States. A copy of the statement of any such finding and approval intended to be within the coverage of this section, and any modification or withdrawal thereof, shall be furnished to the Attorney General and the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission when made, and it shall be published in the Federal Register. The authority granted in the last preceding proviso shall be delegated only (1) to an official who shall for the purpose of such delegation be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, unless otherwise required to be appointed, (2) upon the condition that such official consult with the Attorney General.
and with the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission not less
than ten days before making and stating any such finding and
approval as is authorized in this subsection (a), and (3) upon
the condition that such official obtain a statement in writing from
the Attorney General that he, mindful of the antitrust laws and
the public interest, concurs in the finding and approval made and
granted by the Small Business Administration. Upon with-
drawal of any finding or approval made hereunder the provi-
sions of this section shall not apply to any subsequent act or omission
to act by reason of such finding or approval. The Attorney Gen-
eral is directed to make, or request the Federal Trade Commission
to make for him, surveys for the purpose of determining any
factors which may tend to eliminate competition, create or
strengthen monopolies, injure small business, or otherwise pro-
mote undue concentration of economic power in the course of the
administration of this Act. The Attorney General shall submit
to the Congress and the President within ninety days after
approval of this Act, and at such times thereafter as he deems
desirable, reports setting forth the results of such surveys and
including such recommendations as he may deem desirable.

“(3) In agreements to participate in loans on a deferred basis
under this subsection or under subsection (b) (1) of this section,
such participation by the Administration shall not be in excess of
90 per centum of the balance of the loan outstanding at the time
of disbursement.

‘(b) The Administration also is empowered—

“(1) to make such loans (either directly or in cooperation
with banks or other lending institutions through agreements
to participate on an immediate or deferred basis) as the Admin-
istration may determine to be necessary or appropriate because
of floods or other catastrophes, including necessary or appro-
priate loans to any small-business concern located in an area
where a drought is occurring, if the Administration determines
that the small-business concern has suffered a substantial eco-
nomic injury as a result of such drought, and the President has
determined under the Act entitled ‘An Act to authorize Fed-
eral assistance to States and local governments in major dis-
asters, and for other purposes’, approved September 30, 1950, as
amended (42 U. S. C., secs. 1855-1855g), that such drought is
a major disaster, or the Secretary of Agriculture has found
under the Act entitled ‘An Act to abolish the Regional Agricul-
tural Credit Corporation of Washington, District of Columbia,
and transfer its functions to the Secretary of Agriculture, to
authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make disaster loans,
and for other purposes’, approved April 6, 1949, as amended
(12 U. S. C., secs. 1148a-1-1148a-3), that such drought con-
stitutes a production or economic disaster in such area; Provided,

That no such loan including renewals and extensions thereof may
be made for a period or periods exceeding ten years except
that where such loan is for acquisition or construction (includ-
ing acquisition of site therefor) of housing for the personal
occupancy of the borrower, it may be made for a period not to
exceed twenty years and at an interest rate not to exceed 3 per
centum per annum;

“(2) to enter into contracts with United States Government
and any department, agency, or officer thereof having procure-
ment powers obligating the Administration to furnish articles,
equipment, supplies, or materials to the Government;
"(3) to arrange for the performance of such contracts by negotiating or otherwise letting subcontracts to small-business concerns or others for the manufacture, supply, or assembly of such articles, equipment, supplies, or materials, or parts thereof, or servicing or processing in connection therewith, or such management services as may be necessary to enable the Administration to perform such contracts; and

"(4) to provide technical and managerial aids to small-business concerns, by advising and counseling on matters in connection with Government procurement and on policies, principles, and practices of good management, including but not limited to cost accounting, methods of financing, business insurance, accident control, wage incentives and methods engineering, by cooperating and advising with voluntary business, professional, educational, and other nonprofit organizations, associations, and institutions and with other Federal and State agencies, by maintaining a clearinghouse for information concerning the managing, financing, and operation of small-business enterprises, by disseminating such information, and by such other activities as are deemed appropriate by the Administration."
prises, to insure that a fair proportion of Government contracts for research and development be placed with small-business concerns, and to insure\textsuperscript{a}.

Sec. 8. Section 213 of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by adding "(a)" immediately following "Sec. 213." and by inserting an additional subsection, as follows:

"(b) Offices of the Government having procurement or lending powers, or engaging in the disposal of Federal property or allocating materials or supplies, or promulgating regulations affecting the distribution of materials or supplies shall accept as conclusive the Administration's determination as to which enterprises are to be designated 'small-business concerns', as authorized and directed under section 212 (c) of this title."

Sec. 9. Section 214 of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by inserting before "mobilizing" the words "maintaining or."

Sec. 10. Section 215 of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: "The Administration shall make a report to the President, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the Senate Select Committee on Small Business and to the House Select Committee To Conduct a Study and Investigation of the Problems of Small Business on December 31, 1953, and at the end of each six months thereafter, showing as accurately as possible for each such period the amount of funds appropriated to it that it has expended in the conduct of each of its principal activities such as lending, procurement, contracting, and providing technical and managerial aid."

Sec. 11. Section 215 of the Small Business Act of 1953 is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence: "The Administration shall retain all correspondence, records of inquiries, memoranda, reports, books, and records, including memoranda as to all investigations conducted by or for the Administration, for a period of at least one year from the date of each thereof, and shall at all times keep the same available for inspection and examination by the Senate Select Committee on Small Business, and the House Select Committee To Conduct a Study and Investigation of the Problems of Small Business, or their duly authorized representatives."

Sec. 12. (a) Section 218 (a) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by striking out "(a)" immediately following "Sec. 218". (b) Section 218 (b) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 13. Section 221 (a) of the Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by striking out the figures "1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "1957".

Sec. 14. The Small Business Act of 1953 is amended by adding at the end thereof two new sections which shall read as follows:

"Sec. 224. All laws and parts of laws inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency."

"Sec. 225. The Administration shall not duplicate the work or activity of any other department or agency of the Federal Government and nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to authorize any such duplication unless such work or activity is expressly provided for in this Act."

Sec. 15. Section 3 of the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"(e) All bids or invitations for bids shall contain in their specifications all the necessary language and material required and shall be so
be descriptive both in its language and attachments thereto in order to permit full and free competition. Any bid or invitation to bid which shall not carry the necessary descriptive language and attachments thereto, or if such attachments are not available or accessible to all competent, reliable bidders, such bid or invitation to bid shall be invalid and any award or awards made to any bidder in such case shall be invalidated and rejected."

Sec. 16. This Act shall take effect as of the close of July 31, 1955. Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 269

AN ACT

To amend the Public Buildings Act of 1949 to provide a five-year limitation on the period of leases of space for Federal agencies in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 407 of the Public Buildings Act of 1949 is amended by striking out "not in excess of one year," and by inserting in lieu thereof "not in excess of five years."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 270

AN ACT

To authorize adjustment by the Secretary of Agriculture of certain obligations of settlers on projects developed or subject to the Act of August 11, 1939, as amended, and for other purposes.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of sections 41 (g), 43, and 51 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1015 (g), 1017, and 1025), are hereby extended to apply on the obligations of settlers on the Angostura project in South Dakota developed under the Act of August 11, 1939, as amended (16 U. S. C. 590y-z).

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 271

AN ACT

To amend the Acts granting the consent of Congress to the State of Connecticut, acting by and through any agency or commission thereof, to construct, maintain, and operate toll bridges across the Connecticut River.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act approved August 7, 1939 (53 Stat. 1234), entitled "An Act granting the consent of Congress to the State of Connecticut, acting by and through any agency or commission thereof, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Connecticut River at or near Hartford, Connecticut", and section 2 of the Act approved April 24, 1946 (60 Stat. 122), entitled "An Act granting the consent of Congress to the State of Connecticut, acting by and through any agency or commission
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (h) of section 203 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U. S. C. 1622(h)) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Whoever knowingly shall falsely make, issue, alter, forge, or counterfeit any official certificate, memorandum, mark, or other identification, or device for making such mark or identification, with respect to inspection, class, grade, quality, size, quantity, or condition, issued or authorized under this section or knowingly cause or procure, or aid, assist in, or be a party to, such false making, issuing, altering, forging, or counterfeiting, or whoever knowingly shall possess, without promptly notifying the Secretary of Agriculture or his representative, utter, publish, or use as true, or cause to be uttered, published, or used as true, any such falsely made, altered, forged, or counterfeited official certificate, memorandum, mark, identification, or device, or whoever knowingly represents that an agricultural product has been officially inspected or graded (by an authorized inspector or grader) under the authority of this section when such commodity has in fact not been so graded or inspected shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both."

SEC. 2. The farm produce inspection clause contained in various appropriation Acts (7 U. S. C. 414) and the second, third, and fourth sentences of section 1 of the Produce Agency Act of March 3, 1927 (7 U. S. C. 492) are hereby repealed.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 272

AN ACT
To amend the Act known as the "Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946", approved August 14, 1946.

Inspection certifications.

34 Stat. 85.
33 USC 494.

Public Law 273

AN ACT
To amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans.

Farm tenant loans. Insurance authority.

60 Stat. 1072.

Thereof, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Connecticut River at or near Old Saybrook, Connecticut", are each amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 2. The last sentence of section 4 of such Act of March 23, 1907, shall not be applicable to the bridge constructed pursuant to the provisions of this Act."

Sec. 2. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as amending any provision of existing Federal law relating to the expenditure of Federal-aid highway funds.

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PUBLIC LAW 274—AUG. 9, 1955

To authorize the improvement of the Amite River and its tributaries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That improvements in the interest of flood control and drainage be undertaken in the Amite River, Bayou Manchac, and the Comite River, such work to be prosecuted under the direction of the Secretary of the Army and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers, substantially in accordance with a survey report entitled “Survey Report of Amite River and Tributaries La.” of the district engineer, Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, dated June 8, 1955, approved by the division engi-

Approved August 9, 1955.
neer, Corps of Engineers, Lower Mississippi Valley Division, and submitted to the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors on July 5, 1955, at an estimated first cost to the United States of $3,008,000; Provided, That local interests comply with the provisions in the district engineer's recommendations, including contribution of 24.7 per centum of actual construction cost in cash or equivalent work as approved by the Chief of Engineers, for Amite River and Bayou Manchac, presently estimated at $892,000, and 18.6 per centum of actual construction cost in cash or equivalent work, as approved by the Chief of Engineers, for Comite River, presently estimated at $67,000.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 275

CHAPTER 635

AN ACT

August 9, 1955 [S. 1917]

To authorize the construction within Grand Teton National Park of an alternate route to U. S. Highway 89, also numbered U. S. 187 and U. S. 26, and the conveyance thereof to the State of Wyoming, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to facilitate public use and enjoyment of the Grand Teton National Park and to make possible an appropriate relocation and use of highways through the park, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to construct within the park, upon a location to be agreed upon between the Secretary and the Governor of Wyoming, a highway which shall replace the present U. S. Highway 89, also numbered U. S. 187 and U. S. 26. Upon completion of the said highway, the Secretary is authorized to enter into an agreement with the State of Wyoming, upon such terms and conditions as he deems in the interest of the United States, for the conveyance of the highway to the State in exchange for State and county roads in the park area.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 276

CHAPTER 636

AN ACT

August 9, 1955 [S. 1906]

To authorize the Pueblos of San Lorenzo and Pojoaque in New Mexico to sell certain lands to the Navaho Tribe, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Pueblo of San Lorenzo, sometimes known as the Pueblo of Picuris, and the Pueblo of Pojoaque in New Mexico are hereby severally authorized to sell to the Navaho Tribe of Indians all of the right, title, and interest of each of said Pueblos in and to any of the lands situated in townships, 6, 7, and 8 north, range 15 west, and township 7 north, range 16 west, New Mexico principal meridian, in Valencia County, New Mexico, the title to which is now held by the United States in trust for either of said Pueblos; and the Navaho Tribe is hereby authorized to purchase all of the right, title, and interest of said Pueblos in and to any of the above-described lands, whereupon the title to the lands so purchased shall be held by the United States in trust for the Navaho Tribe. All sales under this section shall be for such prices and on such terms as may be agreed upon by the governing bodies of the Pueblo making the sale and of the Navaho Tribe, and as may
be approved by the Secretary of the Interior. The consideration for
each sale, when so agreed upon and approved, shall be paid out of
such funds of the Navaho Tribe as may be designated for this purpose
by its governing body. The Secretary of the Interior and the appro-
priate officers of said Pueblos are authorized to execute such instru-
m ents of conveyance as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate
the transfer of title to any lands purchased by the Navaho Tribe
under this section.

SEC. 2. All proceeds received from each of the sales authorized by
section 1 of this Act shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United
States to the credit of the Pueblo making the sale in the account estab-
lished for such Pueblo pursuant to section 19 of the Act of June 7, 1924
(43 Stat. 636, 642), and, together with any other funds heretofore
or hereafter deposited in the same account, shall be available for
expenditure or advance for such purposes, except per capita payments,
as may be designated by the governing body of such Pueblo and
approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 3. For the purpose of consolidating the lands of the Navaho
Tribe, the Secretary of the Interior, with the consent of the governing
body of said tribe, may exchange any lands purchased under section
1 of this Act for any other lands situated in McKinley or Valencia
Counties, New Mexico, that are owned by the United States, by the
State of New Mexico, or a political subdivision thereof, or by any
person; and, for the same purpose, the head of any department or
agency having administrative jurisdiction over lands situated in said
counties that are owned by the United States may exchange any such
lands for lands purchased under section 1 of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 277

To repeal a particular contractual requirement with respect to the Arch Hurley
Conservancy District in New Mexico.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso in
the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a Federal
reclamation project to furnish a water supply for the lands of the Arch
Hurley Conservancy District in New Mexico", approved August 2,
1937, as amended (43 U. S. C., sec. 600a), is amended by striking out
the semicolon and the word "and" at the end of clause (c) and by
striking out all of clause (d) to the period. No provision with respect
to the matters covered in said clause (d) which is contained in any
contract entered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act shall,
except as is otherwise provided by this Act, be enforced by the United
States. Nothing contained in this section shall affect (1) the reten-
tion and application by the United States of any payments which have
been made prior to the date of enactment of this Act in accordance
with any such provision of a contract, (2) the obligation of any party
to the United States with respect to any payment which is due to the
United States under any such provision but not paid upon the date of
enactment of this Act, and the application by the United States of
any such payment in accordance with the terms of such contract, or
(3) the enforcement of any such obligation by refusal to deliver water
to lands covered by contractual provisions executed in accordance with
said clause (d), except in those cases, if any, in which a sale or trans-
fer consummated between December 27, 1938, and the date of enact-
ment of this Act is only discovered after such date of enactment to have been made contrary to such contractual provisions or to said clause (d).

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to amend any contract, which has been entered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act, to conform with the provisions of the first section of this Act. The consent of the United States is hereby given to the recording, at the expense of the party benefited thereby, of any such amended contract and to the simultaneous discharge of record of the original contract. The consent of the United States is likewise given to the discharge of record, at the expense of the party benefited thereby, of any contract which the Secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized agent finds is rendered nugatory by the enactment of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 278

AN ACT

To amend the Act of May 19, 1947 (ch. 80, 61 Stat. 102), as amended, so as to permit per capita payments to the individual members of the Shoshone Tribe and the Arapahoe Tribe of the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming, to be made quarterly.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize the segregation and expenditure of trust funds held in joint ownership by the Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes of the Wind River Reservation” approved May 19, 1947 (ch. 80, 61 Stat. 102), as amended, is hereby amended by striking the words “and the first day of March” wherever it appears therein, and inserting in lieu thereof “the first day of December, the first day of March, and the first day of June”.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 279

AN ACT

To further amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 312 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1312), is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 312. (a) The Secretary shall, not later than December 1 of any marketing year, proclaim a national marketing quota for any kind of tobacco for each of the next three succeeding marketing years whenever he determines with respect to such kind of tobacco—

(1) that a national marketing quota has not previously been proclaimed and the total supply as of the beginning of such marketing year exceeds the reserve supply level therefor;

(2) that such marketing year is the last year of three consecutive years for which marketing quotas previously proclaimed will be in effect;

(3) that amendments have been made in provisions for establishing farm acreage allotments which will cause material revision of such allotments before the end of the period for which quotas are in effect; or
(4) that a marketing quota previously proclaimed for such marketing year is not in effect because of disapproval by producers in a referendum held pursuant to subsection (e): Provided, That if such producers have disapproved national marketing quotas in referenda held in three successive years subsequent to 1952, thereafter a national marketing quota shall not be proclaimed hereunder which would be in effect for any marketing year within the three-year period for which national marketing quotas previously proclaimed were disapproved by producers in a referendum, unless prior to November 10 of the marketing year one-fourth or more of the farmers engaged in the production of the crop of tobacco harvested in the calendar year in which such marketing year begins petition the Secretary, in accordance with such regulations as he may prescribe, to proclaim a national marketing quota for each of the next three succeeding marketing years.

(b) The Secretary shall also determine and announce, prior to the first day of December, the amount of the national marketing quota proclaimed pursuant to subsection (a) which is in effect for the next marketing year in terms of the total quantity of tobacco which may be marketed which will make available during such marketing year a supply of tobacco equal to the reserve supply level. The amount of the national marketing quota so announced may, not later than the following March 1, be increased by not more than 20 per centum if the Secretary determines that such increase is necessary in order to meet market demands or to avoid undue restrictions of marketings in adjusting the total supply to the reserve supply level.

(c) Within thirty days after the proclamation of national marketing quotas under subsection (a), the Secretary shall conduct a referendum of farmers engaged in the production of the crop of tobacco harvested immediately prior to the holding of the referendum to determine whether such farmers are in favor of or opposed to such quotas for the next three succeeding marketing years. If more than one-third of the farmers voting oppose the national marketing quotas, such results shall be proclaimed by the Secretary and the national marketing quotas so proclaimed shall not be in effect but such results shall in no wise affect or limit the subsequent proclamation and submission to a referendum, as otherwise provided in this section, of a national marketing quota.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 280

AN ACT

To amend the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 to provide that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for twelve months after they have begun their training.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of subsection (d) of section 232 of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 (38 U. S. C., sec. 942) is hereby amended to read as follows: "The education and training allowance of an eligible veteran pursuing institutional on-farm training shall be computed at the rate of (1) $95 per month, if he has no dependent, or (2) $110 per month, if he has one dependent, or (3) $130 per month, if he has more than one dependent: except that his education and training allowance shall
be reduced at the end of the third, and each subsequent, four-month period as his program progresses by an amount which bears the same ratio to $65 per month, if the veteran has no dependent, or $80 per month, if he has one dependent, or $100 per month, if he has more than one dependent, as four months bears to the total duration of such veteran's institutional on-farm training reduced by eight months."

SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act shall take effect as of the first day of the second calendar month which begins after the date of its enactment, but for the purposes of computing education and training allowances to be paid after such first day, such amendment shall be deemed to have been in effect since July 16, 1952.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 281

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to distribute equally to members of the Kaw Tribe of Indians certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the United States Treasury.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to distribute equally among the members of the Kaw Tribe of Indians whose names appear on the roll prepared pursuant to the Act of July 1, 1902 (32 Stat. 636), and the persons who were allotted under the Act of April 29, 1922 (42 Stat. 1589), all funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Kansas or Kaw Tribe of Indians, including funds appropriated by the Act of April 22, 1955 (69 Stat. 28), for the payment of a judgment against the United States. The share of any deceased member shall be distributed among his heirs or devisees.

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Public Law 282

AN ACT

Authorizing the Administrator of General Services to convey certain land to the city of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for park and recreational purposes, for an amount equal to the cost to the United States of acquiring such lands from the city.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of General Services is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, all right, title, and interest, except mineral rights (including oil and gas), of the United States in and to the following-described land located in Minnehaha County, South Dakota, consisting of approximately twenty acres: The east half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 19 in township 101, range 49 west, fifth principal meridian. As consideration for such conveyance the city of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, shall pay an amount, determined by the Administrator of General Services, equal to the cost to the United States of acquiring such land from the city of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall contain the express provisions that the land conveyed shall be used for park and recreational purposes in a manner which, in the judgment of the
To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to include capacity to serve the town of Glendo, Wyoming, in a sewerage system to be installed in connection with the construction of Glendo Dam and Reservoir, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in connection with the installation of a sewerage system to serve the Government construction camp and housing facilities at Glendo Dam and Reservoir (68 Stat. 486) and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, to install sufficient capacity to serve also the town of Glendo, a municipal corporation of the State of Wyoming, and to transfer all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to said system (including necessary rights-of-way) to said town. The total capacity of said system shall not exceed that required to serve five hundred persons and no commitment between the United States and the town with respect to the construction thereof shall require the expenditure of more than $75,000. The terms and conditions of this authorization are that the town shall have—

(a) transferred or agreed to transfer to the United States, without cost to the United States, such interest in land required for construction of the sewerage system as is satisfactory to the Secretary;

(b) transferred or agreed to transfer to the United States, without cost to the United States, fee title to ten acres of land for the construction of said camp and housing facilities or such other interest in said land as is satisfactory to the Secretary for that purpose. In the event said land is not located within the then corporate limits of the town, the town shall take all necessary and proper steps under the laws of the State of Wyoming to extend its limits to include said land;

(c) connected and run or agreed to connect and run a water main or mains to such locations on the property line of said land as are agreed upon by the town and the Secretary and agreed to furnish water for the use in said camp and housing facilities and by the residents therein on the same terms and considerations on which it furnishes water to other properties and residents in the town of Glendo. Necessary water meters will be furnished by the United States;

(d) agreed to furnish, without cost to the United States, fire and police protection service to the camp and housing facilities on said land on the same basis and under the same conditions
as it furnishes such services to other properties and to inhabitants of the town of Glendo;

(e) agreed to accept such streets and alleys (including rights-of-way therefor) as are constructed by the United States on said land and dedicated by the United States to public purposes and to maintain and keep said streets and alleys in good and serviceable condition without cost to the United States. Necessary streets and alleys constructed by the United States on said land will be of type and quality comparable to existing streets and alleys within the present limits of the town of Glendo;

(f) installed or agreed to install street lights on the streets and alleys constructed by the United States on said land and agreed to maintain said lights and to furnish the electricity necessary for their operation, such installation, maintenance, and electric service to be furnished to the same extent and in like manner as is afforded on other streets within the limits of the town of Glendo and without cost to the United States;

(g) arranged or agreed to arrange for electric and natural gas service to said camp and housing facilities and to the residents therein on the same terms and conditions as such service is furnished to other properties and residents in the town of Glendo;

(h) agreed to the United States use of the sewerage system throughout its useful life to the extent of that capacity which is required to serve one hundred and fifty persons and agreed furthermore, that it will operate and maintain said system in conformity with standards agreed upon by the town and the Secretary (which standards shall be those generally employed for the maintenance of similar facilities) and in a manner permitting the satisfactory use of said capacity by the United States, all without cost to the United States.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 284

CHAPTER 644

AN ACT

To authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Housing and Home Finance Administrator is authorized to sell and convey at fair market value as determined by him on the basis of an appraisal made by an independent real estate expert to the city of Norfolk, Virginia, or to the Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority, or to any agency or corporation established or sponsored in the public interest by such city, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to War Housing Project VA-44075 and War Housing Project VA-44184, or either of them. Any sale pursuant to this authorization shall be on such terms and conditions as the Administrator shall determine, and the amount received for each project shall be reported by the Administrator to the Committee on Banking and Currency of the Senate and the Committee on Banking and Currency of the House of Representatives.

Sec. 2. The authority conferred by this Act shall terminate six months after the date of its enactment.

Approved August 9, 1955.
AN ACT

To amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, is further amended by inserting after the first sentence thereof the following: "TITLE I".

SEC. 2. The word "Act", wherever it appears in title I in reference to the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, is amended to read "title".

SEC. 3. The International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"TITLE II

"VESTING AND LIQUIDATION OF BULGARIAN, HUNGARIAN, AND RUMANIAN PROPERTY

"Sec. 201. As used in this title the term—

"(1) 'Person' means a natural person, partnership, association, other unincorporated body, corporation, or body politic.

"(2) 'Property' means any property, right, or interest.

"(3) 'Treaty of peace', with respect to a country, means the treaty of peace with that country signed at Paris, France, February 10, 1947, which came into force between that country and the United States on September 15, 1947.

"Sec. 202. (a) In accordance with article 25 of the treaty of peace with Bulgaria, article 29 of the treaty of peace with Hungary, and article 27 of the treaty of peace with Rumania, any property which was blocked in accordance with Executive Order 8389 of April 10, 1940, as amended, and remains blocked on the effective date of this title, and which, as of September 15, 1947, was owned directly or indirectly by Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania or by any national thereof as defined in such Executive order, shall vest in such officer or agency as the President may from time to time designate and shall vest when, as, and upon such terms as the President or his designee shall direct. Such property shall be sold or otherwise liquidated as expeditiously as possible after vesting under such rules and regulations as the President or his designee may prescribe. The net proceeds remaining upon completion of the administration and liquidation thereof, including the adjudication of any suits or claims with respect thereto under sections 207 and 208, shall be covered into the Treasury. Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this subsection, any such property determined by the President or his designee to be owned directly by a natural person shall not be vested under this subsection but shall remain blocked subject to release when, as, and upon such terms as the President or his designee may prescribe. If, at any time within one year from the date of the vesting of any property under this subsection, the President or his designee shall determine that it was directly owned at the date of vesting by a natural person, then the President or his designee shall divest such property and restore it to its blocked status prior to vesting, subject to release when, as, and upon such terms as the President or his designee may prescribe, or if such property has been liquidated, shall divest the net proceeds thereof and carry them in blocked accounts with the Treasury, bearing no interest, in the name of the owner thereof at the date of vesting,
subject to release when, as, and upon such terms as the President or his designee may prescribe.

"(b) The net proceeds of any property which was vested in the Alien Property Custodian or the Attorney General after December 17, 1941, pursuant to the Trading With the Enemy Act, as amended, and which at the date of vesting was owned directly or indirectly by Bulgaria, Hungary, or Rumania, or any national thereof, shall after completion of the administration, liquidation, and disposition of such property pursuant to such Act, including the adjudication of any suits or claims with respect thereto under such Act, be covered into the Treasury, except that the net proceeds of any such property which the President or his designee shall determine was directly owned by a natural person at the date of vesting shall be divested by the President or such officer or agency as he may designate and carried in blocked accounts with the Treasury, bearing no interest, in the name of the owner thereof at the date of vesting, subject to release when, as, and upon such terms as the President or his designee may prescribe.

"(c) The determination under this section that any vested property was not directly owned by a natural person at the date of vesting shall be within the sole discretion of the President or his designee and shall not be subject to review by any court.

"(d) The President or his designee may require any person to furnish, in the form of reports or otherwise, complete information, including information with regard to past transactions, relative to any property blocked under Executive Order 8889 of April 10, 1940, as amended, or as may be otherwise necessary to enforce the provisions of this section; and the President or his designee may require of any person the production of any books of account, records, contracts, letters, memoranda, or other papers relative to such property or as may be otherwise necessary to enforce the provisions of this section.

"Sec. 203. Whenever shares of stock or other beneficial interest in any corporation, association, or company or trust are vested in any officer or agency designated by the President under this title, it shall be the duty of the corporation, association, or company or trust or trustees issuing such shares or any certificates or other instruments representing the same or any other beneficial interest to cancel such shares or any certificates or other instruments of such property and in lieu thereof to issue certificates or other instruments for such shares or other beneficial interest to the designee of the President, or otherwise as such designee shall require.

"Sec. 204. Any vesting order, or other order or requirement issued pursuant to this title, or a duly certified copy thereof, may be filed, registered, or recorded in any office for the filing, registering, or recording of conveyances, transfers, or assignments of such property as may be covered by such order or requirement; and if so filed, registered, or recorded shall impart the same notice and have the same force and effect as a duly executed conveyance, transfer, or assignment so filed, registered, or recorded.

"Sec. 205. Any payment, conveyance, transfer, assignment, or delivery of property made to the President or his designee pursuant to this title, or any rule, regulation, instruction, or direction issued under this title, shall to the extent thereof be a full acquittance and discharge for all purposes of the obligation of the person making the same; and no person shall be held liable in any court for or in respect of any such payment, conveyance, transfer, assignment, or delivery made in good faith in pursuance of and in reliance on the provisions of this title, or of any rule, regulation, instruction, or direction issued thereunder.

"Sec. 206. The district courts of the United States are given jurisdiction to make and enter all such rules as to notice and otherwise,
and all such orders and decrees, and to issue such process as may be necessary and proper in the premises to enforce the provisions of this title, with a right of appeal from the final order or decree of such court as provided in sections 1252, 1254, 1291, and 1292 of title 28, United States Code.

Sec. 207. (a) Any person who has not filed a notice of claim under subsection (b) of this section may institute a suit in equity for the return of any property, or the net proceeds thereof, vested in a designee of the President pursuant to section 202 (a) and held by such designee. Such suit, to which said designee shall be made a party defendant, shall be instituted in the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia or in the district court of the United States for the district in which the claimant resides, or, if a corporation, where it has its principal place of business, by the filing of a complaint which alleges—

"(1) that the claimant is a person other than Bulgaria, Hungary, or Rumania, or a national thereof as defined in Executive Order 8889 of April 10, 1940, as amended; and

"(2) that the claimant was the owner of such property immediately prior to its vesting, or is the successor in interest of such owner by inheritance, devise, or bequest.

If the court finds in favor of the claimant, it shall order the payment, conveyance, transfer, assignment, or delivery to said claimant of such property, or the net proceeds thereof, held by said designee or the portion thereof to which the court shall determine said claimant is entitled. If suit shall be so instituted, then such property, or, if liquidated, the net proceeds thereof, shall be retained in the custody of said designee until any final judgment or decree which shall be entered in favor of the claimant shall be fully satisfied, or until final judgment or decree shall be entered against the claimant or suit otherwise terminated.

Notice of claim. (b) Any person who has not instituted a suit under the provisions of subsection (a) of this section may file a notice of claim under oath for the return of any property, or the net proceeds thereof, vested in a designee of the President pursuant to section 202 (a) and held by such designee. Such notice of claim shall be filed with said designee in such form and containing such particulars as said designee shall require. Said designee may return any property so claimed, or the net proceeds thereof, whenever he shall determine—

"(1) that the claimant is a person other than Bulgaria, Hungary, or Rumania, or a national thereof as defined in Executive Order 8889 of April 10, 1940, as amended; and

"(2) that the claimant was the owner of such property immediately prior to its vesting, or is the successor in interest of such owner by inheritance, devise, or bequest.

Review of denial. Any person whose claim is finally denied in whole or in part by said designee may obtain review of such denial by filing a petition therefor in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. Such petition for review must be filed within sixty days after the date of mailing of the final order of denial by said designee and a copy must be served on the said designee. Within forty-five days after service of such petition for review, or within such further time as the court may grant for good cause shown, said designee shall file an answer thereto, and shall certify and file with the court a transcript of the entire record of the proceedings with respect to such claim. The court may enter judgment affirming the order of the designee; or, upon finding that such order is not in accordance with law or that any material findings upon which such order is based are unsupported by substantial evidence, may enter judgment modifying or setting
aside the order in whole or in part, and (1) directing a return of all or part of the property claimed, or (2) remanding the claim for further administrative proceedings thereon. If a notice of claim is filed under this subsection, the property which is the subject of such claim, or, if liquidated, the net proceeds thereof, shall be retained in the custody of said designee until any final order of said designee or any final judgment or decree which shall be entered in favor of the claimant shall be fully satisfied, or until a final order of said designee or a final judgment or decree shall be entered against the claimant, or the claim or suit otherwise terminated.

"(c) The sole relief and remedy of any person having any claim to any property vested pursuant to section 202 (a) shall be that provided by the terms of subsection (a) or (b) of this section, and in the event of the liquidation by sale or otherwise of such property, shall be limited to and enforced against the net proceeds received therefrom and held by the designee of the President. The claim of any person based on his ownership of shares of stock or other proprietary interest in a corporation which was the owner of property at the date of vesting thereof under section 202 (a) shall be allowable under subsection (a) or (b) of this section if 25 per centum or more of the outstanding capital stock or other proprietary interest in the corporation was owned at such date by nationals of countries other than Bulgaria, Hungary, Rumania, Germany, or Japan. But no such claim of a national of a foreign country shall be satisfied except after certification by the Department of State that the country of the national accords protection to nationals of the United States in similar types of cases.

"(d) The designee of the President may retain or recover from any property, or the net proceeds thereof, returned pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this section an amount not exceeding that expended or incurred by him for the conservation, preservation, or maintenance of such property or proceeds.

"SEC. 208. (a) Any property vested in the designee of the President pursuant to section 202 (a), or the net proceeds thereof, shall be equitably applied by such designee in accordance with this section to the payment of debts owed by the person who owned such property immediately prior to its vesting in such designee. No debt claim shall be allowed under this section—

"(1) if it is asserted against Bulgaria, Hungary, or Rumania (including the government or any political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities thereof); or

"(2) if it is based upon an obligation expressed or payable in any currency other than the currency of the United States; or

"(3) if it was not due and owing—

"(A) on October 9, 1940, in the event the property in respect of which such debt claim is filed was owned immediately prior to vesting by a national of Rumania;

"(B) on March 4, 1941, in the event the property in respect of which such debt claim is filed was owned immediately prior to vesting by a national of Bulgaria; or

"(C) on March 13, 1941, in the event that the property in respect of which such debt claim is filed was owned immediately prior to vesting by a national of Hungary.

Any defense to the payment of such claim which would have been available to the debtor shall be available to the designee, except that the period from and after December 7, 1941, shall not be included for the purpose of determining the applicability of any statute of limitations. Debt claims allowable under this section shall include only those of natural persons who were citizens of the United States at
the dates their debtors became obligated to them; those of other natural persons who are and have been continuously since December 7, 1941, residents of the United States; those of corporations organized under the laws of the United States or any State, Territory, or possession thereof, or the District of Columbia; and those acquired by the designee of the President under this title. Successors in interest by inheritance, devise, bequest, or operation of law of debt claimants, other than persons who would themselves be disqualified hereunder from allowance of a debt claim, shall be eligible for payment to the same extent as their principals or predecessors would have been.

"(b) The designee of the President under this title shall fix a date or dates after which the filing of debt claims in respect of any or all debtors shall be barred, and may extend the time so fixed, and shall give at least sixty days' notice thereof by publication in the Federal Register. In no event shall the time extend beyond the expiration of one year from the date of the last vesting in the designee of the President of any property of a debtor in respect to whose debts the date is fixed. No debt shall be paid prior to the expiration of one hundred and twenty days after publication of the first such notice in respect of the debtor, nor in any event shall any payment of a debt claim be made out of any property or proceeds in respect of which a suit or proceeding for return pursuant to this title is pending.

"(c) The designee shall examine the claims, and such evidence in respect thereof as may be presented to him or as he may introduce into the record, and shall make a determination, with respect to each claim, of allowance or disallowance, in whole or in part. The determination of the designee that a claim is within either paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall be final and shall not be subject to judicial review, and such claim shall not be considered a debt claim for any purpose under this section.

"(d) Payment of debt claims shall be made only out of such money included in, or received as net proceeds from the sale, use, or other disposition of, any property owned by the debtor immediately prior to its vesting in the designee of the President, as shall remain after deduction of (1) the amount of the expenses of the designee (including both expenses in connection with such property or proceeds thereof, and such portion as the designee shall fix of his other expenses), and of taxes, as defined in section 212, paid by the designee in respect of such property or proceeds; and (2) such amount, if any, as the designee may establish as a cash reserve for the future payment of such expenses and taxes. If the money available hereunder for the payment of debt claims against the debtor is insufficient for the satisfaction of all claims allowed by the designee, ratable payments shall be made in accordance with subsection (g) of this section to the extent permitted by the money available and additional payments shall be made whenever the designee shall determine that substantial further money has become available, through liquidation of any such property or otherwise. The designee shall not be required, through any judgment of any court, levy of execution, or otherwise, to sell or liquidate any property vested in him, for the purpose of paying or satisfying any debt claim.

"(e) If the aggregate of debt claims filed as prescribed does not exceed the money from which, in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, payment may be made, the designee shall pay each claim to the extent allowed, and shall serve by registered mail, on each claimant whose claim is disallowed in whole or in part, a notice of such disallowance. Within sixty days after the date of mailing of the designee's determination, any debt claimant whose claim has
been disallowed in whole or in part may file in the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia a complaint for review of such disallowance naming the designee as defendant. Such complaint shall be served on the designee. The designee, within forty-five days after service on him, shall certify and file in said court a transcript of the record of proceedings with respect to the claim in question. Upon good cause shown such time may be extended by the court. Such record shall include the claim as filed, such evidence with respect thereto as may have been presented to the designee or introduced into the record by him, and the determination of the designee with respect thereto, including any findings made by him. The court may, in its discretion, take additional evidence, upon a showing that such evidence was offered to and excluded by the designee, or could not reasonably have been adduced before him or was not available to him. The court shall enter judgment affirming, modifying, or reversing the designee's determination, and directing payment in the amount, if any, which it finds due.

“(f) If the aggregate of debt claims filed as prescribed exceeds the money from which, in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, payment may be made, the designee shall prepare and serve by registered mail on all claimants a schedule of all debt claims allowed and the proposed payment to each claimant. In preparing such schedule, the designee shall assign priorities in accordance with subsection (g) of this section. Within sixty days after the date of mailing of such schedule, any claimant considering himself aggrieved may file in the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia a complaint for review of such schedule, naming the designee as defendant. A copy of such complaint shall be served upon the designee and on each claimant named in the schedule. The designee, within forty-five days after service on him, shall certify and file in said court a transcript of the record of proceedings with respect to such schedule. Upon good cause shown such time may be extended by the court. Such record shall include the claims in question as filed, such evidence with respect thereto as may have been presented to the designee or introduced into the record by him, any findings or other determinations made by the designee with respect thereto, and the schedule prepared by the designee. The court may, in its discretion, take additional evidence, upon a showing that such evidence was offered to and excluded by the designee or could not reasonably have been adduced before him or was not available to him. Any interested debt claimant who has filed a claim with the designee pursuant to this section, upon timely application to the court, shall be permitted to intervene in such review proceedings. The court shall enter judgment affirming or modifying the schedule as prepared by the designee and directing payment, if any be found due, pursuant to the schedule as affirmed or modified and to the extent of the money from which, in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, payment may be made. Pending the decision of the court on such complaint for review, and pending final determination of any appeal from such decision, payment may be made only to an extent, if any, consistent with the contentions of all claimants for review.

“(g) Debt claims shall be paid in the following order of priority: (1) Wage and salary claims, not to exceed $600; (2) claims entitled to priority under sections 3466 and 3468 of the Revised Statutes (31 U. S. C., secs. 191 and 193), except as provided in subsection (h) of this section; (3) all other claims for services rendered, for expenses incurred in connection with such services, for rent, for goods and materials delivered to the debtor, and for payments made to the debtor for goods or services not received by the claimant; (4) all other debt
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claims. No payment shall be made to claimants within a subordinate class unless the money from which, in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, payment may be made permits payment in full of all allowed claims in every prior class.

(b) No debt of any kind shall be entitled to priority under any law of the United States or any State, Territory, or possession thereof, or the District of Columbia, solely by reason of becoming a debt due or owing to the United States as a result of its acquisition by the designee of the President under this title.

(i) The sole relief and remedy available to any person seeking satisfaction of a debt claim out of any property vested in the designee under section 202 (a), or the proceeds thereof, shall be the relief and remedy provided in this section, and suits for the satisfaction of debt claims shall not be instituted, prosecuted, or further maintained except in conformity with this section. No person asserting any interest, right, or title in any property or proceeds acquired by the designee shall be barred from proceeding pursuant to this title for the return thereof, by reason of any proceeding which he may have brought pursuant to this section; nor shall any security interest asserted by the creditor in any such property or proceeds be deemed to have been waived solely by reason of such proceeding. Nothing contained in this section shall bar any person from the prosecution of any suit at law or in equity against the original debtor or against any other person who may be liable for the payment of any debt for which a claim might have been filed hereunder. No purchaser, lessee, licensee, or other transferee of any property from the designee shall, solely by reason of such purchase, lease, license, or transfer, become liable for the payment of any debt owed by the person who owned such property prior to its vesting in the designee. Payment by the designee to any debt claimant shall constitute, to the extent of payment, a discharge of the indebtedness represented by the claim.

SEC. 209. The officer or agency designated by the President under this title to entertain claims under section 207 (b) and section 208 shall have power to hold such hearings as may be deemed necessary; to prescribe rules and regulations governing the form and contents of claims, the proof thereof, and all other matters related to proceedings on such claims; and in connection with such proceedings to issue subpoenas, administer oaths, and examine witnesses. Such powers, and any other powers conferred upon such officer or agency by section 207 (b) and section 208 may be exercised through subordinate officers designated by such officer or agency.

SEC. 210. No suit may be instituted pursuant to section 207 (a) after the expiration of one year from the date of vesting of the property in respect of which relief is sought. No return may be made pursuant to section 207 (b) unless notice of claim has been filed within one year from the date of vesting of the property in respect of which the claim is filed.

SEC. 211. No property or proceeds shall be returned under this title, nor shall any payment be made or judgment awarded in respect of any property vested in any officer or agency designated by the President under this title unless satisfactory evidence is furnished to said designee, or the court, as the case may be, that the aggregate of the fees to be paid to all agents, attorneys at law or in fact, or representatives, for services rendered in connection with such return or payment or judgment does not exceed 10 per centum of the value of such property or proceeds or of such payment. Any agent, attorney at law or in fact, or representative, believing that the aggregate of the fees should be in excess of such 10 per centum may, in the case of any return of, or the making of any payment in respect of,
such property or proceeds by the President or such officer or agency as he may designate, petition the district court of the United States for the district in which he resides for an order authorizing fees in excess of 10 per centum and shall name such officer or agency as respondent. The court hearing such petition or a court awarding any judgment in respect of any such property or proceeds, as the case may be, shall approve an aggregate of fees in excess of 10 per centum of the value of such property or proceeds only upon a finding that there exist special circumstances of unusual hardship which require the payment of such excess. Any person accepting any fee in excess of an amount approved under this section, or retaining for more than thirty days any portion of a fee, accepted prior to such approval, in excess of the fee as approved, shall be guilty of a violation of this title.

"Sec. 212. (a) The vesting in any officer or agency designated by the President under this title of any property or the receipt by such designee of any earnings, increment, or proceeds thereof shall not render inapplicable any Federal, State, Territorial, or local tax for any period before or after such vesting.

(b) The officer or agency designated by the President under this title shall, notwithstanding the filing of any claim or the institution of any suit under this title, pay any tax incident to any such property, or the earnings, increment, or proceeds thereof, at the earliest time appearing to him to be not contrary to the interest of the United States. The former owner shall not be liable for any such tax accruing while such property, earnings, increment, or proceeds are held by such designee, unless they are returned pursuant to this title without payment of such tax by the designee. Every such tax shall be paid by the designee to the same extent, as nearly as may be deemed practicable, as though the property had not been vested, and shall be paid only out of the property, or earnings, increment, or proceeds thereof, to which they are incident or out of other property acquired from the same former owner, or earnings, increment, or proceeds thereof. No tax liability may be enforced from any property or the earnings, increment, or proceeds thereof while held by the designee except with his consent. Where any property is transferred, otherwise than pursuant to section 207 (a) or 207 (b) hereof, the designee may transfer the property free and clear of any tax, except to the extent of any lien for a tax existing and perfected at the date of vesting, and the proceeds of such transfer shall, for tax purposes, replace the property in the hands of the designee.

(c) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, the manner of computing any Federal taxes, including without limitation by reason of this enumeration, the applicability in such computation of credits, deductions, and exemptions to which the former owner is or would be entitled, and the time and manner of any payment of such taxes and the extent of any compliance by the designee with provisions of Federal law and regulations applicable with respect to Federal taxes, shall be in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury to effectuate this section. Statutes of limitations on assessments, collection, refund, or credit of Federal taxes shall be suspended with respect to any vested property or the earnings, increment, or proceeds thereof, while vested and for six months thereafter; but no interest shall be paid upon any refund with respect to any period during which the statute of limitations is so suspended.

(d) The word 'tax' as used in this section shall include, without limitation by reason of this enumeration, any property, income, excess-profits, war-profits, excise, estate, and employment tax, import duty,
and special assessment; and also any interest, penalty, additional amount, or addition thereto not arising from any act, omission, neglect, failure, or delay on the part of the designee.

"Sec. 213. Prior to covering the net proceeds of liquidation of any property into the Treasury pursuant to section 202 (a), the designee of the President under this title shall determine—

"(1) the amount of his administrative expenses attributable to the performance of his functions under this title with respect to such property and the proceeds thereof. The amount so determined, together with an amount not exceeding that expended or incurred for the conservation, preservation, or maintenance of such property and the proceeds thereof, and for taxes in respect of same, shall be deducted and retained by the designee from the proceeds otherwise covered into the Treasury; and

"(2) that the time for the institution of a suit under section 207 (a), for the filing of a notice of claim under section 207 (b), and for the filing of debt claims under section 208 has elapsed.

The determinations of the designee under this section shall be final and conclusive.

"Sec. 214. No property conveyed, transferred, assigned, delivered, or paid to the designee of the President under this title, or the net proceeds thereof, shall be liable to lien, attachment, garnishment, trustee process, or execution, or subject to any order or decree of any court, except as provided in this title.

"Sec. 215. Whoever shall willfully violate any provision of this title or any rule or regulation issued hereunder, and whoever shall willfully violate, neglect, or refuse to comply with any order of the President or of a designee of the President under this title, issued in compliance with the provisions of this title shall be fined not more than $5,000, or, if a natural person, imprisoned for not more than five years, or both; and the officer, director, or agent of any corporation who knowingly participates in such violation shall be punished by a like fine, imprisonment, or both.

"TITLE III

"CLAIMS AGAINST BULGARIA, HUNGARY, RUMANIA, ITALY, AND THE SOVIET UNION

"Sec. 301. As used in this title the term—

"(1) ‘Person’ means a natural person, partnership, association, other unincorporated body, corporation, or body politic.

"(2) ‘National of the United States’ means (A) a natural person who is a citizen of the United States, or who owes permanent allegiance to the United States, and (B) a corporation or other legal entity which is organized under the laws of the United States, any State or Territory thereof, or the District of Columbia, if natural persons who are nationals of the United States own, directly or indirectly, more than 50 per centum of the outstanding capital stock or other beneficial interest in such legal entity. It does not include aliens.

"(3) ‘Treaty of peace’, with respect to a country, means the treaty of peace with that country signed at Paris, France, February 10, 1947, which came into force between that country and the United States on September 15, 1947.

"(4) ‘Memorandum of Understanding’ means the Memorandum of Understanding between the United States and Italy regarding Italian assets in the United States and certain claims of nationals of the United States, signed at Washington, District of Columbia, August 14, 1947 (61 Stat. 3962).
(5) 'Soviet Government' means the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, including any of its present or former constituent republics, other political subdivisions, and any territories thereof, as constituted on or prior to November 16, 1933.

(6) 'Litvinov Assignment' means (A) the communication dated November 16, 1933, from Maxim Litvinov to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, wherein the Soviet Government assigned to the Government of the United States amounts admitted or found to be due it as the successor of prior governments of Russia, or otherwise, preparatory to a final settlement of the claims outstanding between the two Governments and the claims of their nationals; (B) the communication dated November 16, 1933, from President Franklin D. Roosevelt to Maxim Litvinov, accepting such assignment; and (C) the assignments executed by Serge Ughet on August 25, 1933, and November 15, 1933, assigning certain assets to the Government of the United States.

(7) 'Russian national' includes any corporation or business association organized under the laws, decrees, ordinances, or acts of the former Empire of Russia or of any government successor thereto, and subsequently nationalized or dissolved or whose assets were taken over by the Soviet Government or which was merged with any other corporation or organization by the Soviet Government.


(9) 'Property' means any property, right, or interest.

SEC. 302. There are hereby created in the Treasury of the United States five funds to be known as the Bulgarian Claims Fund, the Hungarian Claims Fund, the Rumanian Claims Fund, the Italian Claims Fund, and the Soviet Claims Fund. The Secretary of the Treasury shall cover into each of the Hungarian, Rumanian, and Bulgarian Claims Funds, the funds attributable to the respective country or its nationals covered into the Treasury pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) of section 202 of this Act. The Secretary of the Treasury shall cover into the Italian Claims Fund the sum of $5,000,000 paid to the United States by the Government of Italy pursuant to article II of the Memorandum of Understanding. The Secretary shall cover into the Treasury the funds collected by the United States pursuant to the Litvinov Assignment (including postal funds due prior to November 16, 1933, to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics because of money orders certified to that country for payment) and shall cover into the Soviet Claims Fund the funds so covered into the Treasury. The Secretary shall deduct from each claims fund 5 per centum thereof as reimbursement to the Government of the United States for the expenses incurred by the Commission and by the Treasury Department in the administration of this title. Such deduction shall be made before any payment is made out of such fund under section 310. All amounts so deducted shall be covered into the Treasury to the credit of miscellaneous receipts.

SEC. 303. The Commission shall receive and determine in accordance with applicable substantive law, including international law, the validity and amounts of claims of nationals of the United States against the Governments of Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania, or any of them, arising out of the failure to—

(1) restore or pay compensation for property of nationals of the United States as required by article 23 of the treaty of peace with Bulgaria, articles 26 and 27 of the treaty of peace with Hungary, and articles 24 and 26 of the treaty of peace
with Rumania. Awards under this paragraph shall be in amounts not to exceed two-thirds of the loss or damage actually sustained;

“(2) pay effective compensation for the nationalization, compulsory liquidation, or other taking, prior to the effective date of this title, of property of nationals of the United States in Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania; and

“(3) meet obligations expressed in currency of the United States arising out of contractual or other rights acquired by nationals of the United States prior to April 24, 1941, in the case of Bulgaria, and prior to September 1, 1939, in the case of Hungary and Rumania, and which became payable prior to September 15, 1947.

“Sec. 304. The Commission shall receive and determine, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding and applicable substantive law, including international law, the validity and amount of claims of nationals of the United States against the government of Italy arising out of the war in which Italy was engaged from June 10, 1940, to September 19, 1947, and with respect to which provision was not made in the treaty of peace with Italy.

“Sec. 305. (a) The Commission shall receive and determine in accordance with applicable substantive law, including international law, the validity and amounts of—

“(1) claims of nationals of the United States against a Russian national originally accruing in favor of a national of the United States with respect to which a judgment was entered in, or a warrant of attachment issued from, any court of the United States or of a State of the United States in favor of a national of the United States, with which judgment or warrant of attachment a lien was obtained by a national of the United States, prior to November 16, 1933, upon any property in the United States which has been taken, collected, recovered, or liquidated by the Government of the United States pursuant to the Litvinov Assignment. Awards under this paragraph shall not exceed the proceeds of such property as may have been subject to the lien of the judgment or attachment; nor, in the event that such proceeds are less than the aggregate amount of all valid claims so related to the same property, exceed an amount equal to the proportion which each such claim bears to the total amount of such proceeds; and

“(2) claims, arising prior to November 16, 1933, of nationals of the United States against the Soviet Government.

“(b) Any judgment entered in any court of the United States or of a State of the United States shall be binding upon the Commission in its determination, under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this section, of any issue which was determined by the court in which the judgment was entered.

“(c) The Commission shall give preference to the disposition of the claims referred to in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this section, over all other claims presented to it under this title.

“Sec. 306. Within sixty days after the date of enactment of this title, or within sixty days after the date of enactment of legislation making appropriations to the Commission for payment of administrative expenses incurred in carrying out its functions under this title, whichever date is later, the Commission shall publish in the Federal Register the time when and the limit of time within which claims may be filed under this title, which limit shall not be more than one year after such publication, except that with respect to claims under section 305 this limit shall not exceed six months.
"Sec. 307. The amount of any award made pursuant to this title based on a claim of a national of the United States other than the national of the United States to whom the claim originally accrued shall not exceed the amount of the actual consideration last paid therefor either prior to January 1, 1953, or between that date and the filing of the claim, whichever is less.

"Sec. 308. The Commission shall as soon as possible, and in the order of the making of such awards, certify to the Secretary of the Treasury, in terms of United States currency, each award made pursuant to this title.

"Sec. 309. All payments authorized under this title shall be disbursed exclusively from the claims fund attributable to the country with respect to which the claims are allowed pursuant to this title. All amounts covered into the Treasury to the credit of the claims funds created by section 302 are hereby permanently appropriated for the making of the payments authorized under this title.

"Sec. 310. (a) The Secretary of the Treasury shall make payments on account of awards certified by the Commission pursuant to this title as follows:

(1) Payment in full of the principal amount of each award made pursuant to section 305 (a) (1) and each award of $1,000 or less made pursuant to section 303 or 304;

(2) Payment in full of the principal amount of each award of $1,000 or less made pursuant to section 305 (a) (2);

(3) Payment in the amount of $1,000 on account of the principal of each award of more than $1,000 in amount made pursuant to section 303, 304, or 305 (a) (2);

(4) After completing the payments under the preceding paragraphs of this subsection from any one fund, payments from time to time, in ratable proportions, on account of the then unpaid principal of all awards in the principal amount of more than $1,000, according to the proportions which the unpaid principal of such awards bears to the total amount in the fund available for distribution on account of such awards at the time such payments are made;

(5) After payment has been made in full of the principal amounts of all awards from any one fund, pro rata payments from the remainder of such fund then available for distribution on account of accrued interest on such awards as bear interest.

(b) Such payments, and applications for such payments, shall be made in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe.

(c) For the purposes of making any such payments, an ‘award’ shall be deemed to mean the aggregate of all awards certified in favor of the same claimant and payable from the same fund.

(d) With respect to any claim which, at the time of the award, is vested in persons other than the person to whom the claim originally accrued, the Commission may issue a consolidated award in favor of all claimants then entitled thereto, which award shall indicate the respective interests of such claimants therein; and all such claimants shall participate, in proportion to their indicated interests, in the payments provided by this section in all respects as if the award had been in favor of a single person.

"Sec. 311. (a) If a corporation or other legal entity has a claim on which an award may be made under this title, no award may be made to any other person under this title with respect to such claim. A claim based upon an interest, direct or indirect, in a corporation or other legal entity which directly suffered the loss with respect to which the claim is asserted, but which was not a national of the United States at the time of the loss, shall be acted upon without regard to the corporation.
to the nationality of such legal entity if at the time of the loss at least 25 per centum of the outstanding capital stock or other beneficial interest in such entity was owned, directly or indirectly, by natural persons who were nationals of the United States.

"Sec. 312. No award shall be made under this title to or for the benefit of any person who voluntarily, knowingly, and without duress, gave aid to or collaborated with or in any manner served any government hostile to the United States during World War II, or who has been convicted of a violation of any provision of chapter 115, of title 18, of the United States Code, or of any other crime involving disloyalty to the United States.

"Sec. 313. Payment of any award made pursuant to section 303 or 305 shall not, unless such payment is for the full amount of the claim, as determined by the Commission to be valid, with respect to which the award is made, extinguish such claim, or be construed to have divested any claimant, or the United States on his behalf, of any rights against the appropriate foreign government or national for the unpaid balance of his claim or for restitution of his property. All awards or payments made pursuant to this title shall be without prejudice to the claims of the United States against any foreign government.

"Sec. 314. The action of the Commission in allowing or denying any claim under this title shall be final and conclusive on all questions of law and fact and not subject to review by any other official of the United States or by any court by mandamus or otherwise, and the Comptroller General shall allow credit in the accounts of any certifying or disbursing officer for payments in accordance with such action.

"Sec. 315. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to enable the Commission and the Treasury Department to pay their administrative expenses incurred in carrying out their functions under this title.

"Sec. 316. The Commission shall complete its affairs in connection with the settlement of claims pursuant to section 305 (a) (1) not later than two years, and all other claims pursuant to this title not later than four years, following the date of enactment of this title, or following the date of enactment of legislation making appropriations to the Commission for the payment of administrative expenses incurred in carrying out its functions under this title, whichever date is later.

"Sec. 317. (a) The total remuneration paid to all agents, attorneys-at-law or in fact, or representatives, for services rendered on behalf of any claimant in connection with any claim filed with the Commission shall not exceed 10 per centum of the total amount paid under this title on account of such claim, or such greater amount as may be determined pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. Any agreement to the contrary shall be unlawful and void. Whoever, in the United States or elsewhere, demands or receives, on account of services so rendered, any remuneration which, together with all remuneration paid to other persons on account of such services and of which he has notice, is in excess of the maximum permitted by this section, shall be fined not more than $5,000 or imprisoned not more than twelve months, or both.

(b) Not later than three months after the Commission has completed its affairs in connection with the settlement of all claims payable from the fund from which an award is payable, any agent, attorney-at-law or in fact, or representative who believes that the total remuneration for services rendered in connection with the claim upon which such award is made should exceed the maximum otherwise permitted by this section may, pursuant to such procedure as the Com-
mission shall prescribe by regulation, petition the Commission for an order authorizing the payment of remuneration in excess of such maximum. The Commission shall issue such an order only upon a finding that there exist special circumstances of unusual hardship which require the payment of such excess; and such order shall state the amount of the excess which may so be paid. The determination of the Commission in ruling upon such petition shall be within the sole discretion of the Commission and shall not be subject to review by any court.

"Sec. 318. The following provisions of title I shall be applicable to this title: Subsections (b), (c), (d), (e), (h), and (j) of section 4, and subsections (c), (d), (e), and (f) of section 7."

Sec. 4. Public Resolution Numbered 36, Seventy-sixth Congress, approved August 4, 1939 (53 Stat. 1199), entitled "Resolution to provide for the adjudication by a Commissioner of Claims of American nationals against the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics", is hereby repealed.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 286

AN ACT

To authorize the dual employment of custodial employees in post office buildings operated by the General Services Administration, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General, with the consent of the Administrator of General Services, may appoint custodial employees working under the jurisdiction of the General Services Administration at Federal buildings occupied in any part by the postal service to positions in the postal service to perform postal duties in addition to their regular duties as such custodial employees, without regard to section 2 of the Act of July 31, 1894, as amended (U. S. C., title 5, sec. 62). Such employees shall be paid compensation at the rate provided by law for each position, without regard to the provisions of sections 1763, 1764, and 1765 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 5, secs. 58, 69, and 70).

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 287

AN ACT

To provide recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming, the first national monument, established by the President of the United States pursuant to the Antiquities Act of 1906; to authorize the addition of certain land to the monument, to permit land exchanges, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming, the first national monument, established on September 24, 1906, by the President of the United States pursuant to the Antiquities Act of 1906, and in order to provide suitable public campground facilities and other developments for the public benefit and to facilitate administration thereof, the Devils Tower National Monument here-
after shall include the following described land comprising approximately one hundred and fifty-five acres, which the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to procure in such manner as he shall find to be in the public interest:

SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

Township 53 north, range 65 west, section 18, south half northeast quarter, southeast quarter northwest quarter, north half southeast quarter, those parts lying north of and within a loop of the left bank of the Belle Fourche River; southwest quarter northwest quarter, that part lying west of the left bank of the Belle Fourche River;

Township 53 north, range 66 west, section 13, south half northeast quarter.

Sec. 2. For land exchange purposes, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept title to any land or interests therein situated within the area added to the national monument by this Act, and, in exchange for land or interests therein so accepted, to convey any national monument land or interests therein of approximately equal value situated in the northeast quarter of section 18, township 53 north, range 65 west, and lying east of the Belle Fourche River. National monument lands so conveyed for exchange purposes shall be excluded from the national monument.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 288

AN ACT

To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 352 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by striking out the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and inserting: "Provided, however, That for 1956 no national acreage allotment shall be established which is less than 85 per centum of the final allotment established for the immediately preceding year."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 289

AN ACT

To declare the portion of the waterway of West Haven and New Haven, Connecticut, known as the West River, northerly of a line running north 85 degrees 54 minutes 43.5 seconds east from a point whose coordinates in the Corps of Engineers Harbor Line System are north 4,616.76 and west 9,450.80, a non-navigable stream.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the portion of the waterway in which is located the West River in the town of West Haven, Connecticut, and the city of New Haven, Connecticut, lying northerly of a line extending north 85 degrees 54 minutes 43.5 seconds east, from a point (1,158.535 feet from the most westerly corner of the existing bulkhead and pier line) whose coordinates in the Corps of Engineers Harbor Line System are north 4,316.76 and west 9,450.80, is hereby declared to be a nonnavigable water of the United States.
within the meaning of the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Sec. 2. The line hereinbefore described shall be established as a
combined pierhead and bulkhead line of the West River.

Sec. 3. Any project heretofore authorized by an Act of Congress,
insofar as such project relates to the above-described portion of the
West River, is hereby abandoned.

Sec. 4. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby
expressly reserved.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 290

CHAPTER 650

AN ACT

To amend title 14, United States Code, so as to provide for compensatory absence
of Coast Guard military personnel serving at isolated aids to navigation, and
for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 432 (f)
of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting the words
"as amended" following the words "Federal Employees Pay Act of
1945".

Sec. 2. Section 432 (g) of title 14, United States Code, is amended
by amending the first sentence thereof to read as follows: "The head
of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, under regu-
lations prescribed by him, may regulate the hours of duty and the pay
of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed on lightships
and other vessels of the Coast Guard, but such personnel may be called
upon for duty in emergency circumstances or otherwise at any time
or all times".

Sec. 3. The analysis of chapter 13 of title 14, United States Code,
is amended by inserting in such analysis the following item:
"511. Compensatory absence of military personnel at isolated aids to navigation."

Sec. 4. Chapter 13 of title 14, United States Code, is amended
by inserting a new section as follows

"511. Compensatory absence of military personnel at isolated aids
to navigation.

"The head of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating,
under regulations prescribed by him, may grant compensatory absence
from duty to military personnel of the Coast Guard serving in lighthouses
and at lighthouses and other isolated aids to navigation of the
Coast Guard when conditions of duty result in confinement because
of isolation or in long periods of continuous duty."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 291

CHAPTER 651

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation to convey certain
land to Kerr County, Texas.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the
second paragraph of the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to
provide for the conveyance to the Texas Hill Country Development
Foundation of certain surplus land situated in Kerr County, Texas",
approved June 28, 1854 (Private Law 480, Eighty-third Congress), or
any term, reservation, restriction, or condition placed in the deed of conveyance (dated February 1, 1955) granted by the Administrator of General Services under authority of such joint resolution, the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation is hereby authorized to convey to Kerr County, Texas, all of the land described in such deed of February 1, 1955.

Sec. 2. Any deed of conveyance granted under authority of this Act shall be subject to the same terms and conditions, and the land conveyed thereby shall be used for the same purposes, as required by such joint resolution of June 28, 1954, and the deed granted under authority thereof.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 292

AN ACT

To amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 333 (b) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by inserting in the first sentence thereof the words "in the State" immediately following the words "on the basis of past production of rice" and immediately following the words "taking into consideration the acreage allotments previously established".

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 293

AN ACT

To authorize the conveyance to the city of Anniston, Alabama, of certain real property within Fort McClellan, Alabama.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is authorized, if he determines that the real property described in section 2 of this Act is excess to the requirements of the Department of Defense, to convey to the city of Anniston, Alabama, at the then fair market value thereof, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to such real property subject to (1) the condition that if the real property conveyed under authority of this Act shall not be utilized for municipal purposes prior to the expiration of a period of two years from the date of the conveyance made pursuant to this Act, all the right, title, and interest, in and to such property, shall revert to and become the property of the United States who shall have the immediate right of entry thereon, and (2) subject to such other terms and conditions as he may prescribe.

Sec. 2. The real property referred to in the first section is a parcel of land in the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 32, township 15 south, range 8 east, and a parcel of land in the southwest quarter of section 29, township 15 south, range 8 east, and lying west of the Anniston-Fort McClellan Highway, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the Anniston city limits line and the west right-of-way line of Anniston-Fort McClellan Highway, said point being 740 feet east of and 253 feet south of the south-
west corner of the southeast quarter of southwest quarter of section 29, township 15 south, range 8 east, thence northerly along said west right-of-way line of said Anniston-Fort McClellan Highway, 2,715 feet, more or less, to a point on the south boundary line of the Old Anniston-Jacksonville Road, thence southerly along the meanderings of the south boundary of the Old Anniston-Jacksonville Road to the point of intersection with the south boundary line of the northwest quarter of southwest quarter section 29, township 15 south, range 8 east, thence east along aforesaid south boundary line of said northwestern quarter of southwest quarter section 29, township 15 south, range 8 east, 455 feet more or less, to the southeast corner of said northwest quarter of southwest quarter of said section 29, township 15 south, range 8 east, thence south along the west boundary line of the southeast quarter of southwest quarter of section 29, township 15 south, range 8 east, 38.5 acres, more or less, in Calhoun County, Alabama.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 294

AN ACT

To authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That men may be appointed as Reserve commissioned officers in the Nurse Corps of the Naval Reserve and as Reserve officers of the Air Force designated to perform nursing or medical specialist duties, under the same provisions of law as are applicable to women, except as may be necessary to adapt such provisions to male persons.

Sec. 2. The Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 is hereby amended as follows:

(1) In title I, by striking out "Women's" each time it occurs and inserting in lieu thereof "Army"; and

(2) In section 116 (10 U. S. C., sec. 376), by striking out "female citizens" and inserting in lieu thereof "male or female citizens, or male or female persons who have made a declaration of intent to become citizens."

Sec. 3. (a) Subsection (a) of section 307 of the Army Organization Act of 1950 (10 U. S. C., sec. 81-1) is hereby amended by striking out "Women's" and inserting in lieu thereof "Army".

(b) Section 307 of the Air Force Organization Act of 1951 (10 U. S. C., sec. 1837) is hereby amended by striking out "women's".

(c) Subsection (d) of section 203 of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (10 U. S. C., sec. 1003) is hereby amended by striking out "Women's" and inserting in lieu thereof "Army".

Sec. 4. In the computation of the pay, or retired or retirement pay, of any person appointed under the first section of this Act, or of any person appointed under section 116 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947, as amended, credit shall be given for all military and naval service rendered by such person with any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States, including active and inactive service with the reserve components thereof.

Approved August 9, 1955.
To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the “Defense Production Act Amendments of 1955”.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

“DECLARATION OF POLICY

“SEC. 2. In view of the present international situation and in order to provide for the national defense and national security, our mobilization effort continues to require some diversion of certain materials and facilities from civilian use to military and related purposes. It also requires the development of preparedness programs and the expansion of productive capacity and supply beyond the levels needed to meet the civilian demand, in order to reduce the time required for full mobilization in the event of an attack on the United States.”

SEC. 3. Section 303 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof a new subsection as follows:

“(g) When in his judgment it will aid the national defense, and upon a certification by the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of the Interior that a particular strategic and critical material is likely to be in short supply in time of war or other national emergency, the President may make provision for the development of substitutes for such strategic and critical materials.”

SEC. 4. Subsection (c) of section 701 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

“(c) Whenever the President invokes the powers given him in this Act to allocate any material in the civilian market, he shall do so in such a manner as to make available, so far as practicable, for business and various segments thereof in the normal channel of distribution of such material, a fair share of the available civilian supply based, so far as practicable, on the share received by such business under normal conditions during a representative period preceding any future allocation of materials: Provided, That the President shall, in the allocation of materials in the civilian market, give due consideration to the needs of new concerns and newly acquired operations, undue hardships of individual businesses, and the needs of smaller concerns in an industry.”

SEC. 5. Section 701 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended by adding after subsection (c) a new subsection as follows:

“(d) In order to further the objectives and purposes of this section, the Office of Defense Mobilization is directed to investigate the distribution of defense contracts with particular reference to the share of such contracts which has gone and is now going to small business, either directly or by subcontract; to review the policies, procedures, and administrative arrangements now being followed in order to increase participation by small business in the mobilization program; to explore all practical ways, whether by amendments to laws, policies, regulations, or administrative arrangements, or otherwise, to increase the share of defense procurement going to small business; to get from the departments and agencies engaged in procurement, and from other appropriate agencies including the Small Business Administration, their views and recommendations on ways to increase the share of
procurement going to small business; and to make a report to the President and the Congress, not later than six months after the enactment of the Defense Production Act Amendments of 1955, which report shall contain the following: (i) a full statement of the steps taken by the Office of Defense Mobilization in making investigations required by this subsection; (ii) the findings of the Office of Defense Mobilization with respect to the share of procurement which has gone and is now going to small business; (iii) a full and complete statement of the actions taken by the Office of Defense Mobilization and other agencies to increase such small business share; (iv) a full and complete statement of the recommendations made by the procurement agencies and other agencies consulted by the Office of Defense Mobilization; and (v) specific recommendations by the Office of Defense Mobilization for further action to increase the share of procurement going to small business."

Sec. 6. Section 708 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended—

(1) by inserting before the period at the end of the first sentence of subsection (b) a colon and the following: "Provided, however, That after the enactment of the Defense Production Act Amendments of 1955, the exemption from the prohibitions of the antitrust laws and the Federal Trade Commission Act of the United States shall apply only (1) to acts and omissions to act requested by the President or his duly authorized delegate pursuant to duly approved voluntary agreements or programs relating solely to the exchange between actual or prospective contractors of technical or other information, production techniques, and patents or patent rights, relating to equipment used primarily by or for the military which is being procured by the Department of Defense or any department thereof, and the exchange of materials, equipment, and personnel to be used in the production of such equipment; and (2) to acts and omissions to act requested by the President or his duly authorized delegate pursuant to voluntary agreements or programs which were duly approved under this section before the enactment of the Defense Production Act Amendments of 1955. The Attorney General shall review each of the voluntary agreements and programs covered by this section, and the activities being carried on thereunder, and, if he finds, after such review and after consultation with the Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization and other interested agencies, that the adverse effects of any such agreement or program on the competitive free enterprise system outweigh the benefits of the agreement or program to the national defense, he shall withdraw his approval in accordance with subsection (d) of this section. This review and determination shall be made within ninety days after the enactment of the Defense Production Act Amendments of 1955.";

(2) by inserting in subsection (d) thereof after the word "hereunder" the following: "or upon withdrawal by the Attorney General of his approval of the voluntary agreement or program on which the request or finding is based;";

(3) by inserting after the first sentence of subsection (e) thereof the following new sentence: "Such surveys, and the reports hereafter required, shall include studies of the voluntary agreements and programs authorized by this section;";

(4) by striking out from the last sentence of subsection (e) thereof the words "at such times thereafter as he deems desirable" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "at least once every three months".
Sec. 7. Section 710 (b) of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(b) (1) The President is further authorized, to the extent he deems it necessary and appropriate in order to carry out the provisions of this Act, and subject to such regulations as he may issue, to employ persons of outstanding experience and ability without compensation;

"(2) The President shall be guided in the exercise of the authority provided in this subsection by the following policies:

"(i) So far as possible, operations under the Act shall be carried on by full-time, salaried employees of the Government, and appointments under this authority shall be to advisory or consultative positions only.

"(ii) Appointments to positions other than advisory or consultative may be made under this authority only when the requirements of the position are such that the incumbent must personally possess outstanding experience and ability not obtainable on a full-time, salaried basis.

"(iii) In the appointment of personnel and in assignment of their duties, the head of the department or agency involved shall take steps to avoid, to as great an extent as possible, any conflict between the governmental duties and the private interests of such personnel.

"(3) Appointees under this subsection (b) shall, when policy matters are involved, be limited to advising appropriate full-time salaried Government officials who are responsible for making policy decisions.

"(4) Any person employed under this subsection (b) is hereby exempted, with respect to such employment, from the operation of sections 281, 283, 284, 434, and 1914 of title 18, United States Code, and section 190 of the Revised Statutes (5 U. S. C. 99), except that—

"(i) exemption hereunder shall not extend to the negotiation or execution, by such appointee, of Government contracts with the private employer of such appointee or with any corporation, joint stock company, association, firm, partnership, or other entity in the pecuniary profits or contracts of which the appointee has any direct or indirect interest;

"(ii) exemption hereunder shall not extend to making any recommendation or taking any action with respect to individual applications to the Government for relief or assistance, on appeal or otherwise, made by the private employer of the appointee or by any corporation, joint stock company, association, firm, partnership, or other entity in the pecuniary profits or contracts of which the appointee has any direct or indirect interest;

"(iii) exemption hereunder shall not extend to the prosecution by the appointee, or participation by the appointee in any fashion in the prosecution, of any claims against the Government involving any matter concerning which the appointee had any responsibility during his employment under this subsection, during the period of such employment and the further period of two years after the termination of such employment; and

"(iv) exemption hereunder shall not extend to the receipt or payment of salary in connection with the appointee's Government service hereunder from any source other than the private employer of the appointee at the time of his appointment hereunder.

"(5) Appointments under this subsection (b) shall be supported by written certification by the head of the employing department or agency—

"(i) that the appointment is necessary and appropriate in order to carry out the provisions of the Act;

"(ii) that the duties of the position to which the appointment is being made require outstanding experience and ability;
“(iii) that the appointee has the outstanding experience and ability required by the position; and
“(iv) that the department or agency head has been unable to obtain a person with the qualifications necessary for the position on a full-time, salaried basis.
“(6) The heads of the departments or agencies making appointments under this subsection (b) shall file with the Division of the Federal Register for publication in the Federal Register a statement including the name of the appointee, the employing department or agency, the title of his position, and the name of his private employer, and the appointee shall file with such Division for publication in the Federal Register a statement listing the names of any corporations of which he is an officer or director, or in which he owns, or within sixty days preceding his appointment has owned, any stocks, bonds, or other financial interests, and the names of any partnerships in which he is, or was within sixty days preceding his appointment, a partner, and the names of any other businesses in which he owns, or within such sixty-day period has owned, any similar interest. At the end of each succeeding six-month period, the appointee shall file with such Division for publication in the Federal Register a statement showing any changes in such interests during such period.
“(7) At least once every three months the Chairman of the United States Civil Service Commission shall survey appointments made under this subsection and shall report his findings to the President and the Joint Committee on Defense Production and make such recommendations as he may deem proper.
“(8) Persons appointed under the authority of this subsection may be allowed transportation and not to exceed $15 per diem in lieu of subsistence while away from their homes or regular places of business pursuant to such appointment.”

Sec. 8. Section 710 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is further amended by redesignating subsections “(e)” and “(f)” as subsections “(f)” and “(g)”, respectively, and by inserting after subsection “(d)” a new subsection as follows:

“(e) The President is further authorized to provide for the establishment and training of a nucleus executive reserve for employment in executive positions in Government during periods of emergency. Members of this executive reserve who are not full-time Government employees may be allowed transportation and not to exceed $15 per diem in lieu of subsistence while away from their homes or regular places of business for the purpose of participating in the executive reserve training program. The President is authorized to provide by regulation for the exemption of such persons who are not full-time Government employees from- the operation of sections 281, 283, 284, 62 Stat. 697, and 1914 of title 18 of the United States Code and section 190 of the Revised Statutes (5 U. S. C. 99).”

Sec. 9. Section 712 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended—

(1) by striking out “25” from the second sentence of subsection (e) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof “40”; and

(2) by striking out “$50,000” in the first sentence of subsection (e) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof “$65,000”.

Sec. 10. Section 717 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is amended by striking out “July 31, 1955” from the first sentence of subsection (a) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1956”.

Sec. 11. The provisions of this Act shall take effect as of the close of July 31, 1955.

Approved August 9, 1955.
AN ACT
Making recommendations to the States for the enactment of legislation to permit
and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and
their families, to exercise their voting franchise, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may
be cited as "The Federal Voting Assistance Act of 1955".

TITLE I
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONGRESS TO THE SEVERAL STATES

Sec. 101. The Congress hereby expresses itself as favoring, and
recommends that the several States take, immediate legislative or
administrative action to enable every person in any of the following
categories who is absent from the place of his voting residence to vote
by absentee ballot in any primary, special, or general election held
in his election district or precinct, if he is otherwise eligible to vote
in that election:

(1) Members of the Armed Forces while in the active service, and
their spouses and dependents.

(2) Members of the merchant marine of the United States, and
their spouses and dependents.

(3) Civilian employees of the United States in all categories serv-
ing outside the territorial limits of the several States of the United
States and the District of Columbia and their spouses and dependents
when residing with or accompanying them, whether or not the em-
ployee is subject to the civil-service laws and the Classification Act
of 1949, and whether or not paid from funds appropriated by the
Congress.

(4) Members of religious groups or welfare agencies assisting mem-
ers of the Armed Forces, who are officially attached to and serving
with the Armed Forces, and their spouses and dependents.

Sec. 102. To afford ample opportunity for persons covered by sec-
tion 101 of this Act to vote for Federal, State, and local officials and
to use the absentee balloting procedures to the greatest extent possible,
it is recommended that each of the several States—

(1) accept as applications for absentee ballots under such
States' absentee balloting laws, as applications for registration
under such States' election laws, and as sources of information
to implement State absentee balloting laws, the form of post card
(when duly executed by a person covered by section 101 of this
Act) provided pursuant to this Act;

(2) waive registration of persons covered by section 101 of
this Act, who, by reason of their service, have been deprived of
an opportunity to register;

(3) accept the post card application provided pursuant to this
Act as a simultaneous application for registration and for ballot;

(4) if a special application is required for registration by mail,
provide that the necessary forms will be sent with the absentee
ballot and may be returned with it;

(5) make provision for persons eligible to register and qualified
to vote, who have been honorably discharged from the Armed
Forces, or have terminated their service or employment, too late
to register at the time when, and at the place where, registration
is required, to vote at the election next ensuing after such discharge
or termination.
(6) authorize and instruct the State or local election officials, upon receipt of the post card application provided pursuant to this Act, to mail immediately to the applicant a ballot, instructions for voting and returning the ballot, and a self-addressed envelope;

(7) provide that there be printed across the face of each envelope in which a ballot is sent two parallel horizontal red bars, each one-quarter inch wide, extending from one side of the envelope to the other side, with an intervening space of one-quarter inch, the top bar to be one and one-quarter inches from the top of the envelope, and with the words "Official Election Balloting Material—via Air Mail", or similar language, between the bars; that there be printed in the upper right corner of each such envelope, in a box, the words "Free of U. S. Postage, Including Air Mail"; that all printing on the face of each such envelope be in red; and that there be printed in red in the upper left corner of each State ballot envelope an appropriate inscription or blanks for return address of sender;

(8) provide that the gummed flap of the State envelope supplied for the return of the ballot be separated by a wax paper or other appropriate protective insert from the remaining balloting material and that there be included in the State voting instructions a procedure to be followed by absentee voters, such as notation of the facts on the back of the envelope duly signed by the voter and witnessing officer, in instances of adhesion of the balloting material;

(9) reduce in size and weight of paper, as much as possible, envelopes, ballots, and instructions for voting procedure;

(10) for the purposes of this Act, authorized oaths required by State law to be administered and attested by any commissioned officer in the active service of the Armed Forces, or any member of the merchant marine of the United States designated for this purpose by the Secretary of Commerce, or any civilian official empowered by State or Federal law to administer oaths;

(11) include in State voting instructions express information concerning the type or types of writing instruments which may be used to mark the absentee ballot, preferably pen or indelible pencil; and

(12) provide that absentee ballots will be available for mailing to the applicant as soon as practicable before the last date on which such ballot will be counted.

Sec. 103. It is recommended that each of the several States make available to the officer designated by the President under section 201 of this Act appropriate statistical data to assist him in compiling comprehensive information of operations under this Act.

TITLE II

FEDERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Sec. 201. The President is hereby authorized to designate, with provision for redelegation, the head (hereinafter referred to as the Presidential designee) of any executive department or agency to coordinate and facilitate such actions as may be required to discharge Federal responsibilities under this Act. "The Presidential designee is authorized to request from other executive departments and agencies such assistance as he deems necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act, and shall submit a report to the President and to the Congress in odd-numbered years. Such report shall cover the administration of Federal responsibilities authorized under this title, the progress of the States in carrying out the recommendations contained in title I, sta-
statistical data relating to absentee voting, and such other information as the Presidential designee may consider appropriate.

Sec. 202. The Presidential designee shall request, annually or more often when appropriate, each State to furnish him with current absentee voting information for such State. Such information shall include election dates, officers to be elected, constitutional amendments, and other proposals to be voted on, absentee registration and voting procedures, and other relevant data. As soon as possible after receipt of such information, he shall furnish it to the departments and agencies of the executive branch affected by this Act. Such departments and agencies are authorized to reprint and distribute such information to the extent necessary.

Sec. 203. All Government officials shall, to the extent practicable and compatible with their primary responsibilities, cooperate with the Presidential designee in carrying out the purposes of this Act. All such officials shall, as far as practicable, take all reasonable measures to expedite, transmit, deliver, and return post cards, ballots, envelopes, and instructions for voting procedures mailed to or by persons to whom this Act is applicable. In addition, and as requested by the Presidential designee, it shall be the duty of—

1. the Attorney General to cooperate and advise with the Council of State Governments in the formulation of drafts of State legislation designed to implement the recommendations for State action contained in this Act;
2. the Administrator of General Services to cause to be printed and distributed post cards for use in accordance with the provisions of this Act. Such post cards shall, wherever practicable and compatible with other operations, be made available by the department or agency concerned to persons to whom this Act is applicable for use at any general election at which electors for President and Vice President or Senators and Representatives are to be voted for. For use in such elections post cards shall be made available outside the territorial limits of the United States not later than August 15 prior to the election and within the territorial limits of the United States not later than September 15 prior to the election. To the extent practicable and compatible with other operations, post cards shall also be made available at appropriate times to such persons for use in other general, primary, and special elections; and
3. the Postmaster General and the heads of the departments and agencies concerned, where practicable and compatible with their operations, to facilitate the transmission of balloting material to and from persons to whom this Act is applicable. Ballots executed outside the United States by persons to whom this Act is applicable shall be returned by priority airmail wherever practicable, and such mail may be segregated from other forms of mail and placed in special bags marked with special tags printed and distributed by the Postmaster General for this purpose.

Sec. 204. The form of the Federal post card application shall be as follows:

(a) The cards shall be approximately nine and one-half by four and one-eighth inches in size.
(b) Upon one side, perpendicular to the long dimension of the card, there shall be printed in black type the following:
FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF CARD

POST CARD APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT

State or Commonwealth of __________________________ (Fill in name of State or Commonwealth)

(1) I hereby request an absentee ballot to vote in the coming election:
   (GENERAL) (PRIMARY)* (SPECIAL) ELECTION
   (Strike out inapplicable words)

   (2) * If a ballot is requested for a primary election, print your political
      party affiliation or preference in this box:
      (If primary election is secret in your State, do not answer)

   (3) I am a citizen of the United States, eligible to vote in above State, and am:
      a. A member of the Armed Forces of the United States
      b. A member of the merchant marine of the United States
      c. A member of a religious or welfare organization assisting
         servicemen
      d. A civilian employed by the United States Government outside
         the United States (continental)
      e. A spouse or dependent of a person listed in (a), (b), or (c)
         above
      f. A spouse or dependent residing with a person described in
         (d) above

   (4) I was born on __________________________ (Month) __________ (Year)

   (5) For ______ years preceding the above election my home (not military) residence in the
      above State has been __________________________ (Street and number or rural route, etc.)
      The voting precinct or election district for this residence is __________________________
      (Enter if known)

   (6) Remarks: __________________________________________

   (7) Mail my ballot to the following official address:
       __________________________________________ (Unit (Co., Sq., Trp., Bn., Etc.), Governmental Agency, or Office)
       __________________________________________ (Military Base, Station, Camp, Fort, Ship, Airfield, etc.)
       __________________________________________ (Street No., APO, or FPO No.)
       __________________________________________ (City, Postal Zone, and State)

   (8) I am NOT requesting a ballot from any other State and am not voting in any other
       manner in this election, except by absentee process, and have not voted and do not
       intend to vote in this election at any other address.

   (9) __________________________________________ (Signature of person requesting ballot)

   (10) __________________________________________ (Full name, typed or printed, with rank or grade, and service number)

   (11) Subscribed and sworn to before me on __________________________ (Day, month, and year)
       __________________________________________ (Signature of official administering oath)
       __________________________________________ (Typed or printed name of official
       administering oath)
       ______________________________________________________________________
       (Title or rank, service number, and organization of administering official)

INSTRUCTIONS

A. Before filling out this form see your voting officer in regard to the voting laws of your
   State and absentee registration and voting procedure.
B. Type or print all entries except signatures. FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF CARD.
C. Address card to proper State official. Your voting officer or commanding officer will
   furnish you his title and address.
D. Mail card as soon as your State will accept your application.
E. NO postage is required for the card.
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(c) Upon the other side of the card there shall be printed in red type the following:

**FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF THE CARD**

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**OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOTING MATERIAL—VIA AIR MAIL**

Sec. 205. The previously authorized Federal post card form shall be utilized prior to and in connection with the election for Members of Congress next ensuing after the date of enactment of this Act, and the Presidential designee shall initiate action to make such forms available to departments and agencies having a need therefor. Thereafter only the post card form authorized in this Act shall be utilized.

**TITLE III**

**DEFINITIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

Sec. 301. As used in this Act—

1. The term “ Armed Forces ” means the uniformed services as defined in section 102 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 804), as amended.

2. The term “members of the merchant marine of the United States” means persons (other than members of the Armed Forces) employed as officers or members of crews of vessels documented under the laws of the United States, or of vessels owned by the United States, or of vessels of foreign-flag registry under charter to or control of the United States, and persons (other than members of the Armed Forces) enrolled with the United States for employment, or for training for employment, or maintained by the United States for emergency relief service, as officers or members of crews of any such vessels; but does not include persons so employed, or enrolled for such employment or for training for such employment, or maintained for such emergency relief service, on the Great Lakes or the Inland waterways.

3. The term “ dependent ” means any person who is in fact a dependent.

Sec. 302. Official post cards, ballots, voting instructions, and envelopes referred to in this Act, whether transmitted individually or in bulk, shall be free of postage, including air-mail postage, in the United States mails.

Sec. 303. Every individual concerned with the administration of this Act shall take all necessary steps to prevent fraud, to protect voters against coercion of any sort, and to safeguard the integrity and secrecy of ballots cast.
Sec. 304. No act done in good faith under this Act by a person serving in or with the Federal or military service of the United States in the exercise of his judgment as to what was practicable and compatible with military, merchant marine, or other Federal governmental operations, shall constitute a violation of any provision of law relating to the elective franchise.

Sec. 305. It shall be unlawful for any commissioned, noncommissioned, warrant, or petty officer in the Armed Forces (1) to attempt to influence any member of the Armed Forces to vote or not to vote for any particular candidate, or (2) to require any member of the Armed Forces to march to any polling place or place of voting, but nothing in this Act shall be deemed to prohibit free discussion regarding political issues or candidates for public office.

Sec. 306. If any provision of this Act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Act and the applicability of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Sec. 307. The Act entitled "An Act to provide for a method of voting, in time of war, by members of the land and naval forces absent from the place of their residence", approved September 16, 1942 (56 Stat. 753), as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 308. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such funds as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 297

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Doctor Jonas E. Salk in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in recognition of the great achievement of Doctor Jonas E. Salk in the field of medicine by his discovery of a serum for the prevention of poliomyelitis, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to cause to be struck and presented to Doctor Jonas E. Salk a gold medal with suitable emblems, devices, and inscriptions to be determined by the Secretary. For such purpose there is authorized to be appropriated the sum of $2,500.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Treasury shall cause duplicates in bronze of such medal to be coined and sold, under such regulations as he may prescribe, at a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof (including labor), and the appropriations used for carrying out the provisions of this section shall be reimbursed out of the proceeds of such sale.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 298

AN ACT

To extend the authority of the Corregidor Bataan Memorial Commission, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act...
entitled "An Act to create a Commission to be known as the Corregidor Bataan Memorial Commission", approved August 5, 1953 (67 Stat. 366; 36 U. S. C. 426), is amended as follows:

(1) By inserting immediately after the word "salary" at the end of the first sentence of the first paragraph a comma and the following: "except that the members of such Commission shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties vested in the Commission. Service of an individual as a member of the Commission shall not be considered as service or employment bringing such individual within the provisions of section 190 of the Revised Statutes (5 U. S. C. 99) or section 283 or 284 of the United States Code".

(2) By inserting, in the second sentence of the first paragraph, immediately after the words "erection on Corregidor Island of" the following: "a building and other structures, including".

(3) By striking out, in the second paragraph, the words "a replica of the Statue of Liberty on Corregidor Island" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "a suitable memorial on Corregidor Island, which may include buildings, tunnels, roads, and a replica of the Statue of Liberty".

(4) By inserting immediately after the second paragraph the following new paragraph:
   "(a) To accept, in its discretion, from any source, public or private, money or other gifts to be used for the purpose of making surveys and investigations, formulating, preparing and considering plans and estimates for the construction of as well as for the actual construction of such memorial or other expenses of such memorial.
   "(b) To secure directly from any executive department or independent establishment information, suggestions, estimates, and assistance, and each such department or independent agency is authorized to furnish such help as may be requested by the Commission.
   "(c) To decide, after consultation with a similar commission in the Philippines, as to the type of memorial, including all structures, repairs, roads, and improvements on Corregidor Island; and to decide as to the manner in which any money shall be raised in gifts, public subscriptions, or otherwise, and to decide how any and all funds received by the Commission shall be expended for the development and completion of a memorial on Corregidor Island.
   "(d) To establish offices in the District of Columbia or elsewhere in or outside of the United States, and procure the necessary supplies and equipment for the operation of any such office.
   "(e) To contract for work, supplies, materials, and equipment inside and outside of the United States and engage, by contract or otherwise, the services of architects and other technical and professional personnel.
   "(f) To adopt a seal which shall be judicially noticed."

(5) By striking out, in the last paragraph, the words "a replica of the Statue of Liberty" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "a memorial".

(6) By inserting at the end of the last paragraph the following:
   "Thereafter the Commission shall annually submit to the President a report of the progress of the work of the Commission and a statement of its financial transactions during the preceding year, and the President shall transmit such report to the Congress of the United States. Before the conclusion of its work, the Commission shall promptly submit a final report, and the Commission shall cease to exist ninety days after such submission of such final report. The records and archives of the Commission shall, when no longer required by the Commission, be deposited with the National Archives.".
(7) By inserting at the end of such Act the following new paragraph:
“There are authorized to be appropriated such sums of money not to exceed $100,000 as may be necessary for the expenses of the Commission.”.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 299

CHAPTER 659

AN ACT

To extend the retirement income tax credit to members of the Armed Forces.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 37 (f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is hereby amended by striking out the following: “; except that such term does not include a fund or system established by the United States for members of the Armed Forces of the United States”.

Sec. 2. The amendment made by this Act shall be applicable to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1954.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 300

CHAPTER 660

AN ACT

To provide for adjustments in the lands or interests therein acquired for the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Florida and Georgia, by the reconveyance of certain lands or interests therein to the former owners thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) in order to provide for adjustments in the lands or interests in land heretofore acquired for the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Florida and Georgia, to conform such acquisition to a lesser estate in lands now being acquired to complete the real estate requirements of the project, the Secretary of the Army is authorized to reconvey any such land or interest in land heretofore acquired to the former owners of such land whenever (1) he shall determine that such land or interest is not required for public purposes, and (2) he shall have received an application for reconveyance as hereinafter provided.

(b) Any such reconveyance of any such land or interest shall be made only after the Secretary (1) has given notice, in such manner (including publication) as he shall by regulation prescribe, to the former owner of such land or interest, and (2) has received an application for the reconveyance of such land or interest from such former owner, in such form as he shall by regulation prescribe, within a period of ninety days following the date of issuance of such notice.

(c) Any reconveyance of land or interest therein made under this Act shall be subject to such exceptions, restrictions, and reservations (including a reservation to the United States of flowage rights) as the Secretary may determine are in the public interest.

(d) Any land or interest therein reconveyed under this Act shall be sold for an amount determined by the Secretary to be equal to the price for which the land was acquired by the United States, adjusted to reflect (1) any increase in the value thereof resulting from improvements to the land made by the United States, or (2) any decrease in the value thereof resulting from (A) any reservation, exception,
AN ACT

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of General Services is authorized and directed, upon certification to him by the Secretary of Defense and the Governor of Missouri that the property described in section 2 of this Act is needed for the training or support of the National Guard of Missouri, to convey the property to the State of Missouri, by quitclaim deed, without monetary consideration therefor, upon such terms and conditions as the Administrator determines to be necessary to properly protect the interest of the United States: Provided, however, That such deed of conveyance by express terms shall—

a. reserve to the United States all mineral rights including gas and oil;

b. reserve to the United States right of exclusive use without charge therefor of such property together with any improvements thereon during any period of national emergency,

c. specify that said property shall be used for the training of the National Guard or for other military purposes, and in the event of non-use for such purpose within a reasonable time as determined by the Secretary of Defense or of discontinuance of use for such purpose, shall, in its then existing condition together
with any improvements thereon, at the option of the United States as determined and exercised by the Secretary of Defense, revert to the United States.

Sec. 2. The real property to be conveyed to the State of Missouri is described as follows:

A parcel of land in the city of Springfield, Green County, Missouri, being a portion of the former O'Reilly General Hospital, and beginning at a point 31 poles and 20 links south of the northwest corner of northeast quarter of section 18, township 29, range 21, for a point of true beginning; running thence south 661.3 feet to a woven wire fence; running thence east along said fence 66 poles and 18 links; running thence north 661.3 feet to a point 31 poles and 20 links south of the north line of the northeast quarter of section 18, township 29, range 21; running thence west 66 poles and 18 links to the point of true beginning, being 16.5 acres, more or less.

Sec. 3. The cost of any surveys necessary as an incident of the conveyance authorized herein shall be borne by the State of Missouri.

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Public Law 302

AN ACT

To amend the National Defense Facilities Act of 1950 to provide for additional facilities necessary for the administration and training of units of the Reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the National Defense Facilities Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 829; 50 U. S. C. 881-886) is amended as follows:

(a) Section 3 is amended by deleting the phrase "in an amount not to exceed $250,000,000 over a period of the next five fiscal years" and by inserting in lieu thereof "in an amount not to exceed $500,000,000 over a period of the next eight fiscal years commencing with fiscal year 1951".

(b) Subsection 3 (b) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) (1) contribute to any State such funds as he shall determine to be necessary to expand, rehabilitate or convert facilities owned by such State to the extent required for the joint utilization of such facilities; and

"(2) contribute to any State such funds as he shall determine to be necessary to expand, rehabilitate or convert facilities owned by such State to the extent made necessary, or to acquire, construct, expand, rehabilitate or convert such additional facilities as he shall determine to have been made essential, by any conversion, redesignation or reorganization of a unit or units of the National Guard of the United States or the Air National Guard of the United States requested or authorized by the Secretary of the Army or the Secretary of the Air Force, respectively.

(c) Subsection 4 (b) is amended by deleting the words "with regard" and substituting therefor the words "and shall have consented".

(d) Subsection 4 (c) is amended by inserting after the word "acquired" in line 7 thereof the words "by the United States".

(e) Subsection 4 (d) is amended to read as follows:

"(d) Each contribution made pursuant to section 3 (b) or 3 (c) of this Act shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary of Defense, after consultation with the Armed Services Committees..."
of the Congress, shall deem necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Act: Provided, That except as agreed at the time the contribution is made the facilities provided through contributions made pursuant to section 3 (b) (2) or 3 (c) of this Act shall be subject to joint utilization only to the extent deemed practicable by the State concerned. No contribution shall be made under section 3 (c) for any armory in an amount exceeding 75 per centum of the cost of the additional or improved armories to be constructed: And provided further, That for the purpose of such computation the amount to be contributed by any State shall be exclusive of the cost or market value of any real estate which may be contributed by the State concerned for the purposes of section 3 (c) of this Act.

(5) Section 6 is amended by (1) inserting immediately after “Sec. 6,” the following: “(a)”, and (2) adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(b) All construction, expansion, rehabilitation, or conversion of facilities in each State pursuant to section 3 (b) or 3 (c) of this Act shall be done in accordance with the laws of such State and under the supervision of officials of such State, subject to the inspection and approval of the Secretary of Defense.”

(g) Subsections 7 (b), (e), and (d) are redesignated subsections 7 (c), (d), and (e), respectively, and subsection 7 (b) is inserted to read as follows:

“(b) ‘Armory’ means a structure which houses a unit or units of a reserve component and is used for the training and administration thereof, including such appurtenant structures as may house equipment used in the training and administration of such unit or units. All other facilities shall be considered nonarmory for the purposes of this Act.”

(h) Subsection 7 (d) as redesignated is amended to read as follows:

“(d) ‘Reserve component’ shall include:

“(1) The National Guard of the United States;

“(2) The Army Reserve;

“(3) The Naval Reserve;

“(4) The Marine Corps Reserve;

“(5) The Air National Guard of the United States;

“(6) The Air Force Reserve; and

“(7) The Coast Guard Reserve; and”.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 303

CHAPTER 663

AN ACT

To extend the period during which claims for floor stocks refunds may be filed with respect to certain manufacturers’ excise taxes which were reduced by the Excise Tax Reduction Act of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3416 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 (relating to period for filing claims for certain floor stocks refunds) is hereby amended by striking out “before August 1, 1954” and inserting in lieu thereof “on or before the sixtieth day after the date of the enactment of H. R. 3712, Eighty-fourth Congress”.

Approved August 9, 1955.
Joint Resolution

To establish a Commission on Government Security.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

DECLARATION OF POLICY

Section 1. It is vital to the welfare and safety of the United States that there be adequate protection of the national security, including the safeguarding of all national defense secrets and public and private defense installations, against loss or compromise arising from espionage, sabotage, disloyalty, subversive activities, or unauthorized disclosures.

It is, therefore, the policy of the Congress that there shall exist a sound Government program—

(a) establishing procedures for security investigation, evaluation, and, where necessary, adjudication of Government employees, and also appropriate security requirements with respect to persons privately employed or occupied on work requiring access to national defense secrets or work affording significant opportunity for injury to the national security;

(b) for vigorous enforcement of effective and realistic security laws and regulations; and

(c) for a careful, consistent, and efficient administration of this policy in a manner which will protect the national security and preserve basic American rights.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Sec. 2. (a) For the purpose of carrying out the policy set forth in the first section of this joint resolution, there is hereby established a commission to be known as the Commission on Government Security (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”).

(b) The Commission shall be composed of twelve members as follows:

1. Four appointed by the President of the United States, two from the executive branch of the Government and two from private life;

2. Four appointed by the President of the Senate, two from the Senate and two from private life; and

3. Four appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, two from the House of Representatives and two from private life.

(c) Of the members appointed to the Commission not more than two shall be appointed by the President of the United States, or the President of the Senate, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives from the same political party.

(d) Any vacancy in the Commission shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointment was made.

(e) Service of an individual as a member of the Commission or employment of an individual by the Commission as an attorney or expert in any business or professional field, on a part-time or full-time basis, with or without compensation, shall not be considered as service or employment bringing such individual within the provisions of section 281, 283, 284, 494, or 1914 of title 18 of the United States Code, or section 190 of the Revised Statutes (5 U.S.C. 99).
(f) The Commission shall elect a Chairman and a Vice Chairman from among its members.

(g) Seven members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum. Each subcommittee of the Commission shall consist of at least three members of the Commission.

COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION

Sec. 3. (a) Members of the Congress who are members of the Commission shall serve without compensation in addition to that received for their services as Members of Congress; but they shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties vested in the Commission.

(b) The members of the Commission who are in the executive branch of the Government shall serve without compensation in addition to that received for their services in the executive branch, but they shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties vested in the Commission.

(c) The members of the Commission from private life shall each receive $50 per diem when engaged in the actual performance of duties vested in the Commission, plus reimbursement for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of such duties.

STAFF OF THE COMMISSION

Sec. 4. (a) (1) The Commission shall have power to appoint and fix the compensation of such personnel as it deems advisable, without regard to the provisions of the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.

(2) The Commission may procure, without regard to the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, temporary and intermittent services to the same extent as is authorized for the departments by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 810), but at rates not to exceed $50 per diem for individuals.

(b) All employees of the Commission shall be investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to character, associations, and loyalty and a report of each such investigation shall be furnished to the Commission.

EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION

Sec. 5. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

Sec. 6. The Commission shall study and investigate the entire Government security program, including the various statutes, Presidential orders, and administrative regulations and directives under which the Government seeks to protect the national security, national defense secrets, and public and private defense installations, against loss or injury arising from espionage, disloyalty, subversive activity, sabotage, or unauthorized disclosures, together with the actual manner in which such statutes, Presidential orders, administrative regulations, and directives have been and are being administered and implemented, with a view to determining whether existing requirements, practices,
and procedures are in accordance with the policies set forth in the first section of this joint resolution, and to recommending such changes as it may determine are necessary or desirable. The Commission shall also consider and submit reports and recommendations on the adequacy or deficiencies of existing statutes, Presidential orders, administrative regulations, and directives, and the administration of such statutes, orders, regulations, and directives, from the standpoints of internal consistency of the overall security program and effective protection and maintenance of the national security.

POWERS OF THE COMMISSION

SEC. 7. (a) The Commission or, on the authorization of the Commission, any subcommittee thereof, may, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution, hold such hearings and sit and act at such times and places, administer such oaths, and require, by subpoena or otherwise, the attendance and testimony of such witnesses and the production of such books, records, correspondence, memoranda, papers, and documents as the Commission or such subcommittee may deem advisable. Subpoenas may be issued under the signature of the Chairman of the Commission, or the Chairman of any subcommittee with the approval of a majority of the members of such subcommittee and may be served by any person designated by such Chairman. The provisions of sections 102 to 104, inclusive, of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 2, secs. 192–194), shall apply in the case of any failure of any witness to comply with any subpoena or to testify when summoned under authority of this section.

(b) The Commission is authorized to secure directly from any executive department, bureau, agency, board, commission, office, independent establishment, or instrumentality information, suggestions, estimates, and statistics for the purposes of this joint resolution, and each such department, bureau, agency, board, commission, office, establishment, or instrumentality is authorized and directed to furnish such information, suggestions, estimates, and statistics directly to the Commission, upon request made by the Chairman or Vice Chairman.

INTERFERENCE WITH CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS AND INVESTIGATIVE AND INTELLIGENCE FUNCTIONS

SEC. 8. Nothing contained in this joint resolution shall be construed to require any agency of the United States to release any information possessed by it when, in the opinion of the President, the disclosure of such information would jeopardize or interfere with a pending or prospective criminal prosecution, or with the carrying out of the intelligence or investigative responsibilities of such agency, or would jeopardize or interfere with the interests of national security.

REPORTS

SEC. 9. The Commission may submit interim reports to the Congress and the President at such time or times as it deems advisable, and shall submit its final report to the Congress and the President not later than December 31, 1956. The final report of the Commission may propose such legislative enactments and administrative actions as in its judgment are necessary to carry out its recommendations. The Commission shall cease to exist ninety days after submission of its final report.

Approved August 9, 1955.
AN ACT

To provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Reserve Forces Act of 1955".

AMENDMENTS TO THE ARMED FORCES RESERVE ACT OF 1952

Sec. 2. (a) Section 205 (b) of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952 (50 U. S. C. 925 (b)) is amended by striking out the words "one million five hundred thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two million nine hundred thousand. Until July 1, 1957, this total shall not include any person who has a reserve obligation on the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955 whenever such person is not participating satisfactorily in an accredited training program in the Ready Reserve, as prescribed by the appropriate Secretary".

(b) Section 208 of such Act is amended by (1) redesignating sub-sections (f), (g), (h), and (i) thereof as subsections (g), (h), (i), and (j), respectively, and (2) inserting, immediately after subsection (e) thereof, the following new subsection:

"(f) Except as specifically provided by regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense (or the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the United States Coast Guard), (1) each person inducted, enlisted, or appointed in any armed force of the United States or any component thereof under any provision of law after the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955 who becomes a member of the Ready Reserve by reason of any provision of law other than section 208 (c) of this Act, and (2) each person who after the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955 becomes a member of the Ready Reserve under section 263 of this Act, shall be required, while a member of the Ready Reserve, to (A) participate in not less than forty-eight scheduled drills or training periods, and to perform not more than seventeen days of active duty for training, during each year, or (B) perform annually not more than thirty days of active duty for training. Any such member of the Ready Reserve (except any member enlisted therein under section 6 (c) (2) (C) of the Universal Military Training and Service Act) who in any year fails to perform such training duty satisfactorily, as determined by the appropriate Secretary pursuant to regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, may be ordered, without his consent, to perform additional active duty for training for not more than forty-five days. If such failure occurs during the final year of any period of obligatory membership in the Ready Reserve, such membership shall be extended for such time, not exceeding six months, as may be required for the performance by such member of such additional active duty for training."

(c) Section 208 (g) of such Act, as amended by the preceding subsection of this Act, is amended by—

(1) redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) thereof as paragraphs (3), (4), and (5), respectively; and

(2) inserting, immediately after paragraph (1) thereof, the following new paragraph:

"(2) if he (A) has served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States for not less than twelve months, and has served satisfactorily as a member of a unit of the Ready Reserve pursuant to a transfer made under section 263 (a) of this Act for
a period which, when added to the period of his active duty, totals four years, or (B) has satisfactorily completed an enlistment under section 263 (b) of this Act;"

(d) Section 208 of such Act (50 U. S. C. 928) is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsections:

"(k) Under regulations prescribed by the President, each Armed Force of the United States shall provide a system of continuous screening of units and members of the Ready Reserve to insure that—

“(1) no significant attrition will occur to those members or units during a mobilization;

“(2) there will be a proper balance of military skills;

“(3) members of the Reserve Forces possessing critical civilian skills will not be retained in numbers beyond the requirements for those skills except for persons who have military skills for which there is an overriding requirement;

“(4) with due respect to national security and military requirements, recognition is given to participation in combat; and

“(5) members of the Reserve Forces whose mobilization in an emergency would result in extreme personal or community hardship are not retained in the Ready Reserve.

“(1) Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense (or the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the United States Coast Guard), any member of the Standby Reserve who has not completed his obligated period of military service in the Ready Reserve may be transferred to the Ready Reserve whenever the reason for his transfer to the Standby Reserve no longer exists.”

(e) Section 233 (a) of such Act (50 U. S. C. 961 (a)) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: “No member of the Standby Reserve may be ordered to active duty under this subsection until the Director of Selective Service has determined that such member is available for active duty.”

(f) The proviso contained in section 233 (b) (1) of such Act (50 U. S. C. 961 (b) (1)) is amended to read as follows: “Provided, That not more than one million members of the Ready Reserve of all reserve components may be required to perform active duty involuntarily at any time unless the Congress shall have authorized the exercise of the authority contained in this subsection with respect to a larger number.”

(g) Section 233 of such Act (50 U. S. C. 961) is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(h) Under such regulations as the Secretary of Defense shall prescribe any person who, while a member of a reserve component, becomes a regular or duly ordained minister of religion shall be entitled upon his request to a discharge from the reserve component of which he is a member. No member of any reserve component shall be required to serve on active duty, or to participate in active training and service, active duty for training, or inactive duty training, while preparing for the ministry in a recognized theological or divinity school.”

(h) Chapter 7 of part II of such Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 259 thereof, the following new section:

“Sec. 260. (a) Under such regulations as the Secretary of Defense shall prescribe, each military department of the Department of Defense shall cause to be prepared and maintained an accurate record of the number of members of each class of each reserve component who during each fiscal year have satisfactorily participated in (1) active duty for training, and (2) inactive duty training with pay.

“(b) In January of each year the Secretary of Defense shall transmit to the President and to the Congress a report which shall contain
an account of the status of training of each reserve component of the
Armed Forces, and the progress made in the strengthening of the re-
serve components, during the preceding fiscal year."

(i) Part II of such Act, as amended by preceding subsections of this
section, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new
chapter:

"CHAPTER 8—SPECIAL ENLISTMENT PROGRAMS"

"Sec. 261. (a) Under such regulations as the appropriate Secretary
shall prescribe, any person who is qualified for enlistment for active
duty in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard,
and who has not been ordered to report for induction into the Armed
Forces under the Universal Military Training and Service Act, may
be enlisted in the Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve,
Air Force Reserve, or Coast Guard Reserve, respectively, pursuant
to the provisions of this section.

(b) Each enlistment under this section shall be for a period of six
years. Each person so enlisted shall be required during such enlist-
tment to perform—

"(1) active duty for a period of two years;

"(2) satisfactory service as a member of the Ready Reserve for
a period which, when added to service rendered under paragraph
(1) of this subsection, will total five years; and

"(3) the remainder of such period of enlistment as a member
of the Standby Reserve.

"Sec. 262. (a) Until August 1, 1950, whenever the President deter-
dines that the enlisted strength of the Ready Reserve of the Army
Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve, or
Coast Guard Reserve cannot be maintained at the level which he deter-
dines to be necessary in the interest of national defense, he may author-
ize the acceptance of enlistments in units of such Ready Reserve pur-
suant to the provisions of this section under regulations prescribed
by the Secretary of Defense. Enlistments under this section may be
accepted only within quotas (which quotas shall not exceed a total of
250,000 persons annually) prescribed by the appropriate Secretary
with the approval of the Secretary of Defense. No enlistment shall be
accepted under this section in the Ready Reserve of any reserve com-
ponent if such enlistment would cause the strength of such Ready
Reserve to exceed the authorized strength of such Ready Reserve.

(b) Enlistments under this section may be accepted from persons
who—

"(1) are physically and mentally qualified for service in the
Armed Forces;

"(2) have not been ordered to report for induction into the
Armed Forces under the Universal Military Training and Service
Act; and

"(3) have not attained the age of eighteen years and six months.
In addition, the President, under such rules and regulations as he
may prescribe, may authorize the enlistment under this section, with-
out regard to the provisions of paragraphs (2) and (3), of persons
who fulfill the requirements of paragraph (1) and who have critical
skills and are engaged in civilian occupations in any critical defense-
supporting industry or in any research activity affecting national
defense.

(c) Each enlistment under this section shall be for a period of
eight years. Each person so enlisted shall be required during such
enlistment (1) to perform an initial period of active duty for training
of not less than three months or more than six months, and (2) there-
after to perform satisfactorily all training duty prescribed by section
208 (f) of this Act, except that (A) performance of such initial period of active duty for training by any person enlisted under this section while satisfactorily pursuing a course of instruction in a high school shall be deferred until such person ceases to pursue such course satisfactorily, graduates from such course, or attains the age of twenty years, whichever first occurs, and (B) persons specially enlisted because of their possession of critical skills may be relieved of any obligation to perform the training duty prescribed by section 208 (f). Each such person shall be deferred from training and service under the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended, so long as he continues to serve satisfactorily, as determined under regulations prescribed by the appropriate Secretary, and upon the completion of eight years of such satisfactory service pursuant to such enlistment shall be exempt from further liability for induction for training and service under such Act, except after a declaration of war or national emergency made by the Congress after the date of enactment of this subsection.

“(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person performing the period of active duty for training required by clause (1) of subsection (c) of this section shall—

“(1) during such period, and during any period of hospitalization incident to the performance of such duty, receive pay at the rate of $50 per month;
“(2) be deemed to be serving in pay grade E-1 (under four months) for the purpose of determining his eligibility to receive allowances for subsistence or for travel and transportation, or to receive any benefit under title IV of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended; and
“(3) be deemed to be a member of a reserve component called or ordered into active service for extended service in excess of thirty days for the purpose of determining eligibility for any benefit made available to members of reserve components by the Act entitled ‘An Act to provide for members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active duty training for periods of less than thirty days or while engaged in active duty training’, approved June 20, 1949 (63 Stat. 201), except that (A) no such person shall be entitled to any benefit under section 621 of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended, and (B) the indemnity accorded to such person under the Service-men’s Indemnity Act of 1951, as amended, shall terminate thirty days after the release of such person from such period of active duty for training.

Except as specifically provided by this subsection, no person shall become entitled, by reason of his performance of a period of active duty for training required by clause (1) of subsection (c) of this section, to any right, benefit, or privilege provided by law for persons who have performed active duty in the Armed Forces.

“(e) The National Security Training Commission shall advise the President and the Secretary of Defense, and shall report annually to the Congress, with respect to the welfare of persons performing periods of active duty for training under clause (1) of subsection (c) of this section, but shall have no authority with respect to the military training of such persons during such periods. Within sixty days after the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955, the National Security Training Commission shall submit to the Secretary of Defense a program containing recommendations for the personal safety, health, welfare, and morals of the members of the Ready

Pay, allowances, and benefits.
Reserve while performing such active duty for training, including regulations concerning the dispensing of alcoholic beverages on training establishments, in conformity with the laws of the several States.

(f) Any person who completes satisfactorily the period of active duty for training required of him by clause (1) of subsection (c) of this section during any enlistment pursuant to this section shall be entitled, upon application for reemployment within sixty days after (A) his release from such required period of active duty for training after satisfactory completion thereof, or (B) his discharge from hospitalization incident to such duty continuing after such release for a period of not more than six months, to all reemployment rights and benefits provided by section 9 of the Universal Military Training and Service Act for individuals inducted under the provisions of such Act, except that (1) any person so restored to a position in accordance with the provisions of this section shall not be discharged from such position without cause within six months after such restoration, and (2) no reemployment rights granted by this subsection shall entitle any person to retention, preference, or displacement rights over a veteran with a superior claim under the Veterans Preference Act of 1944, as amended.

"SEC. 263. (a) Until July 1, 1957, the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force with the approval of the Secretary of Defense (and the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the United States Coast Guard) may provide by regulations, which shall be as nearly uniform as practicable, for the release from active duty in the Armed Forces prior to serving the periods for which inducted or enlisted, but in no case before serving a minimum of twelve months, of individuals who were on active duty in the Armed Forces on the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955 and who volunteer for transfer to units of the Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve, or Coast Guard Reserve. Each such individual shall be required to participate in the Ready Reserve under the provisions of section 208 (f) of this Act for a period which, when added to the period of his active duty, totals four years. The total number of individuals released from active duty under this subsection shall not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand annually.

"(b) Until July 1, 1957, the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, with the approval of the Secretary of Defense (and the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the United States Coast Guard) may accept enlistments in units of the Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve, and Coast Guard Reserve for a period of one year from individuals released from active duty after the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955. Persons so enlisting shall be required during such enlistments to participate in the Ready Reserve under the provisions of section 208 (f) of this Act."

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING AND SERVICE ACT AMENDMENTS

Sec. 3. (a) Section 4 (d) (3) of the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended, is amended by striking out the first sentence thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Each person who, subsequent to the date of enactment of this paragraph and on or before the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955, is inducted, enlisted, or appointed, under any provision of law, in the Armed Forces, including the reserve components thereof, or in the National Security Training Corps prior to attaining the twenty-sixth anniversary of his birth, shall be required to serve on active training and service in the Armed Forces or in training in the National Security
Training Corps, and in a reserve component, for a total period of eight years, unless sooner discharged on the grounds of personal hardship, in accordance with regulations and standards prescribed by the Secretary of Defense (or the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the United States Coast Guard). Each person who, subsequent to the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955, is inducted, enlisted, or appointed, under any provision of law, in the Armed Forces, including the reserve components thereof, except a person enlisting pursuant to the provisions of section 262 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952, or a person deferred under the next to the last sentence of section 6 (d) (1) of this Act, as amended, prior to attaining the twenty-sixth anniversary of his birth, shall be required to serve on active training and service in the Armed Forces and in a reserve component, for a total period of six years, unless sooner discharged on the grounds of personal hardship, in accordance with regulations and standards prescribed by the Secretary of Defense (or the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the United States Coast Guard).”

(b) Section 6 (c) (2) of such Act, as amended (50 U. S. C. App. 456 (c) (2)), is amended by—

(1) adding at the end of clause (A) thereof the following new sentence: “No such person who has completed eight years of satisfactory service as a member of an organized unit of the National Guard, and who during such service has performed active duty for training with an armed force for not less than three consecutive months, shall be liable for induction for training and service under this Act, except after a declaration of war or national emergency made by the Congress after the date of enactment of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955.”;

(2) striking out in clause (B) thereof the words “or clause (A)” and inserting in lieu thereof a comma and the words “or clause (A), clause (C), or clause (D)”;

(3) adding at the end thereof the following new clauses:

“(C) Whenever the President determines that the enlisted strength of the Ready Reserve of the Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve, or Coast Guard Reserve cannot be maintained at the level which he determines to be necessary in the interest of national defense, he may authorize the acceptance of enlistments in organized units of such Ready Reserve under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense. Enlistments authorized by this clause may be accepted only (i) within quotas prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, and (ii) from persons who have not been ordered to report for induction under this Act and who have not attained the age of eighteen years and six months. Any person so enlisted shall be deferred from training and service under this Act so long as he continues to serve satisfactorily as a member of an organized unit of such Ready Reserve. No person deferred under the provisions of this clause shall by reason of such deferment be liable for training and service in the Armed Forces by reason of subsection (h) of this section after he has attained the twenty-eighth anniversary of the date of his birth.

“(D) Within the quotas prescribed pursuant to section 262 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952, as amended, each person deferred pursuant to the provisions of clause (C) hereof may volunteer to perform a period of active duty for training pursuant to clause (1) of subsection (c) thereof subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of such section. No such person who has completed eight years of satisfactory service as a member of an organized unit of the Ready Reserve, and who during such service
has performed such period of active duty for training, shall be liable for induction for training and service under this Act, except after a declaration of war or national emergency made by the Congress after the date of enactment of this clause.

"(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the President, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, may provide that any person enlisted or appointed in the Ready Reserve of any reserve component of the Armed Forces pursuant to authority conferred by this subsection or under section 262 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952, as amended, who fails to serve satisfactorily as a member of such Ready Reserve may be selected for training and service and inducted into the armed force of which such reserve component is a part, prior to the selection and induction of other persons liable therefor."

(c) Section 6 (d) (1) of such Act (50 U. S. C., App. 456 (d) (1)) is amended by—

(1) striking out in clause (C) of the first sentence thereof the words "subsection (d) of section 4 of this title", and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the first sentence of section 4 (d) (3) of this Act, or until the sixth anniversary of the receipt of a commission in accordance with his obligation under the second sentence of section 4 (d) (3) of this Act";

and

(2) inserting at the end thereof the following: "Upon the successful completion by any person of the required course of instruction under any program listed in clause (A) of the first sentence of this paragraph, such person shall be tendered a commission in the appropriate reserve component of the Armed Forces if he is otherwise qualified for such appointment. If, at the time of such appointment, the armed force in which such person is commissioned does not require his service on active duty in fulfillment of the obligation undertaken by him in compliance with clause (B) of the first sentence of this paragraph, such person shall be ordered to active duty for training with such armed force in the grade in which he was commissioned for a period of six months. Upon completion of such period of active duty for training, such person shall be returned to inactive duty and shall be assigned to an appropriate reserve unit of the Armed Forces pursuant to the provisions of this section. So long as such person performs satisfactory service in such unit, as determined under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, he shall be deferred from training and service under the provisions of this Act. If such person fails to perform satisfactory service in such unit, and such failure is not excused under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, his commission may be revoked by the Secretary of the military department concerned."

(d) Section 6 (d) (2) of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Any person heretofore or hereafter enlisted in the Army Reserve, the Naval Reserve, the Marine Corps Reserve, the Air Force Reserve, or the Coast Guard Reserve who thereafter has been or may be commissioned therein upon graduation from an Officers' Candidate School of such Armed Force shall, if not ordered to active duty as a commissioned officer, be deferred from training and service under the provisions of this Act so long as he performs satisfactory service as a commissioned officer in an appropriate unit of the Ready Reserve, as determined under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the department concerned. If such person fails
to perform satisfactory service in such unit, and such failure is not excused under such regulations, his commission may be revoked by such Secretary."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 306

AN ACT

To amend the Internal Revenue Code.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the terms used in this Act shall have the same meaning as when used in the Internal Revenue Code.

SEC. 2. COLLECTION OF INCOME TAX AT SOURCE ON WAGES.

Section 3402 of the Internal Revenue Code is hereby amended as follows:

(a) By inserting "(except as provided in subsection (j))" immediately after the words "shall deduct and withhold upon such wages" in subsection (a) thereof; and

(b) By adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(j) NONCASH REMUNERATION TO RETAIL COMMISSION SALESMAN.—In the case of remuneration paid in any medium other than cash for services performed by an individual as a retail salesman for a person, where the service performed by such individual for such person is ordinarily performed for remuneration solely by way of cash commission an employer shall not be required to deduct or withhold any tax under this subchapter with respect to such remuneration, provided that such employer files with the Secretary or his delegate such information with respect to such remuneration as the Secretary or his delegate may by regulation prescribe."

SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The amendment made by section 2 shall be applicable only with respect to remuneration paid after the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 307

AN ACT

To convey by quitclaim deed certain land to the State of Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is hereby authorized to convey by quitclaim deed to the State of Texas, for public park and recreational purposes only, such areas within the portion of Whitney Dam and Reservoir project, Texas, designated by the Corps of Engineers as Towash Park and designated by the State of Texas Parks Board as Lake Whitney State Park, as he shall deem essential to provide building sites for permanent buildings and other improvements for public park and recreational purposes, but not to exceed one hundred acres, at fair market value as determined by him, which in no event shall be less than the cost to the Government of acquiring such areas, and under such terms and conditions as he shall deem advisable to assure that the use of
said areas by the State will not interfere with the operation of said
dam and reservoir project and such additional terms and conditions
as he shall deem to be advisable in the public interest.

The conveyance authorized by this Act shall not pass any right,
title, or interest in oil, gas, fissionable materials, or other minerals.

In the event actual construction of said buildings and improve-
ments has not commenced within five years from the effective date of
this Act, or in the event said property shall cease to be used for public
park and recreation purposes for a period of two successive years,
then title thereto shall immediately revert to the United States.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 308

AN ACT

To authorize permanent appointments in the United States Navy and in the United
States Marine Corps.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may
be cited as the “Navy and Marine Corps Officer Augmentation Act of
1955”.

Sec. 2. (a) The President may appoint to permanent commissioned
grades, not above lieutenant in the Regular Navy and captain in the
Regular Marine Corps, officers of the Naval Reserve and Marine Corps
Reserve, and officers of the Regular Navy and Regular Marine Corps
who do not hold permanent commissioned appointments therein, sub-
ject to the conditions and limitations in the following subsections of
this section.

(b) Appointments made under this section shall be made pursuant
to regulations prescribed by the President for the administration of
this section, which regulations shall include, among other provisions,
the following:

(1) Provisions establishing standards and qualifications for
appointments to the grades specified herein;

(2) Provisions for the determination of the lineal position and pre-
cedence of appointees; and

(3) Provisions for the assignment of running mates to officers
appointed to the Staff Corps of the Regular Navy notwithstanding the
provisions of other laws.

(c) Persons appointed under this section shall be citizens of the
United States, and have such other qualifications as may be prescribed
by the Secretary of the Navy.

(d) No person may be permanently appointed in the Regular Navy
or Regular Marine Corps under the authority of this Act to a grade
higher than that in which he is serving at the time of such permanent
appointment.

(e) A person permanently appointed in the Regular Navy or Regu-
lar Marine Corps, under the authority of this Act, may also be tem-
porarily appointed to a higher grade appropriate to the lineal position
assigned, and such temporary appointment shall be regarded as having
been effected pursuant to the law under which officers of the Regular
Navy and Regular Marine Corps having comparable lineal position
were temporarily appointed to such higher grade.

(f) Persons permanently appointed to the Regular Navy or Regular
Marine Corps pursuant to this Act who at the time of such appoint-
ment had to their credit leave accrued but not taken, shall not, by
reason of such appointment, lose such accrued leave.
SEC. 3. (a) The commission of any person appointed under the provisions of section 2 may be revoked by the Secretary of the Navy until the third anniversary of such appointment in the Regular Navy or Regular Marine Corps.

(b) Each officer whose commission is so revoked shall thereupon be discharged from the Navy or Marine Corps without advanced pay or allowances.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of the Navy may provide by regulations for appropriate readjustment of lineal position and precedence of former commissioned officers of the Naval and Marine Corps Reserve who were appointed to the permanent commissioned grades of ensign and second lieutenant in the Regular Navy and Regular Marine Corps, respectively, subsequent to December 7, 1941, and prior to the effective date of this Act.

SEC. 5. The authority contained in this Act shall expire two years from and after the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 309

AN ACT

To increase the annual compensation of the Academic Dean of the United States Naval Postgraduate School.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4 of the Act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 706), is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. There shall be at the United States Naval Postgraduate School the civilian position of Academic Dean. An Academic Dean shall be appointed, to serve for periods of not in excess of five years, by the Secretary of the Navy upon the recommendation of the Postgraduate School Council, which shall consist of the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, and the Directors of the Technical, Administrative, and Professional Divisions of the United States Naval Postgraduate School. The Academic Dean shall receive such compensation for his services as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy, which compensation shall not exceed $13,500 per year. The Academic Dean shall be considered as a member of the civilian teaching staff of the United States Naval Postgraduate School insofar as provisions of law regarding retirement are concerned."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 310

AN ACT

To amend section 345 of the Revenue Act of 1951.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if refund or credit of an overpayment resulting from the application of section 345 of the Revenue Act of 1951 (relating to abatement of tax on certain trusts for members of Armed Forces dying in service) is prevented on the date of the enactment of this Act by the operation of any law or rule of law (other than section 3760) of the Internal Revenue Code...
of 1939 or section 7121 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, relating
to closing agreements, and other than section 3761 of the Internal
Revenue Code of 1939 or section 7122 of the Internal Revenue Code
of 1954, relating to compromises). refund or credit of such overpay-
ment may, nevertheless, be made or allowed if claim therefor is filed
within one year after the date of the enactment of this Act. No
interest shall be allowed or paid on any overpayment if refund or
credit of such overpayment would not be allowable but for this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 311

CHAPTER 671

AN ACT
To make corn meal and wheat flour available to needy persons.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary
of Agriculture is hereby authorized upon specific request of the Gov-
ernor of any State during the period commencing with the date of
this Act and ending June 30, 1957, to make available, pursuant to
clause (2) of section 32 of the Act approved August 24, 1935 (7
U. S. C. 612c) for distribution by State agencies, other than institutions
and schools, directly to families and persons determined by appro-
priate State or local public welfare agencies to be in need, wheat flour
and corn meal in such quantities as the Secretary of Agriculture
determines can be effectively distributed and utilized within such
period without regard to the requirement contained in said section
32, that such funds be devoted principally to perishable nonbasic
agricultural commodities and their products, but not more than
$15,000,000 of such funds shall be devoted in any fiscal year to carry-
ing out this Act. Such flour and meal shall be made available by the
Secretary upon such conditions as he deems to be in the public interest,
to such State agency or agencies as may be designated by the proper
State authority and approved by the Secretary, and at one or more
central locations in such State.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 312

CHAPTER 672

AN ACT
To provide for adjustments in the lands or interests therein acquired for the
Demopolis Lock and Dam, Alabama, by the reconveyance of certain lands or
interests therein to the former owners thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) in order
to provide for adjustments in the lands or interests in land hereto-
fore acquired for the Demopolis Lock and Dam project to conform
such acquisition to a lesser estate in lands now being acquired to com-
plete the real estate requirement of the project, the Secretary of the
Army is authorized to reconvey any such land or interests in land
heretofore acquired to the former owners of such land whenever
(1) he shall determine that such land or interest is not required for
public purposes, and (2) he shall have received an application for
reconveyance as hereinafter provided.

(b) The Secretary shall give notice, in such manner (including
publication) as he shall by regulation prescribe, to the former owner
of such land or interest, and any such sale of any such land or interest
shall be made only after the Secretary has received an application
for the reconveyance of such land or interest from such former owner,
in such form as he shall by regulation prescribe. Such application
shall be made within a period of ninety days following the date of
issuance of such notice, but on good cause the Secretary may waive
this requirement.

(c) Any reconveyance of land or interest therein made under this
Act shall be subject to such exceptions, restrictions, and reservations
(including a reservation to the United States of flowage rights) as
the Secretary may determine are in the public interest.

(d) Any land or interest therein reconveyed under this Act shall
be sold for an amount determined by the Secretary to be equal to the
price for which the land was acquired by the United States, adjusted
to reflect (1) any increase in the value thereof resulting from
improvements made thereon by the United States (the Government
shall receive no payment as a result of any enhancement of values
resulting from the construction of the Demopolis Lock and Dam proj-
et), or (2) any decrease in the value thereof resulting from (A)
any reservation, exception, restriction, and condition to which the
reconveyance is made subject, and (B) any damage to the land or
interest therein caused by the United States. In addition, the cost
of any surveys necessary as an incident of such reconveyance shall
be borne by the grantee.

(e) The requirements of this section shall not be applicable with
respect to the disposition of any land, or interest therein, described
in subsection (a) if the Secretary shall certify that notice has been
given to the former owner of such land or interest as provided in
subsection (b) and that no qualified applicant has made timely applic-
ation for the reconveyance of such land or interest.

(f) As used in this section, the term "former owner" means the
person from whom any land, or interest therein, was acquired by the
United States, or if such person is deceased, his spouse, or if such
spouse is deceased, his children.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Army may delegate any authority
conferred upon him by this Act to any officer or employee of the
Department of the Army. Any such officer or employee shall exer-
cise the authority so delegated under rules and regulations approved
by the Secretary.

Sec. 3. Any proceeds from sales made under this Act shall be cov-
ered into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts.

Sec. 4. This Act shall terminate three years after the date of its
enactment.

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Public Law 313

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to establish a code of law for the District
of Columbia", approved March 3, 1801, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 927 of
the Act entitled "An Act to establish a code of law for the District
of Columbia", approved March 8, 1901, as amended (sec. 24-301, D. C.
Code, 1951 edition), is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 927. (a) Whenever a person is arrested, indicted, charged by
information, or is charged in the juvenile court of the District of
Columbia, for or with an offense and, prior to the imposition of sentence or prior to the expiration of any period of probation, it shall appear to the court from the court's own observations, or from prima facie evidence submitted to the court, that the accused is of unsound mind or is mentally incompetent so as to be unable to understand the proceedings against him or properly to assist in his own defense, the court may order the accused committed to the District of Columbia General Hospital or other mental hospital designated by the court, for such reasonable period as the court may determine for examination and observation and for care and treatment if such is necessary by the psychiatric staff of said hospital. If, after such examination and observation, the superintendent of the hospital, in the case of a mental hospital, or the chief psychiatrist of the District of Columbia General Hospital, in the case of District of Columbia General Hospital, shall report that in his opinion the accused is of unsound mind or mentally incompetent, such report shall be sufficient to authorize the court to commit by order the accused to a hospital for the mentally ill unless the accused or the Government objects, in which event, the court, after hearing without a jury, shall make a judicial determination of the competency of the accused to stand trial. If the court shall find the accused to be then of unsound mind or mentally incompetent to stand trial, the court shall order the accused confined to a hospital for the mentally ill.

"(b) Whenever an accused person confined to a hospital for the mentally ill is restored to mental competency in the opinion of the superintendent of said hospital, the superintendent shall certify such fact to the clerk of the court in which the indictment, information, or charge against the accused is pending and such certification shall be sufficient to authorize the court to enter an order thereon adjudicating him to be competent to stand trial, unless the accused or the Government objects, in which event, the court, after hearing without a jury, shall make a judicial determination of the competency of the accused to stand trial.

"(c) When any person tried upon an indictment or information for an offense, or tried in the juvenile court of the District of Columbia for an offense, is acquitted solely on the ground that he was insane at the time of its commission, that fact shall be set forth by the jury in their verdict.

"(d) If any person tried upon an indictment or information for an offense, or tried in the juvenile court of the District of Columbia for an offense, is acquitted solely on the ground that he was insane at the time of its commission, the court shall order such person to be confined in a hospital for the mentally ill.

"(e) Where any person has been confined in a hospital for the mentally ill pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, and the superintendent of such hospital certifies (1) that such person has recovered his sanity, (2) that, in the opinion of the superintendent, such person will not in the reasonable future be dangerous to himself or others, and (3) in the opinion of the superintendent, the person is entitled to his unconditional release from the hospital, and such certificate is filed with the clerk of the court in which the person was tried, and a copy thereof served on the United States Attorney or the Corporation Counsel of the District of Columbia, whichever office prosecuted the accused, such certificate shall be sufficient to authorize the court to order the unconditional release of the person so confined from further hospitalization at the expiration of fifteen days from the time said certificate was filed and served as above; but the court in its discretion may, or upon objection of the United States or the District of Colum-
bia shall, after due notice, hold a hearing at which evidence as to the mental condition of the person so confined may be submitted, including the testimony of one or more psychiatrists from said hospital. The court shall weigh the evidence and, if the court finds that such person has recovered his sanity and will not in the reasonable future be dangerous to himself or others, the court shall order such person unconditionally released from further confinement in said hospital.

If the court does not so find, the court shall order such person returned to said hospital. Where, in the judgment of the superintendent of such hospital, a person confined under subsection (d) above is not in such condition as to warrant his unconditional release, but is in a condition to be conditionally released under supervision, and such certificate is filed and served as above provided, such certificate shall be sufficient to authorize the court to order the release of such person under such conditions as the court shall see fit at the expiration of fifteen days from the time such certificate is filed and served pursuant to this section: Provided, That the provisions as to hearing prior to unconditional release shall also apply to conditional releases, and, if, after a hearing and weighing the evidence, the court shall find that the condition of such person warrants his conditional release, the court shall order such person returned to such hospital. Where, in the judgment of the superintendent of such hospital, a person confined under subsection (d) above is not in such condition as to warrant his unconditional release, but is in a condition to be conditionally released under supervision, and such certificate is filed and served as above provided, such certificate shall be sufficient to authorize the court to order the release of such person under such conditions as the court shall see fit at the expiration of fifteen days from the time such certificate is filed and served pursuant to this section: Provided, That the provisions as to hearing prior to unconditional release shall also apply to conditional releases, and, if, after a hearing and weighing the evidence, the court shall find that the condition of such person warrants his conditional release, the court shall order such person returned to such hospital.

"(f) When an accused person shall be acquitted solely on the ground of insanity and ordered confined in a hospital for the mentally ill, such person and his estate shall be charged with the expense of his support in such hospital.

"(g) Nothing herein contained shall preclude a person confined under the authority of this section from establishing his eligibility for release under the provisions of this section by a writ of habeas corpus.

"(h) The provisions of this section shall supersede in the District of Columbia the provisions of any Federal statutes or parts thereof inconsistent with this section."

Sec. 2. Section 928 of such Act approved March 3, 1901, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 928. Any person while serving sentence of any court of the District of Columbia for crime, in a District of Columbia penal institution, and who, in the opinion of the Director of the Department of Corrections of the District of Columbia, is mentally ill, shall be referred by such Director to the psychiatrist functioning under section 405 of title IV of the Act approved June 29, 1953 (67 Stat. 105; sec. 24-106, Supp. III, D. C. Code, 1951 edition), and if such psychiatrist certifies that the person is mentally ill, this shall be sufficient to authorize the Director to transfer such person to a hospital for the mentally ill to receive care and treatment during the continuance of his mental illness."

Sec. 3. Section 929 of such Act approved March 3, 1901, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 929. (a) When any person confined in a hospital for the mentally ill, charged with crime and subject to be tried therefor, shall be found competent to stand trial in the opinion of the superintendent of such hospital, the superintendent shall certify such fact to the clerk of the court in which the indictment, information, or charge is pending, in accordance with the procedure specified in section 927 of this Act, and deliver such person to the court according to its proper precept.

"(b) When any person confined in a hospital for the mentally ill while serving sentence shall be restored to mental health within
the opinion of the superintendent of the hospital, the superintendent
shall certify such fact to the Director of the Department of Cor-
rections of the District of Columbia and such certification shall be
sufficient to deliver such person to such Director according to his
request."

Sec. 4. The Act entitled "An Act relating to the testimony of phy-
sicians in the courts of the District of Columbia", received by the
edition), is amended to read as follows:

"That in the courts of the District of Columbia no physician or
surgeon shall be permitted, without the consent of the person afflicted,
or of his legal representative, to disclose any information, confidential
in its nature, which he shall have acquired in attending a patient in
a professional capacity and which was necessary to enable him to
act in that capacity, whether such information shall have been
obtained from the patient or from his family or from the person or
persons in charge of him; Provided, That this section shall not apply
to evidence in criminal cases where the accused is charged with causing
the death of, or inflicting injuries upon a human being, and the dis-
closure shall be required in the interests of public justice: Provided
further, That this section shall not apply to evidence relating to the
mental competency or sanity of an accused in criminal trials where
the accused raises the defense of insanity, or in the pretrial or post-
trial proceedings involving any criminal case where a question arises
concerning the mental condition of an accused or convicted person."

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Public Law 314

AN ACT

To amend the provisions of the River and Harbor Act of 1954 which authorize
the Secretary of the Army to reimburse local interests for work done on a
dredging project at Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, California, during
a period ending on July 1, 1953, by extending that period to November 7, 1953.

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Public Law 315

AN ACT

To authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain land to the
city of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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by an independent appraiser selected by such city and the Veterans’ Administration and paid jointly by such city and the Veterans’ Administration.

SEC. 2. The exact legal description of the land to be conveyed under this Act is to be determined by a survey to be made under the supervision of the Veterans’ Administration.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 316

AN ACT

Granting the consent of the Congress to the negotiation of a compact relating to the waters of the Klamath River by the States of Oregon and California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of the Congress is hereby given to the States of Oregon and California to negotiate and enter into a compact, providing for an equitable apportionment between the said States of the waters of the Klamath River and its tributaries, including Lost River which is not naturally tributary to the Klamath River but which is an interstate stream within the Klamath Basin which has become tributary to Klamath River by virtue of a diversion canal constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation, United States Department of the Interior, and for matters incidental thereto, upon the condition that one qualified person, not a resident of either Oregon or California, who shall be appointed by the President of the United States, shall participate in said negotiations as a representative of the United States and shall make a report to the President and the Congress of the proceedings and of any compact so negotiated. Said compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon any of the parties thereto unless and until the same shall have been ratified by the legislature of each of the States aforesaid and consented to by the Congress of the United States.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 317

AN ACT

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to provide for a maximum manufacturers’ excise tax on the leases of certain automobile utility trailers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4216 (c) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by inserting after “lease” the following: “(other than a lease to which subsection (d) applies)”.

SEC. 2. Section 4216 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(d) LEASES OF CERTAIN TRAILERS.—In the case of any lease of a trailer or semitrailer taxable under section 4061 (a) and suitable for use in connection with passenger automobiles, there shall be paid, at the election of the taxpayer—

“(1) upon the initial lease a tax at the applicable rate specified in section 4061 (a) based upon the fair market value on the date of such lease, or

“(2) upon each lease payment with respect to such trailer or semitrailer, a percentage of such payment equal to the rate of tax
which would be imposed upon the sale of such trailer or semitrailer, until the total of the tax payments under such lease and any prior lease equals the total tax. In any case where a trailer or semitrailer which has been leased is sold before the total tax has been paid, the tax payable on such sale shall be the difference between the tax paid on the lease payments and the total tax. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "total tax" means the tax computed, at the rate in effect on the date of the initial lease, on the fair market value on the date of such lease. However, in the case where a trailer or semitrailer which has been leased is sold before the total tax has been paid, the total tax shall not exceed a tax computed, at the rate in effect on the date of the initial lease, on the amount received on such sale (determined without regard to section 4216 (b)) plus the total of the payments received by the lessor under any lease of such trailer or semitrailer."

Sec. 3. Section 4217 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence as follows: "This section shall not apply to the lease of an article upon which the tax has been paid in the manner provided in section 4216 (d) (1) or the total tax has been paid in the manner provided in section 4216 (d) (2)."

Sec. 4. The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the first day of the first month which begins more than 10 days after the date of the enactment of this Act. In the application of section 4216 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (as added by this Act) to any article which has been leased before the effective date specified in the preceding sentence, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate—

1. the fair market value of such article shall be the fair market value determined as of such effective date;
2. only payments under a lease received on or after such effective date shall be considered in determining when the total tax (as defined in such section 4216 (d)) has been paid;
3. any lease existing on such effective date, or if there is none, the first lease entered into after such effective date, shall be considered an initial lease (except that fair market value shall be determined as provided in paragraph (1) of this sentence); and
4. any lease existing on such effective date shall be considered as having been entered into on such date.

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commissioned grade, including a commissioned warrant grade, by an officer whose permanent status is enlisted."; and
(c) deleting section 7 (c).

Sec. 2. (a) Any person who, on the date of enactment of this Act, is a member of the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve and who prior to his transfer thereto—

(1) was serving under a temporary appointment in a commissioned grade, and

(2) had completed more than twenty years of active service in the Navy, Marine Corps, Army, Air Force, or Coast Guard, or the reserve components thereof, including active duty for training, at least ten years of which was active commissioned service, may, in the discretion of the President, be placed on the retired list with the highest rank in which he served satisfactorily before his transfer to the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, if application therefor is made within ninety days after the enactment of this Act.

(b) Any person transferred to the retired list under subsection (a) is entitled to retired pay at the rate of 2 1/2 per centum of the active duty pay, with longevity credit, of the grade in which he is placed on the retired list, multiplied by the number of years of service for which entitled to credit in the computation of his active duty pay at the time of transfer to the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, not to exceed a total of 75 per centum of the active duty pay of that rank. A fractional year of six months or more shall be considered a full year in computing the number of years of service by which the rate of 2 1/2 per centum is multiplied.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 319

AN ACT

To amend title V of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 509 of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, is amended by striking out "December 31, 1955" and inserting "June 30, 1959".

SEC. 2. Subsection 3 of section 502 of such Act, as amended, is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof the following: "Provided, however, That if the employer can establish to the satisfaction of the Secretary of Labor that the employer has provided or paid to the worker the cost of return transportation and subsistence from the place of employment to the appropriate reception center, the Secretary under such regulations as he may prescribe may relieve the employer of his obligation to the United States under this subsection."

SEC. 3. Section 503 of such Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"In carrying out the provisions of (1) and (2) of this section, provision shall be made for consultation with agricultural employers and workers for the purpose of obtaining facts relevant to the supply of domestic farm workers and the wages paid such workers engaged in similar employment. Information with respect to certifications under (1) and (2) shall be posted in the appropriate local public employment offices and such other public places as the Secretary may require."

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To provide for the regulation of fares for the transportation of schoolchildren in the District of Columbia.

Public Law 321

To amend section 3401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.
“(B) such individual was regularly employed (as determined under subparagraph (A)) by such employer in the performance of such service during the preceding calendar quarter; or

“(5) for services by a citizen or resident of the United States for a foreign government or an international organization; or

“(6) for services performed by a nonresident alien individual, other than—

“(A) a resident of a contiguous country who enters and leaves the United States at frequent intervals; or

“(B) a resident of Puerto Rico if such services are performed as an employee of the United States or any agency thereof; or

“(7) for such services, performed by a nonresident alien individual who is a resident of a contiguous country and who enters and leaves the United States at frequent intervals, as may be designated by regulations prescribed by the Secretary or his delegate; or

“(8) (A) for services for an employer (other than the United States or any agency thereof)—

“(i) performed by a citizen of the United States if, at the time of the payment of such remuneration, it is reasonable to believe that such remuneration will be excluded from gross income under section 911; or

“(ii) performed in a foreign country or in a possession of the United States by such a citizen if, at the time of the payment of such remuneration, the employer is required by the law of any foreign country or possession of the United States to withhold income tax upon such remuneration; or

“(B) for services for an employer (other than the United States or any agency thereof) performed by a citizen of the United States within a possession of the United States (other than Puerto Rico), if it is reasonable to believe that at least 80 percent of the remuneration to be paid to the employee by such employer during the calendar year will be for such services; or

“(C) for services for an employer (other than the United States or any agency thereof) performed by a citizen of Puerto Rico, if it is reasonable to believe that during the entire calendar year the employee will be a bona fide resident of Puerto Rico; or

“(9) for services performed by a duly ordained, commissioned, or licensed minister of a church in the exercise of his ministry or by a member of a religious order in the exercise of duties required by such order; or

“(10) (A) for services performed by an individual under the age of 18 in the delivery or distribution of newspapers or shopping news, not including delivery or distribution to any point for subsequent delivery or distribution; or

“(B) for services performed by an individual in, and at the time of, the sale of newspapers or magazines to ultimate consumers, under an arrangement under which the newspapers or magazines are to be sold by him at a fixed price, his compensation being based on the retention of the excess of such price over the amount at which the newspapers or magazines are charged to him, whether or not he is guaranteed a minimum amount of compensation for such services, or is entitled to be credited with the unsold newspapers or magazines turned back; or

“(11) for services not in the course of the employer’s trade or
business, to the extent paid in any medium other than cash; or

"(12) to, or on behalf of, an employee or his beneficiary—

"(A) from or to a trust described in section 401 (a) which is exempt from tax under section 501 (a) at the time of such payment unless such payment is made to an employee of the trust as remuneration for services rendered as such employee and not as a beneficiary of the trust; or

"(B) under or to an annuity plan which, at the time of such payment, meets the requirements of section 401 (a) (3), (4), (5), and (6)."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 322

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of encouraging and promoting the development of Alaska, the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to make investigations of projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska and to report thereon, with appropriate recommendations, from time to time, to the President and to the Congress.

Sec. 2. Prior to the transmission of any such report to the Congress, the Secretary shall transmit copies thereof for information and comment to the Governor of Alaska, or to such representative as may be named by him, and to the heads of interested Federal departments and agencies. The written views and recommendations of the aforementioned officials may be submitted to the Secretary within ninety days from the day of receipt of said proposed report. The Secretary shall immediately thereafter transmit to the Congress, with such comments and recommendations as he deems appropriate, his report, together with copies of the views and recommendations received from the aforementioned officials. The letter of transmittal and its attachments shall be printed as a House or Senate document.

Sec. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated not more than $250,000 in any one fiscal year.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 323

AN ACT

To provide for the purchase of bonds to cover civilian officers and employees and military personnel of the Federal Government.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 14 of title 6 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows:

"§ 14. Purchase of Bonds to Cover Officers and Employees of the Federal Government

"(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the head of each department and independent establishment in the executive branch of the Federal Government shall obtain, under regulations which shall be
promulgated by the Secretary of the Treasury, blanket, position sched-
ule, or other types of surety bonds covering the civilian officers and
employees and military personnel of such department or independent
establishment who are required by law or administrative ruling to be
bonded. The appropriate officials of the legislative and judicial
branches of the Federal Government may obtain any or all of such
types of surety bonds covering such officers and employees under their
respective jurisdictions as such officials may deem appropriate to be
bonded. Each bond obtained under this section shall be of the most
 economical type available for the number and type of personnel to be
bonded and shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the
duties of the individual or individuals so bonded. The bond premium
can cover a period not exceeding two years and shall be paid from any
funds available for the payment of administrative expenses at the time
such premium becomes payable. Whenever any civilian officers or
employees or military personnel are covered by a bond under authority
of this section, the surety or sureties on any existing bond of any such
civilian officers or employees or military personnel shall not be liable
for any defaults occurring subsequent to the date of the new coverage.
For purposes of this section, the term 'faithful performance of the
duties' shall include the proper accounting for all funds or property
received by reason of the position or employment of the individual
or individuals so bonded and all duties and responsibilities imposed
upon such individual or individuals by law or by regulation issued
pursuant to law.

"(b) If, in the opinion of the head of the department or independent
establishment concerned, the premium cost for any bond procured
under this section covering officers or employees in the executive branch
of the Federal Government will exceed the rate of $150 per annum, the
procurement of such bond shall be made by the head of such depart-
ment or independent establishment only after advertising a sufficient
time previously for proposals for the furnishing of such bond, except
that such advertising for proposals shall not be required when the
public exigencies require the immediate procurement of such bond.

"(c) The Secretary of the Treasury shall transmit to the Congress,
on or before June 30, 1956, a comprehensive report of the operations
of the departments and independent establishments under this section.
Thereafter, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transmit to the Con-
grress on or before October 1 of each year, beginning with the year
1957, a comprehensive report of such operations during the preceding
fiscal year. Such report shall include, among other matters, informa-
tion, in summary and in detail, with respect to operations under this
section, setting forth—

"(1) the number of officers and employees covered by bonds
procured under this section,

"(2) the number and types of bonds procured under this section
and the individual penal sums thereof,

"(3) the amounts of the premiums paid for bonds procured
under this section, and

"(4) such other information as may be necessary to enable the
Committee on Post Office and Civil Service of the Senate and the
Committee on Post Office and Civil Service of the House of Repre-
sentatives to determine the results of operations under this section.
The reports submitted by the Secretary of the Treasury under this sec-
tion shall be delivered to the President of the Senate and to the
Speaker of the House of Representatives (or to the Clerk of the House
and the Secretary of the Senate, respectively, if the Congress is not in
session) on the same day, and shall be referred to the Committee on
Post Office and Civil Service of each House."
Sec. 2. The last sentence of section 6 of title 6 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows: "Except with respect to bonds obtained under section 14 of this title, no officer or person having the approval of any bond shall require that such bond shall be furnished by a guaranty company or by any particular guaranty company."

Sec. 3. The analysis of title 6 of the United States Code, immediately preceding section 1 of such title, is amended by striking out the item "14. Rate of premium on bond; premiums not to be paid by United States." and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"14. Purchase of bonds to cover officers and employees of the Federal Government."

Sec. 4. The amendments made by this Act shall take effect on January 1, 1956.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 324

AN ACT

To amend title 14, United States Code, entitled "Coast Guard", for the purpose of providing involuntary retirement of certain officers, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 11 of title 14 of the United States Code is amended by—

(1) inserting, in the analysis thereto after item 244 the following:

"245. Repealed.
"246. Repealed.
"247. Rear admirals; involuntary retirement; retention on the active list.
"248. Captains; retention on the active list; involuntary retirement;"

and

(2) inserting, immediately after section 244 thereof, the following new sections:

"§ 247. Rear admirals; involuntary retirement; retention on the active list

"(a) Any rear admiral, unless retired under some other provision of law or retained on the active list under subsection (b) of this section, shall be retired on June 30 of the fiscal year in which he completes a total of seven years of service in the permanent grade of rear admiral or a total of thirty-five years of active commissioned service, including service creditable for retirement purposes under sections 432, 433, and 434 of this title.

"(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, the Commandant, with the approval of the Secretary, may by annual action retain on the active list from fiscal year to fiscal year any rear admiral who would otherwise be retired under subsection (a). A rear admiral so retained, unless retired under some other provision of law, shall be retired on June 30 of that fiscal year in which no action is taken to further retain him under this subsection.

"(c) Subsections (a) and (b) of this section do not apply to any officer serving as Commandant, Assistant Commandant, or Engineer-in-Chief. However, time served in any of those offices shall be included in any computation made under subsection (a) after the officer has vacated the office.

"§ 248. Captains; retention on the active list; involuntary retirement

"(a) The Secretary shall convene annually during January a board
consisting of not less than five commissioned officers of the grade of rear admiral. The board shall consider for retention on the active list, and shall select for retention on the active list 75 per centum of all captains who have completed or who during the fiscal year in which the board meets will complete, a total of eight or more years of service, whether permanent or temporary, in the grade of captain, and a total of thirty or more years of active commissioned service, including service creditable for retirement purposes under sections 432, 433, and 434 of this title. When a final fraction occurs in any computation made of the number of captains to be retained under this section, the nearest whole number shall be taken, and if the fraction be one-half, the next highest whole number shall be taken.

“(b) Any captain who is considered by the board and is not selected for retention under subsection (a) of this section, unless retired under some other provision of law or retained on the active list under subsection (c) of this section, shall be retired on June 30 of the fiscal year in which considered by the board.

“(c) Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this section, the Commandant, with the approval of the Secretary, may by annual action retain on the active list from fiscal year to fiscal year any captain who would otherwise be retired under subsection (b). A captain so retained shall not be considered for retention on the active list by any subsequent board convened under subsection (a) of this section, and, unless retired under some other provision of law, shall be retired on June 30 of that fiscal year in which no action is taken to further retain him under this subsection.”

Sec. 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 1955.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 325

AN ACT

To provide wage credits under title II of the Social Security Act for military service before April 1956, and to permit application for lump-sum benefits under such title to be made within two years after interment or reinterment in the case of servicemen dying overseas before April 1956.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 217 (e) of the Social Security Act (relating to benefits in case of veterans) is amended by striking out “July 1, 1955” each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “April 1, 1956”.

Sec. 2. The last sentence of section 202 (i) of the Social Security Act (relating to lump-sum death payments) is amended by striking out “July 1955” and inserting in lieu thereof “April 1956”.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 326

AN ACT

To provide for the sale of certain war housing projects to the Housing Authority of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, for use in providing rental housing for persons of limited income.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law (but subject to sections 7 and 8 of the Nonprofit Housing Act of 1954 (Public Law 88-374), approved July 13, 1954), the Housing Authority of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, may sell war housing projects.
and 4 of this Act), the Housing and Home Finance Administrator is authorized and directed to sell and convey to the Housing Authority of the County of Beaver, Borough Township, Pennsylvania, at fair market value as determined by him, on the basis of an appraisal by an independent real estate expert, for use in providing rental housing for persons of limited income, all right, title, and interest of the United States (including, in addition to dwellings, any off-site easements and any structures, appurtenances, and other property, real or personal, acquired for such dwellings or held in connection therewith) in and to the following war housing projects:

1. PA-36053, known as Tamaqui Village, containing one hundred and twenty-five dwelling units on approximately nine and seventeen one-hundredths acres of land in Borough Township, Pennsylvania;
2. PA-36055, known as Pulaski Homes, containing one hundred dwelling units on approximately twenty-two and thirty-seven one-hundredths acres of land in Pulaski Township, Pennsylvania;
3. PA-36057, known as Lacock Dwellings, containing seventy-five dwelling units on approximately twelve and twenty-six one-hundredths acres of land in East Rochester, Pennsylvania;
4. PA-36058, known as Mount Vernon Homes, containing fifty dwelling units on approximately seven acres of land in Aliquippa, and Hopewell Township, Pennsylvania;
5. PA-36059, known as Stephen Phillips Homes, containing one hundred dwelling units on approximately three and seven one-hundredths acres of land in Monaca, Pennsylvania;
6. PA-36301, known as Van Buren Homes, containing four hundred dwelling units on approximately fifty-seven and eighty-five one-hundredths acres of land in Borough Township, Pennsylvania; and
7. PA-36449 (PA-36052-60), known as Midland Heights, containing two hundred eighty dwellings on approximately one hundred sixteen and twenty-eight one-hundredths acres of land in Midland, Pennsylvania.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding the first section of this Act, no war housing project shall be sold as provided in such section until it has been offered by the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to a duly organized mutual ownership or cooperative organization, in the manner and under the terms and conditions customarily provided for in the case of offers of war housing projects for sale to such organizations, and such offer has not been accepted within a reasonable period as determined by the Administrator (but not exceeding one hundred and twenty days).

Sec. 3. Any sale of a war housing project by the Housing and Home Finance Administrator under the first section of this Act shall be made on such terms and conditions as the Administrator shall determine; except that full payment to the United States shall be required within a period of not more than thirty years, with interest on the unpaid balance at a rate not exceeding 5 per centum per annum.

Sec. 4. The Housing and Home Finance Administrator shall not sell any war housing project under the first section of this Act until he has received from the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania an opinion to the effect that the Housing Authority of the County of Beaver has legal authority to acquire, pay for, and operate such project as a rental housing project for persons of limited income.

Sec. 5. On the first day of the sixth month following the month in which this Act is enacted, or on December 1, 1955, whichever is later, this Act shall cease to apply to any war housing project listed in the
first section of this Act which has not theretofore been sold under such section or with respect to which a commitment to sell under such section has not been made, and provided that the amount obtained for such project shall be reported to the Banking and Currency Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 327

CHAPTER 687

AN ACT

Authorizing modification of the project for flood protection on the San Joaquin River and tributaries, California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the project for construction of channel improvement works and levee construction and reconstruction on the San Joaquin River and tributary channels, authorized by the Flood Control Act approved December 22, 1944, is hereby modified to provide that in lieu of furnishing flowage easements along the San Joaquin River upstream of the mouth of the Merced River as set forth in the report of the Chief of Engineers, published as Flood Control Committee Document Numbered 2, Seventy-eighth Congress, responsible local interests may construct levees and channel improvements, as required, to protect such lands against floods, subject to approval by the Chief of Engineers, United States Army: Provided, That the flood hazard to downstream areas is not materially increased thereby, and that due consideration be given to the timing and sequence of construction of the parts of the project to be accomplished by local interests in proper relation to the development of flood control storage on the tributaries of the San Joaquin River; And provided further, That construction and maintenance of such levees and channel improvements be undertaken at no cost to the United States.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 328

CHAPTER 688

AN ACT

To revive and reenact the Act "Authorizing the Arkansas-Mississippi Bridge Commission, its public successors or public assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Mississippi, and Helena, Arkansas", approved May 17, 1939.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved May 17, 1939, authorizing the Arkansas-Mississippi Bridge Commission, its public successors or public assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Mississippi, and Helena, Arkansas, as amended, be and is hereby revived and reenacted: Provided, That this Act shall be null and void unless the actual construction of the bridge herein referred to be commenced within two years and completed within four years from the date of approval hereof.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

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CHAPTER 689

AN ACT

To change the name of Garza-Little Elm Dam, located in Denton County, Texas, to Lewisville Dam.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the dam, known as Garza-Little Elm Dam, in Denton County, Texas, shall hereafter be known as Lewisville Dam and any law, regulation, document, or record of the United States in which such dam is designated or referred to under the name Garza-Little Elm Dam shall be held to refer to such dam under and by the name of Lewisville Dam.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 331

CHAPTER 691

AN ACT

To remit the duty on certain bells to be imported for addition to the carillons of The Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to admit free of duty twelve bells imported for addition to the carillons possessed by The Citadel, an educational institution situated in Charleston, South Carolina.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 330

CHAPTER 690

AN ACT

To prohibit the employment by the Government of the United States of persons who are disloyal or who participate in or assert the right to strike against the Government of the United States, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no person shall accept or hold office or employment in the Government of the United States or any agency thereof, including wholly owned Government corporations, who—

(1) advocates the overthrow of our constitutional form of government in the United States;

(2) is a member of an organization that advocates the overthrow of our constitutional form of government in the United States, knowing that such organization so advocates;

(3) participates in any strike or asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States or such agency; or

(4) is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States or such agencies, knowing that such organization asserts such right.

Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), every person who accepts office or employment in the Government of the United States after the date of enactment of this Act, shall, not later than sixty days after he accepts such office or employment, execute an affidavit that his acceptance and holding of such office or employment does not or (if the affidavit is executed prior to acceptance of such office or employment)
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will not constitute a violation of the first section of this Act. Such affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the acceptance and holding of office or employment by the person executing the affidavit does not or will not constitute a violation of such section.

(b) An affidavit shall not be required from a person employed by the Government of the United States for less than sixty days for sudden emergency work involving the loss of human life or the destruction of property. This subsection shall not relieve any person from liability for violation of the first section of this Act.

SEC. 3. Any person who violates section 1 of this Act shall be guilty of a felony, and shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year and a day, or both.

SEC. 4. The following parts of Acts are hereby repealed:

(1) Section 612 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U. S. C., sec. 1445);

(2) Section 9A of the Act entitled "An Act to prevent pernicious political activities", approved August 2, 1939 (5 U. S. C., sec. 118j); and

(3) Section 305 of the Labor Management Relations Act, 1947, as amended (29 U. S. C., sec. 188).

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 332

AN ACT
To provide for the conveyance of one and eight-tenths acres of land, more or less, within the Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to the city of Grapevine, Texas, for sewage disposal purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to convey to the city of Grapevine, Texas, a portion of tract A-28 within the Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project, not to exceed two acres, required by the city for the expansion of its sewage treatment plant located on adjoining land belonging to the city, the conveyance to be by quitclaim deed upon payment of 50 per centum of the fair appraised market value thereof, but on condition that in the event the property so conveyed shall fail or cease to be used for disposal purposes, the title thereto shall revert to and revest in the United States; and subject to such reservations, including flowage easements, restrictions, terms, and conditions, as the Secretary of the Army determines to be necessary in the interest of the United States.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 333

AN ACT
To amend the Internal Revenue Codes so as to provide a personal exemption with respect to certain dependents in the Republic of the Philippines.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 25 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 (defining the term "dependent") is hereby amended by inserting after the fourth sentence thereof the following new sentence: "For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1946, the preceding sentence shall not exclude from the definition of 'dependent' any child of the taxpayer born to him, or
legally adopted by him, in the Philippine Islands, if (i) the child is a resident of the Republic of the Philippines, and (ii) the taxpayer was a member of the Armed Forces of the United States at the time the child was born to him or legally adopted by him.”

Sec. 2. Section 152 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (defining the term “dependent”) is hereby amended by striking out “July 5, 1946” and inserting in lieu thereof “January 1, 1956”.

Sec. 3. (a) The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall apply with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1946, to which the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 applies.

(b) The amendment made by section 2 of this Act shall apply with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, and ending after August 16, 1954.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 334

AN ACT

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize relief of accountable officers of the Government, and for other purposes”, approved August 1, 1947 (61 Stat. 720), is hereby amended to read as follows:

“The General Accounting Office is authorized, after consideration of the pertinent findings and if in concurrence with the determinations and recommendations of the head of the department or independent establishment concerned, to relieve any disbursing or other accountable officer or agent or former disbursing or other accountable officer or agent of any such department or independent establishment of the Government charged with responsibility on account of physical loss or deficiency of Government funds, vouchers, records, checks, securities, or papers in his charge, or to authorize the reimbursement, from any appropriation or fund available for purposes of the activity in which the loss or deficiency occurred, of amounts paid subsequent to August 1, 1947, by or on behalf of the officer or agent in restitution of the loss or deficiency, if the head of the department or independent establishment determines (1) that such loss or deficiency occurred while such officer or agent was acting in the discharge of his official duties, or that such loss or deficiency occurred by reason of the act or omission of a subordinate of such officer or agent; and (2) that such loss or deficiency occurred without fault or negligence on the part of such officer or agent. This Act shall be applicable only to the actual physical loss or deficiency of Government funds, vouchers, records, checks, securities, or papers, and shall not include deficiencies in the accounts of such officers or agents resulting from illegal or erroneous payments. Whenever it is necessary in the opinion of the Comptroller General to restore or otherwise adjust the account of any disbursing or accountable officer or agent or former disbursing or other accountable officer for relief heretofore or hereafter granted under this Act, the amount of such relief shall, unless another appropriation is specifically provided therefor, be charged to the appropriation or fund available for the expense of the disbursing or other accountable function at the time the adjustment is effected.”

Approved August 9, 1955.
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CHAPTER 695

AN ACT

To amend the Act of October 19, 1949, entitled "An Act to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of October 19, 1949, entitled "An Act to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes", as amended (15 U. S. C., secs. 375-377), is hereby amended to read as follows: "That for the purposes of this Act—

"(1) The term 'person' includes corporations, companies, associations, firms, partnerships, societies, and joint stock companies, as well as individuals.

"(2) The term 'cigarette' means any roll for smoking made wholly or in part of tobacco, irrespective of size or shape and whether or not such tobacco is flavored, adulterated, or mixed with any other ingredient, the wrapper or cover of which is made of paper or any other substance or material except tobacco.

"(3) The term 'distributor licensed by or located in such State' means—

"(A) in the case of any State which by State statute or regulation authorizes the distribution of cigarettes at wholesale or retail, any person so authorized, or

"(B) in the case of any other State, any person located in such State who distributes cigarettes at wholesale or retail; but such term in no case includes a person who acquires cigarettes for purposes other than resale.

"(4) The term 'use', in addition to its ordinary meaning, means the consumption, storage, handling, or disposal of cigarettes.

"(5) The term 'tobacco tax administrator' means the State official duly authorized to administer the cigarette tax law of a State.


"(7) The term 'transfers for profit' means any transfer for profit or other disposition for profit, including any transfer or disposition by an agent to his principal in connection with which the agent receives anything of value.

"Sec. 2. (a) Any person who sells or transfers for profit cigarettes in interstate commerce, whereby such cigarettes are shipped into a State taxing the sale or use of cigarettes, to other than a distributor licensed by or located in such State, or who advertises or offers cigarettes for such a sale or transfer and shipment, shall—

"(1) first file with the tobacco tax administrator of the State into which such shipment is made or in which such advertisement or offer is disseminated a statement setting forth his name and trade name (if any), and the address of his principal place of business and of any other place of business; and

"(2) not later than the 10th day of each calendar month, file with the tobacco tax administrator of the State into which such shipment is made, a memorandum or a copy of the invoice covering each and every shipment of cigarettes made during the previous calendar month into such State; the memorandum or invoice in each case to include the name and address of the person to whom the shipment was made, the brand, and the quantity thereof.

"(b) The fact that any person ships or delivers for shipment any cigarettes shall, if such shipment is into a State in which such person..."
has filed a statement with the tobacco tax administrator under subsection (a) (1) of this section, be presumptive evidence (1) that such cigarettes were sold, or transferred for profit, by such person, and (2) that such sale or transfer was to other than a distributor licensed by or located in such State.

"Sec. 3. Whoever violates any provision of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than $1,000, or imprisoned not more than 6 months, or both.

"Sec. 4. The United States district courts shall have jurisdiction to prevent and restrain violations of this Act."

"Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the amendments made by this Act shall take effect thirty days after the date of its enactment.

(b) The provisions of section 2 (a) of the Act of October 19, 1949, as amended by this Act, insofar as it requires the filing of memoranda or copies of invoices with the appropriate tax administrator for shipments of cigarettes into the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, shall apply in respect of memoranda or copies of invoices covering shipments made during calendar months beginning after the month in which this Act is enacted.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 336

AN ACT

To amend the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, as heretofore amended, so as to permit the disposal thereunder of Plancor Numbered 980 at Institute, West Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, as heretofore amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"Sec. 26. (a) Notwithstanding the second sentence of section 7 (a), the period for receipt of proposals for the purchase of the Government-owned rubber-producing facility at Institute, West Virginia, known as Plancor Numbered 980, shall not expire until the end of the sixty-day period which begins on the date of the enactment of this section.

(b) If one or more proposals are received for the purchase of Plancor Numbered 980 within the time period specified in subsection (a), the Commission, notwithstanding the expiration of the period for negotiation specified in section 7 (f), shall negotiate with those submitting the proposals for a period of not to exceed seventy-five days for the purpose of entering into a definite contract of sale.

(c) Within ten days after the termination of the actual negotiation period referred to in subsection (b), or, if Congress is not then in session, within ten days after Congress next convenes, the Commission shall prepare and submit to the Congress a report containing, with respect to the disposal under this section of Plancor Numbered 980, the information described in paragraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, and paragraph (8) of section 9 (a). Unless the contract is disapproved by either House of the Congress by a resolution prior to the expiration of thirty days of continuous session (as defined in section 9 (c)) of the Congress following the date upon which the report is submitted to it, upon the expiration of such thirty-day period the contract shall become fully effective and the Commission shall
proceed to carry it out, and transfer of possession of the facility sold shall be made as soon as practicable but in any event within thirty days after the expiration of such thirty-day period. The failure to complete transfer of possession within thirty days after the expiration of the period for congressional review shall not give rise to or be the basis of rescission of the contract of sale.

"(d) If, upon termination of the transfer period provided for in subsection (c), no contract for the sale of Plancor Numbered 980 has become effective, the operating agency last designated by the President shall continue to maintain said Plancor in adequate standby condition under the provisions of section 8 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953."

SEC. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3 (d) of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") before submission to the Congress of its report relative to Plancor Numbered 980, shall submit it to the Attorney General, who shall, within seven days after receiving the report, advise the Commission whether, in his opinion, the proposed disposition, if carried out, will violate the antitrust laws.

SEC. 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 14 and 22 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, the Rubber Act of 1948, as amended, is hereby extended with respect to the rubber-producing facilities covered by this Act, to the close of the day of transfer of possession of Plancor Numbered 980 to a purchaser in accordance with the provisions of section 26 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act.

SEC. 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4 of Public Law 19, approved March 31, 1955, and notwithstanding the provisions of section 20 of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, the Commission established by the latter Act shall cease to exist at the close of the thirtieth day following the termination of the transfer period provided for in section 26 (c) of that Act, unless no sale of Plancor Numbered 980 is recommended by the Commission pursuant to section 26 (c) of that Act, in which event the Commission shall cease to exist at the close of the one hundred and thirtieth day following the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 5. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, disposal of Plancor Numbered 980 shall be fully subject to all the provisions of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953 and such criteria as have been established by the Commission in handling disposal of other Government-owned rubber producing facilities under that Act: Provided, That the provisions of sections 7 (j), 7 (k), 9 (d), 9 (f), 10, 11, 15, and 24 of that Act shall not apply to the disposal of Plancor Numbered 980. As promptly as practicable following the date of transfer of possession of Plancor Numbered 980 to a purchaser under this Act, the operating agency last designated by the President shall offer for sale to such purchaser the end products at such plant and held in inventory for Government account on the day of such transfer of possession, together with the feedstocks then located at such plant or purchased by the operating agency for use at such plant. Sale of such end products shall be made at the Government sales price prevailing on the business day next preceding the date of transfer of possession of such plant. Sale of such feedstocks shall be made at not less than their cost to the Government. In the event the purchaser declines to purchase such end products or feedstocks when first offered to it by the operating agency, they may be thereafter disposed of in such manner as the operating agency deems advisable. In the event Plancor...
Numbered 980 is not sold under the provisions of this Act, any end products at such plant and held in inventory for Government account and any feedstocks located at such plant or purchased by the operating agency for use at such plant shall be disposed of in such manner as the operating agency deems advisable, at the prevailing market price for such end products and feedstocks.

Sec. 6. The provisions of this Act shall not be applicable to the disposal of any Government-owned rubber-producing facilities other than Plancor Numbered 980; and all action taken pursuant to the provisions of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1953, or the amendment thereto known as Public Law 19, enacted March 31, 1955, prior to the enactment of this Act shall be governed by the provisions of that Act as it existed prior to the enactment of this Act and shall have the same force and effect as if this Act had not been enacted.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 337

AN ACT

To authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to pay the salary of a Commissioner during the recess of the Senate, and for other purposes.

AUTHORIZATION

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of June 7, 1924 (43 Stat. 669; 5 U. S. C. 56), the United States Atomic Energy Commission is authorized to pay the salary of any person appointed by the President during the recess of the Senate to fill the presently existing vacancy on the Atomic Energy Commission: Provided, That a nomination to fill such vacancy shall be submitted to the Senate not later than forty days after the commencement of the next succeeding session of the Senate.

LIMITATION

Sec. 2. The authority granted in section 1 hereof shall not extend beyond the recess of the Senate next following the session of Congress during which this Act is enacted.

Sec. 3. The fifth sentence of section 21 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 is amended to read as follows: "Each member of the Commission, including the Chairman, shall have equal responsibility and authority in all decisions and actions of the Commission, shall have full access to all information relating to the performance of his duties or responsibilities, and shall have one vote."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 338

AN ACT

To provide for the striking of medals in commemoration of the one hundred and twentieth anniversary of the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence and the Battles of the Alamo, Goliad, and San Jacinto in the year 1836.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in commemoration of the one hundred and twentieth anniversary of the signing
of the Texas Declaration of Independence and the Battles of the Alamo, Goliad, and San Jacinto in the year 1836 the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to strike and furnish to the Texas Heritage Foundation, Incorporated, two thousand medals one and five-sixteenth inches in diameter, with suitable emblems, devices, and inscriptions to be determined by the Secretary. The medals shall be considered to be national medals within the meaning of section 3551 of the Revised Statutes.

SEC. 2. (a) The Secretary of the Treasury shall cause such medals to be struck and furnished at not less than the estimated cost of manufacture, including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses; and security satisfactory to the Director of the Mint shall be furnished to indemnify the United States for the full payment of such cost.

(b) Upon authorization from the Texas Heritage Foundation, Incorporated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause duplicates in bronze of such medal to be coined and sold, under such regulations as he may prescribe, at a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof (including labor).

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 339

AN ACT
For the relief of the State of Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State of Illinois shall have the exclusive right in interstate commerce to use, manufacture, and to control the right to manufacture the emblematic design heretofore published by the secretary of state of the State of Illinois consisting of a profile of the head of Abraham Lincoln superimposed upon an outline map of the State of Illinois which is surmounted by the name "Illinois" and overlaid by the caption "Land of Lincoln".

SEC. 2. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to confer any right to recover damages for violation of this exclusive right, by any act performed before the date of enactment of this Act, or to prevent the use of any matter utilized before that date.

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 340

AN ACT
Granting the consent of Congress to the States of Kansas and Oklahoma to negotiate and enter into a compact relating to their interests in, and the apportionment of, the waters of the Arkansas River and its tributaries as they affect such States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to the States of Kansas and Oklahoma to negotiate and enter into a compact relating to the interests of such States in the development and protection from pollution of the water resources of the Arkansas River and its tributaries, and providing for an equitable apportionment among them of the waters of the Arkansas River and its tributaries flowing between such States, and for matters
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incident thereto, upon the condition that one qualified person appointed by the President of the United States shall participate in such negotiations as chairman, representing the United States, and shall make a report to the President and to the Congress of the proceedings and of any compact entered into. Such compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon any of the parties thereto until it shall have been ratified by the legislatures of each of the respective States, and consented to by the Congress of the United States: Provided, That any compact negotiated under the authority of this Act shall recognize the respective rights of the States of Kansas and Colorado in the waters of the Arkansas River, as established by the Arkansas River Compact consented to by Public Law 82, Eighty-first Congress, first session.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated a sufficient sum to pay the salary and expenses of the representative of the United States appointed hereunder: Provided, That such representative, if otherwise employed by the United States while so employed, shall not receive additional salary in the appointment hereunder.

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 341

AN ACT

To promote public cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of the Nation's important historic properties in the New York City area, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to appoint an advisory board, to be known as the New York City National Shrines Advisory Board. The membership of the Board may not exceed eleven persons. The Secretary shall appoint one member to represent the city of New York, one member to represent the State of New York, and one member to represent the Borough of Manhattan, after consideration of such recommendations as may be made by the mayor of New York City, the Governor of New York State, and the President of the Borough of Manhattan for the appointment of the representatives of their respective jurisdictions. The remaining membership of the Board shall be appointed from the various historical and civic organizations interested in effectuating the purposes of this Act. The Secretary shall, at the time of appointment, designate one of the members to serve as Chairman. Members of the Board shall receive no compensation for their services, but may be paid any necessary traveling and subsistence expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, when authorized by the Secretary of the Interior.

The functions of the Board shall be to render advice to the Secretary of the Interior and to further public participation in the rehabilitation and the preservation of those historic properties in the New York City area that are of great national significance, identified as the Federal Hall National Memorial, Castle Clinton National Monument, and the Statue of Liberty National Monument. The Board shall conduct a study of these historic properties and submit recommendations concerning their preservation and administration to the Secretary of the Interior, such report and recommendations of the Board to be transmitted to the Congress by the Secretary of the Interior, together with his recommendations thereon, within one year following the date of the establishment of the Board. The Board shall cease to exist when the Secretary of the Interior shall find that its purposes have been accomplished.
Public Law 342  
AN ACT
To authorize the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Coast and Geodetic Survey, to assist the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Coast and Geodetic Survey, is authorized and directed, upon the joint request of (1) the Board of Natural Resources of the State of Maryland, and (2) the State Archivist and the Chief Engineer of the Highway Department of the State of Delaware, to resurvey that part of the common boundary running generally north and south between the States of Maryland and Delaware which was originally surveyed and marked by Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon in the years 1763-1767 with a view to assisting such States to remark or otherwise delineate such boundary.

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 343  
AN ACT
To permit national banks to make twenty-year real estate loans, and nine-month residential construction loans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first paragraph of section 24 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended (U. S. C., 1952 edition, title 12, sec. 371), is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 24. Any national banking association may make real estate loans secured by first liens upon improved real estate, including improved farmland and improved business and residential properties. A loan secured by real estate within the meaning of this section shall be in the form of an obligation or obligations secured by a mortgage, trust deed, or other instrument upon real estate, which shall constitute a first lien on real estate in fee simple or, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Comptroller of the Currency, on a leasehold (1) under a lease for not less than ninety-nine years which is renewable or (2) under a lease having a period of not less than fifty years to run from the date the loan is made or acquired by the national banking association, and any national banking association may purchase any obligation so secured when the
entire amount of such obligation is sold to the association. The amount of any such loan hereafter made shall not exceed 50 per centum of the appraised value of the real estate offered as security and no such loan shall be made for a longer term than five years; except that (1) any such loan may be made in an amount not to exceed 66 2/3 per centum of the appraised value of the real estate offered as security and for a term not longer than ten years if the loan is secured by an amortized mortgage, deed of trust, or other such instrument under the terms of which the installment payments are sufficient to amortize 40 per centum or more of the principal of the loan within a period of not more than ten years, (2) any such loan may be made in an amount not to exceed 66 2/3 per centum of the appraised value of the real estate offered as security and for a term not longer than twenty years if the loan is secured by an amortized mortgage, deed of trust, or other such instrument under the terms of which the installment payments are sufficient to amortize the entire principal of the loan within a period of not more than twenty years, and (3) the foregoing limitations and restrictions shall not prevent the renewal or extension of loans heretofore made and shall not apply to real estate loans which are insured under the provisions of title II, title VI, title VIII, section 8 of title I, or title IX of the National Housing Act or which are insured by the Secretary of Agriculture pursuant to title I of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, or the Act entitled 'An Act to promote conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the United States by aiding in the development of facilities for water storage and utilization, and for other purposes', approved August 28, 1937, as amended. No such association shall make such loans in an aggregate sum in excess of the amount of the capital stock of such association paid in and unimpaired plus the amount of its unimpaired surplus fund, or in excess of 60 per centum of the amount of its time and savings deposits, whichever is the greater. Any such association may continue hereafter as heretofore to receive time and savings deposits and to pay interest on the same, but the rate of interest which such association may pay upon such time deposits or upon savings or other deposits shall not exceed the maximum rate authorized by law to be paid upon such deposits by State banks or trust companies organized under the laws of the State in which such association is located."

SEC. 2. The first sentence of the third paragraph of section 24 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended (U. S. C., 1952 edition, title 12, sec. 371), is amended by striking "six" and inserting in lieu thereof "nine".

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 344

AN ACT

To increase the borrowing power of Commodity Credit Corporation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4 of the Act approved March 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 108), as amended, is amended by striking out "$10,000,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$12,000,000,000".

Sec. 2. Section 4 (i) of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act (62 Stat. 1070), as amended, is amended by striking out "$10,000,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$12,000,000,000".

Approved August 11, 1955.
Public Law 345

CHAPTER 783

AN ACT

To extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, the conservation and development of urban communities, the financing of vitally needed public works, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Housing Amendments of 1955".

TITLE I—GENERAL HOUSING AMENDMENTS

HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS

Sec. 101. Section 2 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "August 1, 1955" and inserting "September 30, 1956".

MORTGAGE INSURANCE

Sec. 102. (a) Section 204 (f) of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:

"Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, the Commissioner is authorized, with respect to mortgages insured pursuant to commitments for insurance issued after the date of enactment of the Housing Amendments of 1955, and, with the consent of the mortgagee or mortgagor, as the case may be, with respect to mortgages insured pursuant to commitments issued prior to such date, to effect the settlement of certificates of claim and refunds to mortgagors at any time after the sale or transfer of title to the property conveyed to the Commissioner under this section and without awaiting the final liquidation of such property for the purpose of determining the net amount to be realized therefrom."

(b) Section 207 of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

(1) In subsection (a) (1) (B), after the words "residential use", insert "or upon which there is located or to be constructed facilities for trailer coach mobile dwellings";

(2) In subsection (a) (6), before the period, insert the following: "or space in a trailer court or park properly arranged and equipped to accommodate trailer coach mobile dwellings";

(3) In the first proviso of subsection (c) (2), after the words "of this section", insert "or a mortgage on a trailer court or park";

(4) Before the colon immediately preceding the proviso in subsection (c) (3), insert "or not to exceed $1,000 per space or $300,000 per mortgage for trailer courts or parks"; and

(5) In the last sentence of subsection (c), after the word "project", insert "may include eight or more family units and".

(c) Sections 207 (c) (1), 213 (b) (1), 213 (c), 220 (d) (3) (B), and 221 (d) (3) of said Act, as amended, are hereby amended by striking out "$5,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$12,500,000".

(d) Section 213 (b) (2) of said Act, as amended, is amended by striking out "the estimated value" both times it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "the amount which the Commissioner estimates will be the replacement cost".

(e) Section 213 of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding, in the last sentence of subsection (d), after the words "subsection (a) of this section", the words "may include eight or more family units and".

48 Stat. 1250.
12 USC 1710.
12 USC 1713.
58 Stat. 596, 599.
12 USC 1715e, 1715k, 1715l.
(f) Section 217 of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking “July 1, 1954” and inserting “July 1, 1955”, and by striking “$3,500,000,000” and inserting “$4,000,000,000”.

(g) Section 220 (d) (3) of such Act, as amended, is amended as follows:

(1) In subparagraph (A) by striking out “the appraised value” and inserting in lieu thereof “the amount which the Commissioner estimates will be the replacement cost”, and by striking out “such value” and inserting in lieu thereof “such cost”, and by adding the following proviso before the last semicolon of said subparagraph (A):

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And provided further, That in the case of properties other than new construction, the foregoing limitations upon the amount of the mortgage shall be based upon appraised value rather than upon the Commissioner’s estimate of the replacement cost”;
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(2) In subparagraph (B) (ii) by striking out “the estimated value” and inserting in lieu thereof “the amount which the Commissioner estimates will be the replacement cost”, and by striking out “value” and inserting in lieu thereof “replacement cost”, and by adding the following proviso before the semicolon in said subparagraph (B)(ii):

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Provided, That in the case of properties other than new construction, the foregoing limitation upon the amount of the mortgage shall be based upon appraised value rather than upon the Commissioner’s estimate of the replacement cost”.
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(h) In the performance of, and with respect to, the functions, powers, and duties vested in him by section 213 of the National Housing Act, as amended, the Commissioner, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, shall appoint a Special Assistant for Cooperative Housing, and provide the Special Assistant with adequate staff, whose sole responsibility will be to expedite operations under such section and to eliminate obstacles to the full utilization of such section under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner. The person so appointed shall be fully sympathetic with the purposes of such section.

(i) Clause (a) of the second sentence of section 227 of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking “under section 221” and inserting “under section 221 if the mortgage meets the requirements of paragraph (3) of subsection (d) thereof”.

(j) Section 221 (a) of said Act, as amended, is amended as follows:

(1) By inserting after the words “in order to assist in relocating families” the following: “from urban renewal areas and in relocating families”;

(2) By striking out the words “to be so displaced” in the first proviso of the second sentence;

(3) By striking out the words “to be so displaced and” and inserting “referred to above” in the second proviso of the second sentence.

(k) Section 223 (a) of said Act, as amended, is amended by striking out “section 203 or section 207” each time it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “section 203, 207, or 213”.

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

Sec. 103. Section 305 of said Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

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(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Association is authorized to enter into advance commitment contracts which do not exceed $50,000,000 outstanding at any one time, if such commitments relate to mortgages with respect to which the Federal Housing Commissioner shall have issued pursuant to section 213 either a commitment to insure or a statement of eligibility; but not more than
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$5,000,000 of such authorization shall be available for such commitments in any one State."

CERTIFICATES OF CLAIM

Sec. 104. Section 604 (f) of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:

"Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, the Commissioner is authorized, with the consent of the mortgagee or mortgagor, as the case may be, to effect the settlement of certificates of claim and refunds at any time after the sale or transfer of title to the property conveyed to the Commissioner under this section and without awaiting the final liquidation of such property for the purpose of determining the net amount to be realized therefrom."

TERMINATION OF TITLE IX OF THE NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

Sec. 105. The second sentence of section 104 of the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951, as amended, is hereby amended by striking in clause (a) thereof "designate hereunder" and inserting "designate hereunder or (iii) pursuant to a commitment to insure pursuant to the preceding clause (ii)".

SLUM CLEARANCE AND URBAN RENEWAL

Sec. 106. (a) Section 103 (b) of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "$100,000,000, which limit shall be increased by further amounts of $100,000,000 on July 1 in each of the years 1950, 1951, 1952, and 1953, respectively: Provided, That (subject to the total authorization of not to exceed $500,000,000)" and inserting "$500,000,000, which limit shall be increased by further amounts of $200,000,000 on July 1 in each of the years 1955 and 1956, respectively: Provided, That".

(b) Section 106 (e) of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "$35,000,000" and inserting "$70,000,000".

(c) Section 110 (c) of said Act, as amended, is hereby amended by inserting between the first and second sentences thereof the following sentence: "Where land within the purview of subparagraph (1) (ii) or (1) (iii) hereof (whether it be predominantly residential or nonresidential in character) is to be redeveloped for predominantly nonresidential uses, loans and advances under this title may be extended therefor if the governing body of the local public agency determines that such redevelopment for predominantly nonresidential uses is necessary and appropriate to facilitate the proper growth and development of the community in accordance with sound planning standards and local community objectives and to afford maximum opportunity for the redevelopment of the project area by private enterprise: Provided, That loans and outstanding advances to any local public agency pursuant to the authorization of this sentence shall not exceed 21/2 per centum of the estimated gross project costs of the projects undertaken under other contracts with such local public agency pursuant to this title."

Sec. 107. The Territorial Enabling Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 344) is hereby amended—

(1) by inserting "urban renewal," after "urban redevelopment," in the title;

(2) by inserting "AND URBAN RENEWAL" after "REDEVELOPMENT" in the heading of title I;

(3) by inserting "and urban renewal projects" after the term "urban redevelopment projects" in each place where that term appears in title I;
(4) by inserting "URBAN RENEWAL," after "REDEVELOPMENT," in the heading of title III;
(5) by inserting "urban renewal," after "urban redevelopment," in sections 301 and 303;
(6) by inserting "or urban renewal" after "urban redevelopment" in section 304;
(7) by inserting "as amended," after "(Public Law 171, Eighty-first Congress)," in sections 101, 301, and 304;
(8) by inserting "as amended," after "Housing Act of 1949," in the clause numbered "(1)" in section 304; and
(9) by inserting ", as amended," after "this Act" in sections 101, 301, and 304.

PUBLIC HOUSING

SEC. 108. (a) Section 101 (c) of title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, is amended by striking out "or for annual contributions or capital grants pursuant to the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, for any project or projects not constructed or covered by a contract for annual contributions prior to the effective date of the Housing Act of 1954."

(b) Subsection (i) of section 10 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(i) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law the Authority may enter into new contracts for loans and annual contributions for not more than forty-five thousand additional dwelling units during the period from the date of enactment of the Housing Amendments of 1955 through July 31, 1956, and may enter into only such new contracts for preliminary loans in respect thereto as are consistent with the number of dwelling units for which contracts for annual contributions may be entered into hereunder: Provided, That no new contracts for loans and annual contributions for additional dwelling units in excess of the number authorized in this sentence shall be entered into unless authorized by the Congress."

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Housing and Home Finance Administrator is authorized to sell and convey all right, title, and interest of the United States (including any off-site easements) at fair market value as determined by him, in and to war housing project CONN-6028, known as Welles Village, containing one hundred and ninety-nine dwelling units on approximately thirty-four and one-half acres of land in Glastonbury, Connecticut, to the Housing Authority of the town of Glastonbury, Connecticut, subject to the approval of the legislative body of the town of Glastonbury, and may enter into only such new contracts for preliminary loans in respect thereto as are consistent with the number of dwelling units for which contracts for annual contributions may be entered into hereunder: Provided, That no new contracts for loans and annual contributions for additional dwelling units in excess of the number authorized in this sentence shall be entered into unless authorized by the Congress."

(d) The Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended, is hereby amended by amending the last paragraph of section 605 (a) to read as follows:

"In any city in which, on March 1, 1953, there were more than ten thousand temporary housing units held by the United States of America, or any two contiguous cities in one of which there were on such date more than ten thousand temporary housing units so held, the Administrator may acquire, by purchase or condemnation,
a fee simple title to any or all lands in which the Administrator holds a leasehold interest, or other interest less than a fee simple, acquired by the Federal Government for national defense or war housing or for veteran’s housing where (1) the Administrator finds that the acquisition by him of a fee simple title in the land will tend to expedite the orderly disposal or removal of temporary housing under his jurisdiction by facilitating the availability of improved sites for privately owned housing needed to replace such temporary housing, and will tend to expedite the transition of the city from a war-affected community containing, as of said date, a large number of temporary houses to a community having additional permanent, well-planned, residential neighborhoods, (2) the local governing body of the city makes a like finding and requests the Administrator to acquire such title to the land, and (3) the city has furnished assurances satisfactory to the Administrator that no individual who is employed by, or is an official of, the government of the city in which the land is located, or any agency thereof, shall be permitted, directly or indirectly, to have any financial interest in the purchase or redevelopment of such land: Provided, That such acquisitions by the Administrator pursuant to this sentence shall be limited to not exceeding four hundred and twenty-five acres of land in the general area in which approximately one thousand five hundred units of temporary housing held by the United States of America were unoccupied on said date: And provided further, That funds for such acquisition by the Administrator, which are authorized, pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and title II of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955, to be expended from the revolving fund established by that title under the heading “Housing and Home Finance Agency Office of the Administrator, revolving fund”, shall be taken into consideration, to the extent that they are needed, in making any determination pursuant to the second proviso under that heading. All or any part of any land so acquired by the Administrator may, during the five year period following the date of its acquisition, be sold by the Administrator, through negotiated sale, to such city or any local public agency where (1) the city or local public agency has represented to the Administrator that it is duly authorized under State law to purchase and resell such land, that such land will be made available to private enterprise for development in accordance with local zoning and other laws, and that the aggregate of such land and any other land in the same city previously sold under the authority of this paragraph to the city or a local public agency will be developed for predominantly residential use, and (2) the city or local public agency has agreed to pay the fair market value of the land as determined by the Administrator, after giving consideration, among other relevant information, to the cost to the Federal Government of acquiring the fee simple title and of holding the land pending sale (including estimated amounts to cover legal and overhead expenses of such acquisition and to cover interest costs to the Federal Government of monies invested in the land pending sale). Any such negotiated sale of land to the city or a local public agency shall be made upon terms which require (1) that the city or public agency shall pay in cash at least one third of the price of the land upon its conveyance and the entire price within one year after its conveyance and (2) that any portion of the entire price not paid upon such conveyance shall be represented by an indebtedness which shall bear interest on outstanding balances at a rate of 4 per centum per annum and which shall be secured by a first mortgage lien upon the land or such portion of
the land as the Administrator deems adequate to protect the financial interest of the Federal Government. The Administrator may, at any time that he deems it to be in the public interest to do so, dispose, under authority of other provisions of this Act, of any land acquired by him pursuant to this paragraph. Any land acquired by the Administrator pursuant to this paragraph which has not been disposed of within five years after its acquisition shall be disposed of by him as expeditiously as possible in the public interest in accordance with other authority contained in this Act. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 306 of this Act or any other provisions of law, no payments in lieu of taxes shall be made for any tax year beginning subsequent to the date of the acquisition of title to the property by the Administrator."

HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Sec. 109. (a) The Federal Home Loan Bank Act, as amended, is hereby amended—

(1) by striking the first sentence of section 6 (i) and inserting:

"Any member other than a Federal savings and loan association may withdraw from membership in a Federal Home Loan Bank six months after filing with the board written notice of intention so to do, and the board may, after hearing, remove any member from membership, or deprive any nonmember borrower of the privilege of obtaining further advances, if, in the opinion of the board, such member or nonmember borrower (i) has failed to comply with any provision of this Act or regulation of the board made pursuant thereto; (ii) is insolvent: Provided, That any member of a bank which is a building and loan association, savings and loan association, cooperative bank, or homestead association shall be deemed insolvent if the assets of such member are less than its obligations to its creditors and others, including the holders of its withdrawable accounts; or (iii) has a management or home-financing policy of a character inconsistent with sound and economical home financing or with the purposes of this Act;"

(2) by striking the period at the end of section 7 (a) and inserting a colon and the following: "Provided, That the board may by regulation increase the number of elective directors of any Federal Home Loan Bank having a district which includes five or more States to a number not exceeding twice the number of States comprising such district, but such additional elective directors shall be apportioned as nearly as may be practicable in the same manner and order as is provided for the apportionment of elective directors under subsections (c) and (d) hereof: Provided further, That there shall be not less than one elective director from any of the States nor more than three elective directors from any of the States in any district referred to in the preceding proviso and in no event shall the total number of elective directors in any one district exceed eleven. The term 'States' as used in the preceding provisos shall mean the States of the Union and the District of Columbia;"

(3) by inserting "(a)" after the section number in section 17 and adding at the end thereof a new subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) The Home Loan Bank Board which was, pursuant to Reorganization Plan Numbered 3 of 1947, established and made a constituent agency of the Housing and Home Finance Agency shall, from the effective date of the Housing Amendments of 1955, cease to be such a constituent agency and shall be an independent agency (including the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation) in the exec-
utive branch of the Government: *Provided*, That the functions vested in the Chairman of said board under clause (2) of the last sentence of subsection (b) of section 2 of said reorganization plan are hereby transferred to said board. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, said board, the Chairman thereof except as herein otherwise provided, and the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, respectively, shall have and may exercise all functions which they respectively had or could exercise, immediately prior to the effective date of the Housing Amendments of 1955 or immediately prior to the effective date of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1955. Said board shall annually make a report of its operations (including those of the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation) to the Congress as soon as practicable after the first day of January in each year. The name of the Home Loan Bank Board is hereby changed to 'Federal Home Loan Bank Board'."

(b) Subsection (e) of section 406 of the National Housing Act, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1729 (e)), is hereby amended by striking the words "Housing and Home Finance Administrator" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Congress".

SEC. 110. The Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933, as amended, is hereby amended by striking the proviso at the end of the second paragraph of section 5 (c) and inserting: "Provided, That no such loan, unless so insured or guaranteed, shall be made in excess of $2,500.".

FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN INSURANCE CORPORATION ADMISSION FEES

SEC. 111. The National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking section 403 (d) and inserting:

"(d) Any institution which applies after the effective date of the Housing Amendments of 1955 for insurance under this title shall pay, in the event its application is approved, an admission fee in such amount as the Corporation shall determine, taking into consideration the total cost of processing all insurance applications."

COMMUNITY FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 112. Section 702 of the Housing Act of 1954 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 702. (a) In order (1) to encourage municipalities and other public agencies to maintain at all times a current and adequate reserve of planned public works the construction of which can rapidly be commenced, particularly when the national or local economic situation makes such action desirable, and (2) to help attain maximum economy and efficiency in the planning and construction of public works, the Administrator is hereby authorized to make advances to public agencies (notwithstanding the provisions of section 3648 of the Revised Statutes, as amended) to aid in financing the cost of engineering and architectural surveys, designs, plans, working drawings, specifications, or other action preliminary to and in preparation for the construction of public works: *Provided*, That the making of advances hereunder shall not in any way commit the Congress to appropriate funds to assist in financing the construction of any public works so planned: *And provided further*, That advances outstanding to public agencies in any one State shall at no time exceed 10 per centum of the aggregate then authorized to be appropriated to the revolving fund established pursuant to subsection (e) of this section.

"(b) No advance shall be made hereunder with respect to any individual project unless it is planned to be constructed within a reasonable period of time, unless it conforms to an overall State, local, or
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Regional plan approved by a competent State, local, or regional authority, and unless the public agency formally contracts with the Federal Government to complete the plan preparation promptly and to repay such advance or part thereof when due. Subsequent to approval and prior to disbursement of any Federal funds for the purpose of advance planning the applicant shall establish a separate planning account into which all Federal and applicant funds estimated to be required for plan preparation shall be placed.

“(c) Advances under this section to any public agency shall be repaid without interest by such agency when the construction of the public works is undertaken or started: Provided, That if the public agency undertakes to construct only a portion of a planned public work it shall repay such proportionate amount of the advances relating to the public work as the Administrator determines to be equitable: And provided further, That in the event repayment is not made promptly such unpaid sum shall bear interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum from the date of the Government's demand for repayment to the date of payment thereof by the public agency.

“(d) The Administrator is authorized to prescribe rules and regulations to carry out the purpose of this section.

“(e) In order to provide moneys for advances in accordance with this section, the Administrator is hereby authorized to establish a revolving fund which shall comprise all moneys heretofore or hereafter appropriated pursuant to this section, together with all repayments and other receipts in connection with advances made under this section. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to such revolving fund, in addition to the amount authorized by this section as originally enacted, the further amounts of $12,000,000 which may be made available to the revolving fund on or after July 1, 1956; $12,000,000 which may be made available to such fund on or after July 1, 1957; $14,000,000 which may be made available to such fund on or after July 1, 1958; and such additional sums which may be made available from year to year thereafter as may be estimated to be necessary to maintain not to exceed a total of $48,000,000 in undisbursed balances in the revolving fund and in advances outstanding for plans in preparation or for completed plans with respect to projects which, in the determination of the Administrator, can be expected to be undertaken within a reasonable period of time.”

Sec. 113. Effective upon the date of enactment of this Act the basic rate of compensation of the Community Facilities Commissioner of the Housing and Home Finance Agency shall be the same as the basic rate of compensation established for the heads of the constituent agencies of the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

TITLE II—PUBLIC FACILITY LOANS

DECLARATION OF POLICY

Sec. 201. It has been the policy of the Congress to assist wherever possible the States and their political subdivisions to provide the services and facilities essential to the health and welfare of the people of the United States.

The Congress finds that in many instances municipalities, or other political subdivisions of States, which seek to provide essential public works or facilities, are unable to raise the necessary funds at reasonable interest rates.

It is the purpose of this title to authorize the extension of credit to assist in the provision of certain essential public works or facilities by States, municipalities, or other political subdivisions of States, where
such credit is not otherwise available on reasonable terms and conditions.

**FEDERAL LOANS**

Sec. 202. (a) The Housing and Home Finance Administrator, acting through the Community Facilities Administration, is authorized to purchase the securities and obligations of, or make loans to, States, municipalities and other political subdivisions of States, public agencies, and instrumentalities of one or more States, municipalities and political subdivisions of States, and public corporations, boards, and commissions established under the laws of any State, to finance specific public projects under State or municipal law. No such purchase or loan shall be made for payment of ordinary governmental or non-project operating expenses.

(b) The powers granted in subsection (a) of this section shall be subject to the following restrictions and limitations:

(1) No financial assistance shall be extended under this section unless the financial assistance applied for is not otherwise available on reasonable terms, and all securities and obligations purchased and all loans made under this section shall be of such sound value or so secured as reasonably to assure retirement or repayment, and such loans may be made either directly or in cooperation with banks or other lending institutions through agreements to participate or by the purchase of participations or otherwise.

(2) No securities or obligations shall be purchased, and no loans shall be made, including renewals or extensions thereof, which have maturity dates in excess of forty years.

(c) In the processing of applications for financial assistance under this section the Administrator shall give priority to applications of smaller municipalities for assistance in the construction of basic public works (including works for the storage, treatment, purification, or distribution of water; sewage, sewage treatment, and sewer facilities; and gas distribution systems) for which there is an urgent and vital public need. As used in this section, a “smaller municipality” means an incorporated or unincorporated town, or other political subdivision of a State, which had a population of less than ten thousand inhabitants at the time of the last Federal census.

**FINANCING**

Sec. 203. (a) In order to finance activities under this title, the Administrator is authorized and empowered to issue to the Secretary of the Treasury, from time to time and to have outstanding at any one time, in an amount not exceeding $100,000,000, notes and other obligations. Such obligations shall be in such forms and denominations, have such maturities and be subject to such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Administrator, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury. Such notes or other obligations shall bear interest at a rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, taking into consideration the current average rate on outstanding marketable obligations of the United States of comparable maturities as of the last day of the month preceding the issuance of such notes or other obligations. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to purchase any notes and other obligations of the Administrator to be issued hereunder and for such purpose the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to use as a public debt transaction the proceeds from the sale of any securities issued under the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended, and the purposes for which securities may be issued.
be issued under such Act, as amended, are extended to include any purchases of such notes and obligations. The Secretary of the Treasury may at any time sell any of the notes or other obligations acquired by him under this section. All redemptions, purchases, and sales by the Secretary of the Treasury of such notes or other obligations shall be treated as public debt transactions of the United States.

(b) Funds borrowed under this section and any proceeds shall constitute a revolving fund which may be used by the Administrator in the exercise of his functions under this title.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 204. In the performance of, and with respect to, the functions, powers, and duties vested in him by this title the Administrator shall (in addition to any authority otherwise vested in him) have the functions, powers, and duties set forth in section 402, except subsection (c) (2), of the Housing Act of 1950. Funds obtained or held by the Administrator in connection with the performance of his functions under this title shall be available for the administrative expenses of the Administrator in connection with the performance of such functions.

SEC. 205. No loans shall be made under section 108 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Liquidation Act (67 Stat. 230), as amended, after the date of enactment of this Act, except pursuant to an application for such loan filed prior to such date.

TITLE III—COLLEGE HOUSING

SEC. 301. Section 401 of title IV of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 401. (a) To assist educational institutions in providing housing and other educational facilities for students and faculties, the Administrator may make loans of funds to such institutions for the construction of such facilities: Provided, That (1) no such loan shall be made unless the educational institution shows that it is unable to secure the necessary funds for such construction from other sources upon terms and conditions equally as favorable as the terms and conditions applicable to loans under this title, and (2) no such loan shall be made unless the Administrator finds that the construction will be undertaken in an economical manner, and that it will not be of elaborate or extravagant design or materials.

"(b) Any educational institution which, prior to the date of enactment of this Act, has contracted for housing or other educational facilities may, in connection therewith, receive loans authorized under this title, as the Administrator may determine: Provided, That no such loan shall be made for any housing or other educational facilities, the construction of which was begun prior to the effective date of this Act, or completed prior to the filing of an application under this title.

"(c) A loan to an educational institution may be in an amount not exceeding the total development cost of the facility, as determined by the Administrator; shall be secured in such manner and be repaid within such period, not exceeding fifty years, as may be determined by him; and with respect to loan contracts under which loan funds have not been fully disbursed prior to the date of enactment of the College Housing Amendments of 1955 shall bear interest at a rate determined by the Administrator which shall be not more than the higher of (1) 2 3/4 per centum per annum, or (2) the total of one-quarter of 1 per centum per annum added to the rate of interest
paid by the Administrator on funds obtained from the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in subsection (e) of this section.

"(d) To obtain funds for loans under this title, the Administrator may issue and have outstanding at any one time notes and obligations for purchase by the Secretary of the Treasury in an amount not to exceed $500,000,000: Provided, That the amount outstanding for other educational facilities, as defined herein, shall not exceed $100,000,000.

"(e) Notes or other obligations issued by the Administrator under this title shall be in such forms and denominations, have such maturities, and be subject to such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Administrator, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury. Such notes or other obligations issued to obtain funds for loan contracts entered into after the effective date of the College Housing Amendments of 1955 shall bear interest at a rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury which shall be not more than the higher of (1) 2 1/2 per centum per annum, or (2) the average annual interest rate on all interest-bearing obligations of the United States then forming a part of the public debt as computed at the end of the fiscal year next preceding the issuance by the Administrator and adjusted to the nearest one-eighth of 1 per centum. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to purchase any notes and other obligations of the Administrator issued under this title and for such purpose is authorized to use as a public-debt transaction the proceeds from the sale of any securities issued under the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended, and the purposes for which securities may be issued under such Act, as amended, are extended to include any purchases of such notes and other obligations. The Secretary of the Treasury may at any time sell any of the notes or other obligations acquired by him under this section. All redeemptions, purchases, and sales by the Secretary of the Treasury of such notes or other obligations shall be treated as public-debt transactions of the United States.

"(f) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Administrator such sums as may be necessary, together with loan principal and interest payments made by educational institutions assisted hereunder, for payments on notes or other obligations issued by the Administrator under this section."

SEC. 302. That subsection (c) of section 404 of title IV of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) 'Development cost' means costs of the construction of the housing or other educational facilities and the land on which it is located, including necessary site improvements to permit its use for housing or other educational facilities."

SEC. 303. Section 404 of title IV of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended, is amended by—

(1) striking out subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(b) 'Educational institution' means (1) any educational institution offering at least a two-year program acceptable for full credit toward a baccalaureate degree, including any public educational institution, or any private educational institution no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and (2) any corporation (no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual) (A) established by any institution included in clause (1) of this subsection for the sole purpose of providing housing or other educational facilities for students or students and faculty of such institution without regard to their membership in or affiliation with any social,
fraternal, or honorary society or organization, and (B) upon dissolution of which all title to any property purchased or built from the proceeds of any loan secured under this title will pass to such institution.”; and

(2) adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(h) ‘Other educational facilities’ means (1) new structures suitable for use as cafeterias or dining halls, student centers or student unions, infirmaries or other inpatient or outpatient health facilities, and for other essential service facilities, and (2) structures suitable for the above uses provided by rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, or improvement of existing structures which are otherwise inadequate for such uses.”.

SEC. 304. This title may be cited as the “College Housing Amendments of 1955”.

TITLE IV—ARMED SERVICES HOUSING MORTGAGE INSURANCE

SEC. 401. Title VIII of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“TITLE VIII—ARMED SERVICES HOUSING MORTGAGE INSURANCE

“Sec. 801. As used in this title—

“(a) The term ‘mortgage’ means a first mortgage on real estate, in fee simple, or on a leasehold (1) under a lease for not less than ninety-nine years which is renewable; or (2) under a lease for a period of not less than fifty years to run from the date the mortgage was executed; and the term ‘first mortgage’ means such classes of first liens as are commonly given to secure advances on, or the unpaid purchase price of, real estate, under the laws of the State in which the real estate is located, together with the credit instruments, if any, secured thereby.

“(b) The term ‘mortgagor’ includes the original borrower under a mortgage, and his successors and assigns approved by the Commissioner; and the term ‘mortgagee’ includes the original lender under a mortgage, his successors and assigns.

“(c) The term ‘maturity date’ means the date on which the mortgage indebtedness would be extinguished if paid in accordance with periodic payments provided for in the mortgage.

“(d) The term ‘housing accommodations’ means housing designed for occupancy by military personnel and their dependents, assigned to duty at or near the military installation where such housing units are constructed.

“(e) The term ‘personnel’ shall include military and civilian personnel approved by the Secretary of Defense, or his designee, and the dependents of all such personnel.

“(f) The term ‘military’ includes Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard.

“(g) The term ‘State’ includes the several States and Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

“Sec. 802. The Military Housing Insurance Fund created by this section prior to amendment thereto shall hereafter be known as the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund. General expenses of operation of the Federal Housing Administration under this title (including operations with respect to mortgages insured or
to be insured pursuant to this title prior to enactment of the Housing
Amendments of 1955) may be charged to the Armed Services Housing
Mortgage Insurance Fund.

"Sec. 803. (a) In order to assist in relieving the acute shortage and
urgent need for family housing which now exists at or in areas adja-
cent to military installations because of uncertainty as to the perma-
nency of such installations and to increase the supply of necessary
family housing accommodations for personnel at such installations,
the Commissioner is authorized, upon application of the mortgagor,
to insure mortgages (including advances on such mortgages during
construction) which are eligible for insurance as hereinafter provided,
and, upon such terms as the Commissioner may prescribe, to make
commitments for so insuring such mortgages prior to the date of their
execution or disbursement thereon: Provided, That the aggregate
amount of principal obligations of all mortgages insured under this
title shall not exceed $1,363,500,000: And provided further, That the
limitation in section 217 of this Act shall not apply to this title: And
provided further, That no mortgage shall be insured under this title
after September 30, 1956, except pursuant to a commitment to insure
issued before such date.

"(b) To be eligible for insurance under this title a mortgage shall
meet the following conditions:

"(1) The mortgaged property shall be held by a mortgagor
approved by the Commissioner. The Commissioner may, in his dis-
cression, require such mortgagor to be regulated or restricted as to
capital structure, and methods of operation. The Commissioner may
make such contracts with, and acquire for not to exceed $100 stock or
interest in, any such mortgagor, as the Commissioner may deem neces-
sary to render effective such restriction or regulation. Such stock or
interest shall be paid for out of the Armed Services Housing Mortgage
Insurance Fund, and shall be redeemed by the mortgagor at par upon
the termination of all obligations of the Commissioner under the
insurance.

"(2) The mortgaged property shall be designed for use for resi-
dential purposes by personnel of the armed services and situated at
or near a military installation, and the Secretary or his designee
shall have certified that there is no intention, so far as can reasonably
be foreseen, to substantially curtail the personnel assigned or to be
assigned to such installation, and (i) shall have determined that for
reasons of safety, security, or other essential military requirements,
it is necessary that the personnel involved reside in public quarters
(Provided, however, That for the purposes of this subsection housing
covered by a mortgage insured, or for which a commitment to insure
has been issued, under section 803 prior to the enactment of the
'Housing Amendments of 1955' may be considered the same as avail-
able quarters), or (ii) after consultation with the Commissioner,
shall have determined that adequate housing is not available for
such personnel at reasonable rentals within reasonable commuting
distance of the installation. The housing accommodations shall
comply with such standards and conditions as the Commissioner may
prescribe to establish the acceptability of such property for mort-
gage insurance, except that the certification of the Secretary of
Defense, or his designee, shall (for purposes of mortgage insurance
under this title) be conclusive evidence to the Commissioner of the
existence of the need for such housing. However, if the Commissioner
does not concur in the housing needs as certified by the Secretary,
the Commissioner may require the Secretary to guarantee the Armed
Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund from loss with respect
to the mortgage covering such housing. There are hereby author-
ized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to provide for payment to meet losses arising from such guarantee.

4\(^{(3)}\) The mortgage shall involve a principal obligation in an amount—

4\(^{(A)}\) not to exceed the amount which the Commissioner estimates will be the replacement cost of the property or project when the proposed improvements are completed (the cost of the property or project as such term is used in this paragraph may include the cost of the land, the physical improvements, and utilities within the boundaries of the property or project);

4\(^{(B)}\) not to exceed an average of $13,500 per family unit for such part of such property or project as may be attributable to dwelling use: Provided, That the replacement cost of the property or project as determined by the Commissioner, including the estimated value of any usable utilities within the boundaries of the property or project where owned by the United States and not provided for out of the proceeds of the mortgage, shall not exceed an average of $13,500 per family unit; and

4\(^{(C)}\) not to exceed the bid of the eligible builder of the property or project under section 403 of the Housing Amendments of 1955.

The mortgage shall provide for complete amortization by periodic payments within such terms as the Commissioner shall prescribe, have a maturity not to exceed twenty-five years, and shall bear interest (exclusive of premium charges for insurance) at not to exceed 4 per centum per annum of the amount of the principal obligation outstanding at any time. The Commissioner may consent to the release of a part or parts of the mortgaged property from the lien of the mortgage upon such terms and conditions as he may prescribe and the mortgage may provide for such release.

4\(^{(c)}\) The Commissioner is authorized to fix a premium charge for the insurance of mortgages under this title but in the case of any mortgage such charge shall not be less than an amount equivalent to one-half of 1 per centum per annum nor more than an amount equivalent to 1 1/2 per centum per annum of the amount of the principal obligation outstanding at any time, without taking into account delinquent payments or prepayments. Such premium charges shall be payable by the mortgagee, either in cash, or in debentures issued by the Commissioner under this title at par plus accrued interest, in such manner as may be prescribed by the Commissioner: Provided, That the Commissioner may require the payment of one or more such premium charges at the time the mortgage is insured, at such discount rate as he may prescribe not in excess of the interest rate specified in the mortgage. If the Commissioner finds, upon the presentation of a mortgage for insurance and the tender of the initial premium charge and such other charges as the Commissioner may require, that the mortgage complies with the provisions of this title, such mortgage may be accepted for insurance by endorsement or otherwise as the Commissioner may prescribe. In the event that the principal obligation of any mortgage accepted for insurance under this title is paid in full prior to the maturity date, the Commissioner is authorized to refund to the mortgagee for the account of the mortgagor all, or such portion as he shall determine to be equitable, of the current unearned premium charges theretofore paid. The Commissioner may reduce the payment of premiums provided for herein.

4\(^{(d)}\) The failure of the mortgagor to make any payment due under or provided to be paid by the terms of a mortgage insured under this title shall be considered a default under such mortgage, and, if
such default continues for a period of thirty days, the mortgagee shall be entitled to receive the benefits of the insurance as hereinafter provided, upon assignment, transfer, and delivery to the Commissioner, within a period and in accordance with rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Commissioner of (1) all rights and interest arising under the mortgage so in default; (2) all claims of the mortgagee against the mortgagor or others, arising out of the mortgage transactions; (3) all policies of title or other insurance or surety bonds or other guaranties and any and all claims thereunder; (4) any balance of the mortgage loan not advanced to the mortgagor; (5) any cash or property held by the mortgagee, or to which it is entitled, as deposits made for the account of the mortgagor and which have not been applied in reduction of the principal of the mortgage indebtedness; and (6) all records, documents, books, papers, and accounts relating to the mortgage transaction. Upon such assignment, transfer, and delivery, the obligation of the mortgagee to pay the premium charges for mortgage insurance shall cease, and the Commissioner shall, subject to the cash adjustment provided for in subsection (e) of this section, issue to the mortgagee debentures having a total face value equal to the value of the mortgage and a certificate of claim as hereinafter provided. For the purposes of this subsection, the value of the mortgage shall be determined in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Commissioner, by adding to the amount of the original principal obligation of the mortgage which was unpaid on the date of default, the amount the mortgagee may have paid for (A) taxes, special assessments, and water rates, which are liens prior to the mortgage; (B) insurance on the property; and (C) reasonable expenses for the completion and preservation of the property and any mortgage insurance premiums paid after default; less the sum of (i) any amount received on account of the mortgage after such date; and (ii) any net income received by the mortgagee from the property after such date.

"(e) Debentures issued under this title shall be in such form and denominations in multiples of $50, shall be subject to such terms and conditions, and shall include such provisions for redemption, if any, as may be prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, and may be in coupon or registered form. Any difference between the value of the mortgage determined as herein provided and the aggregate face value of the debentures issued, not to exceed $50, shall be adjusted by the payment of cash by the Commissioner to the mortgagee from the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund.

"(f) Debentures issued under this title shall be executed in the name of the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund as obligor, shall be signed by the Commissioner, by either his written or engraved signature, and shall be negotiable. All such debentures shall be dated as of the date of default as determined in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, and shall bear interest from such date at a rate determined by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, at the time the mortgage was accepted for insurance, but not to exceed 3 per centum per annum, payable semiannually on the 1st day of January and the 1st day of July of each year, and shall mature twenty years after the date thereof. Such debentures shall be exempt, both as to principal and interest, from all taxation (except surtaxes, estate, inheritance, and gift taxes) now or hereafter imposed by any Territory, dependency, or possession of the United States or by the District of Columbia, or by any State, county, municipality, or local taxing authority. They shall be paid out of the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance

Debentures.

Tax exemption.

Guaranty.
Fund, which shall be primarily liable therefor, and they shall be fully and unconditionally guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States, and such guaranty shall be expressed on the face of the debentures. In the event the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund fails to pay upon demand, when due, the principal of or interest on any debentures so guaranteed, the Secretary of the Treasury shall pay to the holders the amount thereof which is hereby authorized to be appropriated, and thereupon to the extent of the amount so paid the Secretary of the Treasury shall succeed to all the rights of the holders of such debentures.

"(g) The certificate of claim issued by the Commissioner to any mortgagee in connection with the insurance of mortgages under this title shall be for an amount determined in accordance with subsections (e) and (f) of section 604 of this Act, except that any amount remaining after the payment of the full amount under the certificate of claim shall be retained by the Commissioner and credited to the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund.

"(h) The provisions of section 207 (k) and section 207 (l) of this Act shall be applicable to mortgages insured under this title and to property acquired by the Commissioner hereunder, except that as applied to such mortgages and property (1) all references in such sections to the 'Housing Fund' shall be construed to refer to the 'Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund', and (2) the reference in section 207 (k) to 'subsection (g)' shall be construed to refer to 'subsection (d)' of this section.

"(i) The Commissioner shall also have power to insure under this title or title II any mortgage executed in connection with the sale by him of any property acquired under this title without regard to any limit as to eligibility, time or aggregate amount contained in this title or title II.

"(j) Any contract of insurance executed by the Commissioner under this title shall be conclusive evidence of the eligibility of the mortgage for insurance and the validity of any contract of insurance so executed shall be incontestable in the hands of an approved mortgagee from the date of the execution of such contract, except for fraud or misrepresentation on the part of such approved mortgagee.

"Sec. 804. (a) Moneys in the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund not needed for current operations under this title shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States to the credit of the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund, or invested in bonds or other obligations of, or in bonds or other obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by, the United States. The Commissioner may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, purchase in the open market debentures issued under the provisions of this title. Such purchases shall be made at a price which will provide an investment yield of not less than the yield obtainable from other investments authorized by this section. Debentures so purchased shall be canceled and not reissued.

"(b) Premium charges, adjusted premium charges, and appraisal fees, receipts, and other fees, received on account of the insurance of any mortgage insured under this title, the receipts derived from any such mortgage or claim assigned to the Commissioner and from any property acquired by the Commissioner, and all earnings on the assets of the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund, shall be credited to the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund. The principal of and interest paid and to be paid on debentures issued in exchange for any mortgage or property insured under this title, cash adjustments, and expenses incurred in the handling of such mortgages or property and in the foreclosure and collection of mortgages and
claims assigned to the Commissioner under this title, shall be charged
to the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund.

"Sec. 805. Whenever the Secretary of the Army, Navy, or Air Force
determines that it is necessary to lease any land held by the United
States on or near a military installation to effectuate the purposes
of this title, he may lease such land upon such terms and conditions
as will, in his opinion, best serve the national interest. The authority
conferred by this section shall be in addition to and not in derogation
of any other power or authority of the Secretary of the Army, Navy,
or Air Force.

"Sec. 806. The second sentence of section 214 of the National Hous-
ing Act, as amended, relating to housing in the Territory of Alaska,
shall not apply to mortgages insured under this title on property in
said Territory.

"Sec. 807. The Commissioner is authorized and directed to make
such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the pro-
visions of this title. In the performance of, and with respect to, the
functions, powers, and duties vested in him by this title, the Com-
missioner, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, shall
appoint a Special Assistant for Armed Services Housing for Mort-
gage Insurance, and provide the Special Assistant with adequate staff,
whose whole responsibility will be to expedite operations under this
title and to eliminate administrative obstacles to the full utilization
of this title under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner.

"Sec. 808. The cost certification required under section 227 of this
Act shall not be required with respect to mortgages insured under the
provisions of this title as amended by the Housing Amendments of
1955."

Sec. 402. Section 305 of the National Housing Act, as amended, is
amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

"(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Associ-
ation is authorized to make commitments to purchase and to purchase,
serve, or sell, any mortgage (or participation therein) which is
insured under title VIII of this Act, as amended by the Housing
Amendments of 1955: Provided, That the total amount of purchases
and commitments authorized by this subsection shall not exceed
$200,000,000 outstanding at any one time."

Sec. 409. (a) The Secretary of Defense or his designee is hereby
authorized to enter into contracts with any eligible builder to provide
for the construction of urgently needed housing on lands owned or
leased by the United States and situated on or near a military reserva-
ration or installation for the purpose of providing suitable living accom-
modations for military personnel of the armed services assigned to
duty at the military installation at or in the area where the housing
is situated. Any such contract shall provide that each housing unit
in the project shall be placed under the control of the Secretary of
Defense, or his designee, as soon as the unit is available for occupancy
as determined by the Commissioner. Any such contract shall also
provide that, except for stock held by the Commissioner, the capital
stock of the builder (where the builder is a corporation) be transferred
to the Secretary of Defense, or his designee, when the housing has been
completed as determined by the Commissioner. Any such contract
shall contain such terms and conditions as the Secretary may determine
to be necessary to protect the interests of the United States. Before
the Secretary shall enter into any contract with any builder as author-
ized by this section for the construction of housing, he shall invite the
submission of competitive bids after advertising in the manner pre-
scribed in section 3 of the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947.
(b) For the purposes of this title, the term "eligible builder" means
a person, partnership, firm, or corporation determined by the Secretary after consultation with the Commissioner (1) to be qualified by experience and financial responsibility to construct housing of the type described in subsection (a) of this section, and (2) to have submitted the lowest acceptable bid.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Defense or his designee is authorized to acquire the capital stock of mortgagors holding property covered by a mortgage insured under title VIII of the National Housing Act, as amended by the Housing Amendments of 1955, and to exercise the rights as holder of such capital stock during the life of such mortgage and, upon the termination of the mortgage, to dissolve the corporation; to guarantee the payment of notes or other legal instruments required by the Commissioner of such mortgagors; to make payments thereon; and to guarantee and indemnify the Armed Services Housing Mortgage Insurance Fund against loss in cases where so required. All housing facilities placed under the control of the Secretary of Defense pursuant to the provisions of this title shall be deemed to be housing facilities under the jurisdiction of the military department to which they are assigned.

SEC. 404. Whenever the Secretary of Defense or his designee shall deem it necessary for the purposes of this title, he may acquire by purchase, donation, or other means of transfer, or may cause proceedings to be instituted in any court having jurisdiction of such proceedings to acquire by condemnation, any unimproved land, or (with the approval of the Federal Housing Commissioner) any housing financed with mortgages insured under the provisions of title VIII of the National Housing Act as in effect prior to the enactment of the Housing Amendments of 1955. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the price paid for any such unimproved land or housing purchased by the Secretary under this or any other law shall be the fair market value of such land or housing as determined by the Secretary on the basis of an independent appraisal, and, in connection with any agreements to purchase such housing, the Secretary of Defense or his designee may assume, or purchase subject to, any such mortgage. Any such condemnation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Act of August 1, 1888 (25 Stat. 357), as amended, or any other applicable Federal statute. Before condemnation proceedings are instituted pursuant to this section, an effort shall be made to acquire the property involved by negotiation unless, because of reasonable doubt as to the identity of the owner or owners, because of the large number of persons with whom it would be necessary to negotiate, or for other reasons, the effort to acquire by negotiation would involve, in the judgment of the Secretary, such delay in acquiring the property as to be contrary to the interest of national defense. In any condemnation proceeding instituted pursuant to this section, the court shall not order the party in possession to surrender possession in advance of final judgment unless a declaration of taking has been filed, and a deposit of the amount estimated to be just compensation has been made, under the first section of the Act of February 28, 1921 (46 Stat. 1421), providing for such declarations. Unless title is in dispute, the courts, upon application, shall promptly pay to the owner at least 75 per centum of the amount so deposited, but such payment shall be made without prejudice to any party to the proceeding. Property acquired under this section may be occupied, used, and improved for the purpose of this section prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355 of the Revised Statutes, as amended.

SEC. 405. The Secretary of Defense or his designee is authorized to maintain and operate any housing acquired under this title and
assign quarters therein to military and civilian personnel and their dependents. Appropriations for quarters allowances or appropriate allotments, and rental charges to civilian personnel, may be utilized by the military department concerned for the payment of principal, interest, and other obligations, except those of maintenance and operation, of the mortgagor corporation with respect to such housing projects. Such payments shall not exceed an average of $80 a month per housing unit and total payments for all housing so acquired shall not exceed $9,000,000 per month: Provided, That, in case of the United States Coast Guard, total payments for all housing so acquired shall not exceed $90,000 per month.

Sec. 406. Whenever the Secretary of Defense or his designee determines that it is desirable in order to effectuate the purposes of this title, the Secretary is authorized, without regard to the civil service and classification laws, to procure, by negotiation or otherwise, the services of architects and engineers, or organizations thereof, under such arrangements as he deems desirable, but at an expense not in excess of that permissible under the schedule of fees allowed from time to time by the Public Housing Administration in connection with projects assisted under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended. Such services may include the development of plans, drawings, and specifications for family housing under this title and other services in connection therewith: Provided, That such plans, drawings, and specifications may include the use on any project to be constructed under this title of alternate materials or alternate types of construction, including prefabrication, that provide substantially equal value and conform to standards established by the Federal Housing Commissioner: Provided further, That the Secretary may designate certain sites or parts thereof for family housing to be furnished from prefabricated houses or housing components. Such arrangements may include provision for advance or progress payments, for payment by third parties, for payment by the Government of any such compensation as is not paid by third parties, and shall include provision for reimbursement by third parties to the Government of any compensation or other expenses paid by the Government pursuant to this section, and may include other provisions for compensation.

Any public works appropriations now or hereafter available to the Departments of the Army, Navy, or Air Force or the Coast Guard may be obligated by the respective departments or the Coast Guard for these purposes. Reimbursements to the Government on account of payments made pursuant to this section shall be made to appropriations against which such payments were charged. The Secretary is further authorized to advance or pay to the Federal Housing Administration its “Appraisal and Eligibility Statement” fees in connection with such family housing. The Secretary is further authorized to enter into arrangements by contract or otherwise for eventual acquisition by the Government, without cost to the Government of all right, title, and interest in sites on which housing is constructed pursuant to this title and improvements thereon.

Sec. 407. (a) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 403 through 406 of this Act.

(b) Any funds heretofore or hereafter authorized to be expended by any of the military departments or the Coast Guard for the payment of allowances for quarters for military personnel may be used for the purposes specified in subsection (a) above.

Sec. 408. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 401 of this Act, the provisions of title VII of the National Housing Act in effect prior to the enactment of the Housing Amendments of 1955 shall
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continue in full force and effect with respect to all mortgages insured pursuant to a certification by the Secretary of Defense or his designee made on or before June 30, 1955, and a commitment to insure issued on or before June 30, 1956 or pursuant to a certification by the Atomic Energy Commission or its designee made on or before June 30, 1956, except that the maximum dollar amount for each such mortgage shall be $12,500,000.

Sec. 409. (a) Wherever the terms “Secretary of Defense” or “Secretary” or “Secretary of the Army, Navy, or Air Force” appear in this title or in title VIII of the National Housing Act, as amended by the Housing Amendments of 1955, they shall be deemed to mean the Secretary of the Treasury in the case of the application of the provisions of this title or of title VIII of the National Housing Act, as amended by the Housing Amendments of 1955, for the benefit of the United States Coast Guard.

(b) Wherever the term “armed services” appears in this title it shall be deemed to include the United States Coast Guard.

TITLE V—FARM HOUSING

Sec. 501. Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

(1) In the first sentence of section 511 immediately following the phrase “July 1, 1953” strike out the word “and” and insert at the end of the sentence immediately before the period a comma and the following: “and an additional $100,000,000 on and after July 1, 1955”.

(2) In section 512, (A) strike out “and 1954” and insert “1954, and 1955”, and (B) strike out “and $2,000,000” and insert “$2,000,000 and $2,000,000”.

(3) In section 513, strike out “and $10,000,000 on July 1 of each of the years 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, and 1954” and insert “$10,000,000, and $10,000,000 on July 1 of each of the years 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, and 1955”.

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AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to negotiate and enter into a compact providing for the apportionment of the waters of the Red River and its tributaries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to negotiate and enter into a compact providing for an equitable apportionment among them of the waters of the Red River and its tributaries, upon the condition that one qualified person appointed by the President of the United States shall participate in such negotiations as chairman, without vote, representing the United States, and shall make a report to the President of the United States and the Congress of the proceedings and of any compact entered into. Such compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon any of the parties thereto until it shall have been ratified by the legislatures of each of the respective States, and approved by the Congress of the United States.

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AN ACT  
To provide for retirement of the Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration; to increase borrower participation in the management and control of the Federal Farm Credit System; and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Farm Credit Act of 1955".

TITLE I—BANKS FOR COOPERATIVES

Sec. 101. Section 42 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 42. (a) Classes of Stock; Ownership; Voting Rights; Dividends; and Retirement of Stock.—Except as provided in section 111 of the Farm Credit Act of 1955, each regional bank for cooperatives shall have the following classes of stock, all of which shall have a par value of $100 per share:

"(1) Class A stock shall be issued to and held by the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration on behalf of the United States, and stock of such banks held by the Governor on the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 shall be exchanged, share for share, for class A stock of the respective banks. Class A stock shall be nonvoting and no dividends shall be paid thereon. At the end of each fiscal year, each of such banks, subject to the provisions of sections 33 and 40, shall determine the amount of class A stock that shall be retired at par by that bank. The minimum amount of class A stock that shall be retired shall be the equivalent in dollar value of the amount of class C stock issued for that year, except that class C stock issued by a regional bank on account of class C stock issued to it by the central bank, class C stock issued by a regional bank in exchange for class B stock the proceeds of which were used to retire an equivalent amount of class A stock, and class C stock issued by a regional bank in exchange for capital stock of the bank outstanding on the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955, shall not be included in such bank's calculation. Any amount of class A stock retired in excess of such minimum amount in one year may be used to reduce to that extent the amount of such stock required to be retired in any subsequent year. Funds from the retirement of class A stock shall be paid into the revolving fund authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act, as amended, and shall continue to be available for the purchase of class A stock in the banks in accordance with sections 33 and 40.

"(2) Class B stock may be issued in series and amounts approved by the Farm Credit Administration, and may be sold or transferred to any person subject to the approval of the issuing bank. Such stock shall be issued only at par and shall be nonvoting. Any bank may pay dividends of not to exceed 4 per centum per annum on class B stock if declared by the board of directors and approved by the Farm Credit Administration and if the surplus account of the bank, after payment of such dividends, will not be less than 25 per centum of the sum of all its outstanding capital stock. Dividends on class B stock shall not be cumulative, but no bank shall distribute in any year any of its net savings as patronage refunds as provided in section 36 (a) unless for that year a dividend of at least 2 per centum is declared and paid upon outstanding class B stock of the bank. Each series of class B stock shall be issued only with the approval of the
Farm Credit Administration and shall carry on the face of each certificate a statement of the maximum dividend which may be declared and paid thereon and of the minimum dividend which shall be declared and paid thereon before the bank may distribute any of its net savings as patronage refunds: Provided, That such maximum and minimum dividends may be the same amount. After all class A stock has been retired, class B stock may be called for retirement at par with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration and shall be called in such manner that the oldest outstanding stock at any given time will be retired first. Any holder of class B stock whose stock has been called for retirement may elect, with the approval of the issuing bank, to leave his stock in the bank subject to its being included in the next call for retirement.

"(3) Class C stock, except as approved by the Farm Credit Administration and consented to by the issuing bank, may be issued only to banks for cooperatives and farmers' cooperative associations as defined in section 15 (a) of the Agricultural Marketing Act, as amended. Such stock may be issued in fractional shares, shall be issued at its fair book value not exceeding par, as determined by the bank, and no dividends shall be paid on it. Each holder of one or more shares of class C stock which is eligible to borrow from a bank for cooperatives shall be entitled to one vote only: Provided, That any such holder which within the period of two years next preceding a date, fixed by the Farm Credit Administration, prior to commencement of the voting has not been a borrower from a bank of which it holds class C stock shall not be entitled to vote. From time to time each bank for cooperatives shall obtain information concerning its class C stockholders to determine whether they continue to be eligible to borrow from the bank and to vote. Any class C stockholder found by the bank to be ineligible to borrow shall not be entitled to vote until its eligibility is reestablished to the satisfaction of the bank. Whenever in section 5 of the Farm Credit Act of 1937, as amended, and section 4 (a) of the Farm Credit Act of 1953, provision is made for a nomination or election by cooperatives which are stockholders or subscribers to the guaranty fund of any bank for cooperatives the term 'cooperatives which are stockholders or subscribers to the guaranty fund' or the equivalent of that term means such cooperatives which are eligible to vote. Each borrower from a bank for cooperatives shall be required to own at the time the loan is made at least one share of class C stock. The purchase price of such stock may be retained out of the loan. In addition, each borrower as defined by the Farm Credit Administration for purposes of this sentence, shall be required to invest quarterly in class C stock an amount equal to not less than 10 nor more than 25 per centum, as prescribed by the board of directors of the bank with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration, of the amount of interest payable by it to the bank during the calendar quarter. Payments for such stock shall be made quarterly or when the regular interest payments of the borrower are payable, but the stock shall be issued to the borrower as of the end of each fiscal year in the amount of the payments for stock made by it during the year. Each regional bank shall purchase at least one share of class C stock of the central bank. In addition, the regional bank shall be required to invest quarterly in class C stock of the central bank an amount equal to not less than 10 nor more than 25 per centum, as prescribed by the board of directors of the central bank with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration, of the amount of interest payable by the regional bank to the central bank during the calendar quarter by reason of any interest purchased by the central bank in a loan made by the regional bank. Payments for such stock shall be made to the central bank and the stock shall be issued to
the regional bank in the same manner, insofar as practicable, as is provided in this section for payments for and issuance of stock on account of loans by the regional bank in which the central bank does not purchase any interest. Subject to rules prescribed by the board of directors of the lending bank with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration a borrower may convert class B stock into class C stock for the purpose of making the investment in class C stock required by this paragraph. After retirement of all class A stock, class C stock also may be retired at par by calling the oldest outstanding class C stock, but class C stock that was issued for a fiscal year period shall not be called for retirement until all class B stock that was issued during or prior to that fiscal year has been called for retirement.

"(b) Guaranty Fund Subscriptions in Lieu of Stock.—If a cooperative association is not authorized under the laws of the State in which it is organized to take stock in the bank, the bank shall, in lieu thereof, require the association to pay into or have on deposit in a guaranty fund of the bank, or the bank may retain out of the amount of the loan and credit to the guaranty fund, a sum equal to the amount of class C stock which the association would otherwise be required by subsection (a) (3) of this section to own at the time the loan is made and to purchase thereafter. Any such association may make additional payments into the guaranty fund from time to time in lieu of the purchase of class B stock, and shall receive credits to such fund in lieu of patronage refunds payable in class C stock. Each reference in this Act to capital stock or class B or class C stock shall include also the guaranty fund equivalents of such stock, and, to the extent permitted under the laws of a State in which a cooperative association is organized, a holder of guaranty fund equivalents of either class B or class C stock shall have the same rights and status as a holder of class B or class C stock, respectively. The rights and obligations of the bank as respects such guaranty fund equivalents shall be identical to its rights and obligations as respects class B or class C stock, respectively.

"(c) Lien on Stock.—Except as hereinafter provided in the case of an association which is a direct borrower from the central bank, each bank for cooperatives shall have a first lien on all stock in the bank owned by each cooperative association as additional collateral for any indebtedness of such association to the bank. In the case of an association which is a direct borrower from the central bank, the central bank shall have a first lien on any amount of class C stock which the borrowing association owns in any regional bank on account of direct loans of such association from the central bank; and the regional bank shall have a lien on such stock junior only to the lien of the central bank. In any case where the debt of a borrower is in default, the bank may, in accordance with regulations of the Farm Credit Administration, retire and cancel all or a part of the stock of the defaulting borrower at the fair book value thereof, not exceeding par, in total or partial liquidation of the debt, as the case may be, and, to the extent required, corresponding shares held by a regional bank in the central bank shall be retired.

"(d) Calculation of Proportionate Interests in Banks.—For the purpose of determining pursuant to section 5 (d) (2) (C) of the Farm Credit Act of 1937, as amended, the amount of the capital stock and subscriptions to the guaranty fund of a regional bank for cooperatives held by cooperatives the term 'capital stock and subscriptions to the guaranty fund held by cooperatives' or the equivalent of that term shall also mean all outstanding class B and class C stock and the guaranty fund equivalents thereof.
SEC. 102. Section 35 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 35. APPLICATION OF REGIONAL BANK STOCK PROVISIONS TO CENTRAL BANK.—All provisions of law with respect to class A, class B, and class C stock in the regional banks for cooperatives shall apply to the Central Bank for Cooperatives except as they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this section. Each borrower from the central bank shall be required to own at the time the loan is made at least one share of class C stock in such regional bank as the Farm Credit Administration shall designate and shall be required to invest quarterly in class C stock in such regional bank or banks as the Farm Credit Administration shall designate an amount equal to not less than 10 nor more than 25 per centum, as prescribed by the board of directors of the central bank with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration, of the amount of interest payable by such borrower to the central bank during the calendar quarter. Payments for such stock shall be made quarterly or when the regular interest payments of such borrower are payable; but the stock shall be issued to the borrower as of the end of each fiscal year in the amount of the payments for stock made by it during such year. The regional bank whose stock is so issued to such borrower shall purchase a corresponding amount of class C stock in the central bank."

SEC. 103. (a) Section 36 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 36. (a) APPLICATION OF SAVINGS.—Each bank for cooperatives, at the end of each fiscal year, shall determine the amount of its net savings after paying or providing for all operating expenses (including reasonable valuation reserves and losses in excess of any such applicable reserves) and shall apply such savings as follows:

1. To the restoration of the amount of the impairment, if any, of capital stock, as determined by its board of directors;
2. 25 per centum of any remaining savings shall be used to create and maintain a surplus account;
3. if said bank shall have outstanding capital stock held by the United States during the whole or any part of the fiscal year, it shall next pay to the United States as a franchise tax, a sum equal to 25 per centum of its net savings then remaining, not exceeding, however, a rate of return on such Government capital calculated at a rate equal to the computed average annual rate of interest on all public issues of public debt obligations of the United States issued during the fiscal year ending next before such tax is due, as certified to the Farm Credit Administration by the Secretary of the Treasury;
4. reasonable contingency reserves may be established;
5. dividends on class B stock may be declared as provided in section 42 (a) (2); and
6. any remaining net savings shall be distributed as patronage refunds as provided in subsection (b) of this section: Provided, That any patronage refunds received by a regional bank from the central bank shall be excluded from net savings of the regional bank for the purpose of computing such franchise tax. Amounts applied as provided in (2) and (4) above after the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 shall be allocated on a patronage basis approved by the Farm Credit Administration. At the end of any fiscal year, any portion of the reserve established under (4) above which is no longer deemed necessary shall be transferred to the surplus account and, if the surplus account of any such bank for cooperatives exceeds 25 per centum of the sum of all its outstanding capital stock, the bank may distribute in the same manner as a patronage refund any part or all of such excess which has been allocated: Provided, That any surplus and contingency reserves shown on the books of the banks as of the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 shall not be distributed as patronage refunds."
In making such distributions, the oldest outstanding allocations shall be distributed first. Wherever used in this Act, the words ‘surplus account’ as applied to any bank for cooperatives shall mean any surpluses and contingency reserves shown on the books of the banks as of the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 and any amounts applied as provided in (2) above after the effective date of said title I. Said surplus account shall be divided to show the amounts thereof subject to allocation as provided in this section and may be further subdivided as prescribed by the Farm Credit Administration. In the event of a net loss in any fiscal year after providing for all operating expenses (including reasonable valuation reserves and losses in excess of any such applicable reserves), such loss shall be absorbed by: first, charges to allocated contingency reserves; second, charges to allocated surplus; third, charges to other contingency reserves and surplus; fourth, the impairment of class C stock; and fifth, the impairment of all other stock.

“(b) PATRONAGE REFUNDS.—The patronage refunds of each regional bank for cooperatives shall be paid in class C stock to borrowers, as defined by the Farm Credit Administration for the purposes of this subsection, during the fiscal year for which the refunds are declared. Patronage refunds of the Central Bank for Cooperatives shall be paid in class C stock to the regional banks for cooperatives upon the basis of interests held by the central bank in loans made by the regional banks and upon direct loans made by the central bank to cooperative associations; and any part of such refunds derived from such direct loans of the central bank shall be paid in class C stock issued to the regional bank or banks which issued to the borrower the stock incident to the loans, or to a regional bank or banks designated by the Farm Credit Administration, and such bank or banks shall issue a like amount of class C stock to the borrowers. All patronage refunds shall be paid in the proportion that the amount of interest earned on the loans of each borrower bears to the total interest earned on the loans of all borrowers during the fiscal year.

“(c) APPLICATION OF ASSETS ON LIQUIDATION OR DISSOLUTION.—In the case of liquidation or dissolution of any bank for cooperatives, after the payment or retirement, as the case may be, of all liabilities; second, of all capital stock issued before the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 held by cooperative associations at par, all class A stock at par, and all class B stock at par; and third, of all class C stock at par; any surpluses and contingency reserves existing on the effective date of said title I shall be paid to the holders of outstanding capital stock issued before the effective date of said title I, class A stock and class C stock pro rata, and any remaining surplus and contingency reserves shall be distributed to those entities to which they are allocated on the books of the bank. If it should become necessary to use any surplus or contingency reserves to pay any liabilities or to retire any capital stock, allocated contingency reserves and surplus shall be exhausted first in accordance with rules prescribed by the Farm Credit Administration.”

(b) For purposes of applying the amendment in subsection (a) of this section, that part of the fiscal year 1956 preceding the effective date of title I of this Act and that part of such year following said effective date shall be deemed to be separate fiscal years.

Sec. 104. Section 31 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 31. Board of Directors of Central Bank.—The Central Bank for Cooperatives shall have seven directors. Of this number four shall be appointed by the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, by and with the advice and consent of the Federal Farm
Credit Board, and three shall be elected by the regional banks for cooperatives and cooperative associations: Provided, That the terms of office of directors established prior to the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 shall continue through the thirty-first day of December next following the effective date of said title I and shall expire at the end of that day. Three of the directors appointed by the Farm Credit Administration shall be appointed for terms of one year, two years, and three years, respectively, as designated at the time of appointment and the fourth appointed director shall be appointed for a term of three years and thereafter each appointed director shall be appointed for a term of three years. Any appointed director may be removed at pleasure at any time by the Farm Credit Administration. The Farm Credit Administration shall prescribe rules and regulations for the nominations and elections required by this section. Sufficiently in advance of the first day of January next following the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955, and at any time subsequent to the enactment thereof, the Farm Credit Administration shall take all action necessary in order to permit the elections hereby provided and shall group the several farm credit districts into three areas, each of which shall be comprised of four contiguous farm credit districts, and a director shall be elected from nominees from each of such areas by regional banks for cooperatives of the area and cooperative associations of the area eligible to vote. The three elected directors shall be elected for terms of one year, two years, and three years, respectively, as shall be designated by the Farm Credit Administration and thereafter elected directors shall be elected for terms of three years: Provided, That whenever, as determined by the Farm Credit Administration, the sum of the capital stock and subscriptions to the guaranty fund of the central bank held by persons other than the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration on behalf of the United States and surplus and reserve accounts of said bank shall equal or exceed $6 2/3 per centum of the total capital stock, subscriptions to the guaranty fund and surplus and reserve accounts of said bank as of the date six months before the expiration of the term of office of any appointed director, except the fourth appointed director, whose term next expires, the successor to such director shall be elected from nominees for a term of three years by regional banks for cooperatives of the area and cooperative associations of the area eligible to vote on a basis of areas comprised of two contiguous farm credit districts as designated by the Farm Credit Administration. Appointed directors except the fourth appointed director shall continue to be replaced by elected directors in accordance with the foregoing provisions until the total number of elected directors shall be six, elected one from each of six such areas comprised of two contiguous farm credit districts. Whenever, as determined by the Farm Credit Administration, the sum of the capital stock and subscriptions to the guaranty fund of the central bank held by persons other than the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration on behalf of the United States and surplus and reserve accounts of said bank shall not equal or exceed $6 2/3 per centum of the total capital stock, subscriptions to the guaranty fund and surplus and reserve accounts of the banks as of the date six months before the expiration of the term of office of any elected director whose term next expires, the successor to such elected director shall, if the number of elected directors then exceeds three, be appointed by the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration by and with the advice and consent of the Federal Farm Credit Board for a term of three years. In any such case where only one additional appointed director is needed in order to increase
the total number of appointed directors to four, and the terms of office of more than one elected director next expire, the Farm Credit Administration shall designate the one of such next expiring terms of office which shall be replaced by the additional appointed director. Any vacancy in the Board whether filled by appointment or by election shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner in which the vacant office was filled. Each regional bank for cooperatives, each cooperative association which is a direct borrower from the central bank, each holder of one or more shares of class C stock in a regional bank for cooperatives which is eligible to vote under section 42 (a) (3), and each holder of one or more shares of stock in the central bank or any regional bank for cooperatives issued before the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 which is eligible to vote shall be eligible to vote for directors of the central bank and each such holder shall be entitled to one vote only without regard to the number of shares held in any one or more of said banks, and the vote of any such holder of stock in more than one bank shall be cast only with respect to elections in the area in which is located the main office of such holder. Elected directors shall have been, for at least two years, residents of the area for which they are elected. No person shall be eligible for nomination, election, or appointment as a director if such person has within one year next preceding the commencement of the term been a salaried officer or employee of the Farm Credit Administration or of any corporation operating under its supervision. Any person who is a member of the Federal Farm Credit Board or a district farm credit board when appointed or elected as director shall resign as a member of the Federal Farm Credit Board or the district board before assuming his duties as director of the central bank. No person who becomes such director shall be eligible to continue to serve if he becomes a member of the Federal Farm Credit Board or any district farm credit board or an officer or employee of the Farm Credit Administration or an officer or employee of any corporation operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration.

Sec. 105. Section 32 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 32. POWERS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CENTRAL BANK.—The Board of Directors of the Central Bank for Cooperatives shall elect a Chairman and a Vice Chairman from among its members. The powers of the Board of Directors shall be such powers as may be prescribed in the charter and bylaws with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration: Provided, That said Board without limitation of powers conferred by section 60 shall have power, subject to approval of the Farm Credit Administration, to appoint and fix the compensation of the chief executive officer and such other officers and employees, experts, and consultants as may be necessary for the efficient conduct of the bank's business: Provided further, That the chief executive officer of the bank shall not be an officer or employee of the Farm Credit Administration."

Sec. 106. Section 38 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended by adding at the end of said section the following new sentence:

"After the effective date of title I of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 any amendment in the terms of the charter issued to any bank for cooperatives and any regulation issued under authority of this section or otherwise affecting lending operations of any such bank shall be consistent with the principle that the central bank shall make loans only in cases where it is not practicable for the loan to be made by a regional bank."
[12 USC 1134(c), 1134(i), 1134(j), 1138(e), 1138(f), 665, 636(f).

Prior loans, applicability of title, etc.

12 USC 1134(c), 1141d.

Effective date.

SEC. 107. Section 41 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended, is amended by adding a new paragraph as follows:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any officer or employee of the Farm Credit Administration or of any bank for cooperatives designated to act as custodian of collateral securing loans made by any such bank to any cooperative association eligible to borrow therefrom may, in accordance with regulations of the Farm Credit Administration, act at the same time as custodian of collateral securing loans made by any other lenders to any cooperative association eligible to borrow from any such bank."

SEC. 108. (a) Section 32 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended by striking the words "Chairman of the Board" in the last sentence of said section and substituting in lieu thereof the words "Board of Directors".

(b) Section 34 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended, is amended by striking the words "Chairman of its Board of Directors" in the first paragraph of said section and substituting in lieu thereof the words "Farm Credit Administration".

SEC. 109. Subsection (a) of section 8 of the Agricultural Marketing Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(a) Loans to cooperative associations made by any bank for cooperatives shall bear such rates of interest as the board of directors of the bank shall from time to time determine with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration, but in no case shall the rate of interest exceed 6 per centum per annum on the unpaid principal of a loan."

SEC. 110. (a) Section 63 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended by striking the word "regional" in the first sentence of said section.

(b) Section 66 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended, is hereby repealed.

(c) The second sentence of section 7 (a) of the Farm Credit Act of 1953 is hereby repealed.

(d) Section 6 of the Act approved January 23, 1932 (47 Stat. 14), is amended by adding immediately following the comma after the word "Act" where it first appears the following: "the Farm Credit Act of 1933".

SEC. 111. This title shall be applicable to loans made before its effective date from the date on which they may be changed by agreement to conform hereto, otherwise, except as provided in this title, such loans shall be treated as though this title had not been enacted. Any cooperative association owning capital stock or guaranty fund credits in any bank for cooperatives issued before the effective date of this title which is eligible to vote shall, as long as such eligibility continues, be entitled to vote to the same extent as a holder of class C stock which is eligible to vote; any cooperative association owning such stock or guaranty fund credits shall be entitled to have such stock or credits retired as though this title had not been enacted; and any such association may with the consent of the bank have such stock or credits, if it is found eligible to own class B or class C stock, converted in whole or in part into class B or class C stock or equivalent guaranty fund credits: Provided, That any bank for cooperatives with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration may retire at any time capital stock or guaranty fund credits issued before the effective date of this title held by any cooperative association and may hold the proceeds of such retired stock or guaranty fund credits as security for any indebtedness of the association to the bank.

SEC. 112. This title shall take effect on the first day of the month next following one hundred and twenty days after its enactment.
SEC. 201. Section 21 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended by striking out of the fifth sentence the words "all stock shall share in dividend distributions without preference" and substituting therefor the words "Dividends may be paid on class A and class B stock without preference or on class A stock alone, as the board of directors of the association may determine".

SEC. 202. Section 22 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended to read as follows:

"(a) Each production credit association shall, at the end of each fiscal year, apply the amount of its earnings in excess of operating expenses (including provision for reasonable valuation reserves) during such fiscal year, first, to the restoration of the impairment, if any, of capital; and, second, to the establishment and maintenance of a surplus account, the minimum amount of which shall be prescribed by the production credit corporation.

"(b) A production credit association may pay dividends of not to exceed 7 per centum per annum when such payments are approved by the production credit corporation of the district and are consistent with policies established under regulations issued by the Farm Credit Administration."

SEC. 203. The amounts in the guaranty fund reserve and the reserve account for bad and doubtful debts of each production credit association shall, as of the effective date of this title, be transferred to the surplus account of such association established pursuant to the provisions of section 22 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 as amended by section 202 of this title.

SEC. 204. Section 23 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is amended to read as follows:

"Each production credit association shall, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the production credit corporation of the district with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration, invest its funds and make loans to farmers for general agricultural purposes. Such loans shall be made on such terms and conditions, at such rates of interest, and with such security as may be prescribed by the corporation. No borrower shall be indebted to the association at any one time in an amount in excess of 15 per centum of the capital and surplus of the association unless the loan has the prior approval of the corporation, or in excess of 33 per centum of the capital and surplus of the association unless the loan also has the prior approval of the Farm Credit Administration. Borrowers shall be required to own, at the time the loan is made, class B stock of the association in an amount equal in fair book value (not to exceed par), as determined by the association, to $5 per $100 or fraction thereof of the amount of the loan. Such stock shall not be canceled or retired upon payment of the loan but may be transferred or exchanged as provided in section 21 of this Act."

SEC. 205. The last sentence of section 63 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933 is hereby amended to read as follows: "The exemption provided herein shall not apply with respect to any production credit association or its property or income after the class A stock held in it by the production credit corporation has been retired, or with respect to the Central Bank for Cooperatives, or any production credit corporation or bank for cooperatives, or its property or income after the stock held in it by the United States has been retired."
TITLE III—FEDERAL LAND BANK SYSTEM

Sec. 301. Sections 3, 7, and 8 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, are amended—

(a) by changing next to the last paragraph of section 3 to read as follows: "The Farm Credit Administration shall prescribe a form for the statement of condition of national farm loan associations and land banks under its supervision, which shall be filled out by each such association or bank and transmitted to said administration as required by it."

(b) by changing the fifth sentence of the fourth paragraph of section 7 to read as follows: "He shall make a report to the Farm Credit Administration as required by it upon forms to be provided for that purpose."; and

(c) by deleting the last sentence of section 8.

Sec. 302. The last paragraph of section 5 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 303. Section 10 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph as follows: "Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, subject to the approval of the Farm Credit Administration, the investigation and the written report or reports on the value of the security offered for a Federal land bank loan, which otherwise are required by this section to be made by land bank appraisers appointed under the authority of section 3 of this Act, may be made, in accordance with appraisal standards prescribed by the Farm Credit Administration, by any person (including a person who is secretary-treasurer of a national farm loan association) designated so to do by the Federal land bank of the district; a Federal land bank is authorized to make a loan, if otherwise authorized, on the basis of such an investigation and report by a person so designated; and a loan so made shall be eligible as collateral for farm loan bonds under section 19 of this Act, if otherwise qualified thereunder: Provided, That, within one year, the land bank shall obtain a written report on the security for the loan by a land bank appraiser appointed under section 3 of this Act, in terms and form prescribed by the Farm Credit Administration, and such a loan shall be eligible as collateral for farm loan bonds thereafter only if such report by a land bank appraiser establishes that the security meets the standards prescribed by the Farm Credit Administration for a land bank loan, and in no event shall any such loan thereafter be carried as such collateral for bonds at more than 65 per centum of the normal value of the security as determined by such land bank appraiser. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this paragraph, all provisions of this Act relating to loans made through national farm loan associations shall, insofar as applicable, apply with respect to loans made on such investigations and written reports by such designated persons."

Sec. 304. Section 12 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, is amended—

(a) by changing paragraph "Fourth" to read as follows: "Such loans may be made for general agricultural purposes and other requirements of the owner of the land mortgaged, under rules and regulations of the Farm Credit Administration."

(b) by striking out the period at the end of the second sentence of paragraph "Fifth" and adding the following: "; and, consistent with community standards, the appraisal may also reflect home advantages, and the availability to a typical operator of the property of earnings from other dependable sources to supplement the normal earning power of the farm.";
(c) by striking out "the raising of livestock" wherever it appears in next to the last sentence of paragraph "Sixth" and substituting therefor "farming operations" and by striking out of such sentence "Land Bank Commissioner" and substituting therefor "Farm Credit Administration"; and

(d) by striking out "$100,000" from paragraph "Seventh" and substituting therefor "$200,000" and by striking out of such sentence "but loans to any one borrower shall not exceed $25,000 unless approved by the Land Bank Commissioner," and substituting "but loans to any one borrower shall not exceed $100,000 unless approved by the Farm Credit Administration."

Sec. 305. Paragraph "Nineteenth" of section 13 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence as follows: "Such a deferment may be permitted for other purposes for a period not exceeding five years under regulations prescribed by the Farm Credit Administration."

Sec. 306. (a) That part of section 23 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, which precedes the last paragraph, is amended to read as follows: "Every Federal land bank shall semiannually carry to reserve account a sum not less than 50 per centum of its net earnings until said reserve account shall show a credit balance equal to the outstanding capital stock of said land bank. After said reserve is equal to the outstanding capital stock 10 per centum of the net earnings shall be added thereto semiannually until said reserve account shall show a credit balance equal to 150 per centum of the outstanding capital stock of said land bank, and any land bank having a credit balance in said reserve account in excess of 150 per centum of its outstanding capital stock may withdraw such excess from said reserve account with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration. Whenever said reserve shall have been impaired it shall be fully restored before any dividends are paid.

"After deducting the 50 per centum or the 10 per centum hereinbefore directed to be deducted for credit to reserve account, any Federal land bank may declare a dividend or dividends to shareholders of the whole or any part of the balance of its net earnings, but only with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration.

"The reserves of land banks shall be invested in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Farm Credit Administration."

(b) The second sentence of section 24 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, is amended by striking out the period at the end thereof and adding the following: "until said reserve account shall show a credit balance equal to 50 per centum of the outstanding capital stock of said association, and any association having a credit balance in said reserve account in excess of 50 per centum of its outstanding capital stock may withdraw such excess from said reserve account with the approval of the Farm Credit Administration."

(c) The amendments made by (a) and (b) of this section shall become effective on the next January 1, or July 1 whichever first succeeds enactment hereof.

Sec. 307. Section 601 (a) of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944 is amended by inserting after "Federal land banks," the second time it appears therein, "national farm loan associations,"; by striking out "joint-stock land banks," wherever it appears therein; and by striking out the period at the end thereof and inserting "except that the amounts apportioned to national farm loan associations shall be assessed against and collected from the Federal land bank of the district which may in turn collect such amounts from the associations in a manner approved by the Farm Credit Administration."
TITLE IV—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. (a) Section 5 (b) of the Farm Credit Act of 1937, as amended, is amended by changing the sixth sentence thereof to read as follows: "After the date of enactment of the Farm Credit Act of 1955, no person shall be eligible for election or appointment to membership on said Board if such person has within one year next preceding the commencement of the term been a salaried officer or employee of the Farm Credit Administration, or a salaried officer or employee of any corporation operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration."

(b) Section 5 (d) of the Farm Credit Act of 1937, as amended, is amended—

(1) by substituting "six months" for "three months" wherever it occurs in paragraph (2) thereof; and

(2) by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph as follows:

"(4) As directed by the Farm Credit Administration, the election of a director under section 5 (d) (2) by any group may be begun any time within six months before the expiration of the term of office to which the director is to succeed, subject to the required determination being made as of the date six months before the expiration of such term of office that a director so elected by such group is to serve in lieu of a district director (or third district director)."

SEC. 402. Section 4 of the Farm Credit Act of 1953 is amended—

(a) by inserting in the first proviso in subsection (a) "all persons so tied shall be considered designated as nominees" in lieu of "the procedure prescribed therein shall be followed again until the tie is broken";

(b) by inserting before the period at the end of the second sentence of subsection (b) "; except that one full term of six years shall be considered to include an additional four months if the particular term is one which was legally extended for an additional four months"; and

(c) by adding the following additional sentence at the end of subsection (c): "All terms of office which otherwise would expire on November 30 of any year following enactment of the Farm Credit Act of 1955 are extended four months to expire on the following March 31 so that the term of office of all successors to the terms so extended shall begin with the first day of April."

SEC. 403. (a) If any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of the Act, and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

(b) The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

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belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma of one-half degree or more Indian blood, which period was extended to April 26, 1956, by the Act of May 10, 1928 (45 Stat. 495), is hereby extended for the lives of the Indians who own such lands subject to such restrictions on the date of this Act.

Sec. 2. (a) Any Indian of the Five Civilized Tribes may apply to the Secretary of the Interior for an order removing restrictions. Within ninety days from the date of the application, the Secretary shall either issue the order or disapprove the application. The order shall be issued if in the judgment of the Secretary the applicant has sufficient ability, knowledge, experience, and judgment to enable him, or her, to manage his, or her, business affairs, including the administration, use, investment, and disposition of any property turned over to such person and the income or proceeds therefrom, with such reasonable degree of prudence and wisdom as will be apt to prevent him, or her, from losing such property or the benefits thereof.

(b) The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to issue, without application, to any Indian of the Five Civilized Tribes, who in the judgment of the Secretary is able to manage his, or her, own affairs, in accordance with the standard specified in subsection (a) of this section, an order removing restrictions that will become effective six months after notice of the order is given to such Indian, unless it is set aside by a county court in accordance with proceedings initiated prior to such time pursuant to subsection (c) of this section. The timely initiation of such proceedings shall stay the effective date of an order until the proceedings are concluded. When the Secretary issues an order pursuant to this subsection, he shall notify the board of county commissioners for the county in which the Indian resides.

(c) If the Secretary of the Interior disapproves, or fails either to approve or disapprove, an application within the ninety-day period prescribed in subsection (a) of this section, the Indian affected may apply to the county court for the county in which he, or she, resides for an order removing restrictions. If the Secretary issues an order removing restrictions without application therefor in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, either the Indian affected or the board of county commissioners may apply to the county court for the county in which the Indian resides for an order setting aside such order. The court shall set a hearing date not less than thirty days from the day it receives the application, and, under rules adopted by the court, notify the board of county commissioners, the welfare departments of the State and county governments, the local representative of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and any other persons the court considers appropriate. At the hearing the court shall examine the Indian and may require the persons who appear before the court to give testimony in the matter of the ability of the Indian to manage his, or her, own affairs. The Secretary of the Interior, and the attorney for the county in which such court is located, shall be given an opportunity to appear at such hearings and to participate in the examination of the Indian and other witnesses. The evidence taken at the hearing shall be transcribed and filed of record in the case. In determining capability, the court shall apply the standard specified in subsection (a) of this section with respect to determinations by the Secretary. If the court finds that the Indian is able to manage his, or her, own affairs, it shall issue an order removing restrictions or deny the application for an order to set aside an order of the Secretary issued without application therefor, as the case

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may be. If the court does not find that the Indian is able to manage his, or her, own affairs, it shall deny the application for an order removing restrictions, or set aside an order of the Secretary issued without application therefor, as the case may be. The court shall furnish to the Secretary and to the applicant one certified copy of any final order issued by it. Any final order of the court shall be subject to appeal by the applicant, by the Secretary, or by the board of county commissioners in accordance with the probate laws of the State of Oklahoma, except that no appeal bond shall be required in an appeal by the Secretary.

(d) When an order removing restrictions becomes effective, the Secretary shall cause to be turned over to the applicant full ownership and control of any money and property that is held in trust for him or that is held subject to a restriction against alienation imposed by the United States, issuing, in the case of land, such title document as may be appropriate: Provided, That the Secretary may make such provisions as he deems necessary to insure payment of money loaned to any such Indian by the Federal Government or by an Indian tribe: Provided further, That nothing herein contained shall abrogate the interest of any lessee or permittee in any lease, contract, or permit that is outstanding when an order removing restrictions becomes effective.

Sec. 3. Section 23 of the Act of April 26, 1906 (34 Stat. 137), as amended by section 8 of the Act of May 27, 1908 (35 Stat. 312), which expires on April 26, 1956, is continued in force with respect to the restricted properties of Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes as long as such properties remain restricted.

Sec. 4. Except as provided in section 2 of this Act, nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal or to limit the application of the Act of August 4, 1947 (61 Stat. 731), the provisions of which shall continue in effect until otherwise provided by Congress.

Sec. 5. Any existing exemption from taxation that constitutes a vested property right shall continue in force and effect until it terminates by virtue of its own limitations.

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To provide for the participation of the United States in the International Finance Corporation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the “International Finance Corporation Act”.

SEC. 2. The President is hereby authorized to accept membership for the United States in the International Finance Corporation (hereinafter referred to as the “Corporation”), provided for by the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation deposited in the archives of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

SEC. 3. The governor and executive director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and the alternate for each of them, appointed under section 3 of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act, as amended (22 U. S. C. 286a), shall serve as governor, director and alternates, respectively, of the Corporation.

SEC. 4. The provisions of section 4 of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act, as amended (22 U. S. C. 286b), shall apply with respect to the Corporation to the same extent as with respect to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. Reports with respect to the Corporation under paragraphs 5 and 6 of subsection (b) of section 4 of said Act, as amended, shall be included in the first report made thereunder after the establishment of the Corporation and in each succeeding report.

SEC. 5. Unless Congress by law authorizes such action, neither the President nor any person or agency shall on behalf of the United States (a) subscribe to additional shares of stock under article II, section 3, of the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation; (b) accept any amendment under article VII of the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation; (c) make any loan to the Corporation. Unless Congress by law authorizes such action, no governor or alternate representing the United States shall vote for an increase of capital stock of the Corporation under article II, section 2 (c) (ii), of the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation.

SEC. 6. Any Federal Reserve bank which is requested to do so by the Corporation shall act as its depository or as its fiscal agent, and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System shall supervise and direct the carrying out of these functions by the Federal Reserve banks.
PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS

SEC. 7. (a) The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to pay the subscription of the United States to the Corporation and for this purpose is authorized to use as a public-debt transaction not to exceed $5,168,000 of the proceeds of any securities hereafter issued under the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended, and the purposes for which securities may be issued under that Act are extended to include such purpose. Payment under this subsection of the subscription of the United States to the Corporation and any repayment thereof shall be treated as public-debt transactions of the United States.

(b) Any payment of dividends made to the United States by the Corporation shall be covered into the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE OF ACTIONS

SEC. 8. For the purpose of any action which may be brought within the United States or its Territories or possessions by or against the Corporation in accordance with the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation, the Corporation shall be deemed to be an inhabitant of the Federal judicial district in which its principal office in the United States is located, and any such action at law or in equity to which the Corporation shall be a party shall be deemed to arise under the laws of the United States, and the district courts of the United States shall have original jurisdiction of any such action. When the Corporation is a defendant in any such action, it may, at any time before the trial thereof, remove such action from a State court into the district court of the United States for the proper district by following the procedure for removal of causes otherwise provided by law.

STATUS, IMMUNITIES AND PRIVILEGES

SEC. 9. The provisions of article V, section 5(d), and article VI, sections 2 to 9, both inclusive, of the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation shall have full force and effect in the United States and its Territories and possessions upon acceptance of membership by the United States in, and the establishment of, the Corporation.

Approved August 11, 1955.

AN ACT

To amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(j) In establishing farm acreage allotments for burley tobacco crops for the years 1956, 1957, and 1958 the acreage allotment for any farm which has not been retired from agricultural production shall not be reduced below the acreage allotment which would otherwise be established because the harvested acreage was less than the allotted acreage unless the acreage harvested was less than 50 per centum of the allotted acreage in each of the preceding five years, in which event it shall not be reduced for such reason to less than the largest acreage harvested in any year in such five-year period.”

Approved August 11, 1955.
AN ACT

August 11, 1955

To consolidate the Hatch Act of 1887 and laws supplementary thereto relating to the appropriation of Federal funds for the support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Hatch Act of March 2, 1887, relating to the appropriation of Federal funds for the support of State agricultural experiment stations, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. It is the policy of Congress to continue the agricultural research at State agricultural experiment stations which has been encouraged and supported by the Hatch Act of 1887, the Adams Act of 1906, the Purnell Act of 1925, the Bankhead-Jones Act of 1935, and title I, section 9, of that Act as added by the Act of August 14, 1946, and Acts amendatory and supplementary thereto, and to promote the efficiency of such research by a codification and simplification of such laws. As used in this Act, the terms 'State' or 'States' are defined to include the several States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. As used in this Act, the term 'State agricultural experiment station' means a department which shall have been established, under direction of the college or university or agricultural departments of the college or university in each State in accordance with an Act approved July 2, 1862 (12 Stat. 503), entitled 'An Act donating public lands to the several States and Territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts'; or such other substantially equivalent arrangements as any State shall determine.

"SEC. 2. It is further the policy of the Congress to promote the efficient production, marketing, distribution, and utilization of products of the farm as essential to the health and welfare of our peoples and to promote a sound and prosperous agriculture and rural life as indispensable to the maintenance of maximum employment and national prosperity and security. It is also the intent of Congress to assure agriculture a position in research equal to that of industry, which will aid in maintaining an equitable balance between agriculture and other segments of our economy. It shall be the object and duty of the State agricultural experiment stations through the expenditure of the appropriations hereinafter authorized to conduct original and other researches, investigations, and experiments bearing directly on and contributing to the establishment and maintenance of a permanent and effective agricultural industry of the United States, including researches basic to the problems of agriculture in its broadest aspects, and such investigations as have for their purpose the development and improvement of the rural home and rural life and the maximum contribution by agriculture to the welfare of the consumer, as may be deemed advisable, having due regard to the varying conditions and needs of the respective States.

"SEC. 3. (a) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the purposes of this Act such sums as Congress may from time to time determine to be necessary.

"(b) Out of such sums each State shall be entitled to receive annually a sum of money equal to and subject to the same requirement as to use for marketing research projects as the sums received from Federal appropriations for State agricultural experiment stations for the fiscal year 1953, except that amounts heretofore made available from the fund known as the 'Regional research fund, Office of Experiment Stations' shall continue to be available for the support of cooperative regional projects as defined in subsection 3 (c) (3), and the said fund shall be designated 'Regional research fund, State agricultural experiment stations.'
tural experiment stations', and the Secretary of Agriculture shall be entitled to receive annually for the administration of this Act, a sum not less than that available for this purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955: Provided, That if the appropriations hereunder available for distribution in any fiscal year are less than those for the fiscal year 1955 the allotment to each State and the amounts for Federal administration and the regional research fund shall be reduced in proportion to the amount of such reduction.

"(c) Any sums made available by the Congress in addition to those provided for in subsection (b) hereof for State agricultural experiment station work shall be distributed as follows:

1. Twenty per centum shall be allotted equally to each State;
2. Not less than 52 per centum of such sums shall be allotted to each State, as follows: One-half in an amount which bears the same ratio to the total amount to be allotted as the rural population of the State bears to the total rural population of all the States as determined by the last preceding decennial census current at the time such additional sum is first appropriated; and one-half in an amount which bears the same ratio to the total amount to be allotted as the farm population of the State bears to the total farm population of all the States as determined by the last preceding decennial census current at the time such additional sum is first appropriated;
3. Not more than 25 per centum shall be allotted to the States for cooperative research in which two or more State agricultural experiment stations are cooperating to solve problems that concern the agriculture of more than one State. The funds available for such purposes, together with funds available pursuant to subsection (b) hereof for like purpose shall be designated as the 'Regional research fund, State agricultural experiment stations', and shall be used only for such cooperative regional projects as are recommended by a committee of nine persons elected by and representing the directors of the State agricultural experiment stations, and approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. The necessary travel expenses of the committee of nine persons in performance of their duties may be paid from the fund established by this paragraph.
4. Not less than 20 per centum of any sums appropriated pursuant to this subsection for distribution to States shall be used by State agricultural experiment stations for conducting marketing research projects approved by the Department of Agriculture.
5. Three per centum shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture for administration of this Act.

(d) Of any amount in excess of $90,000 available under this Act for allotment to any State, exclusive of the regional research fund, State agricultural experiment stations, no allotment and no payments thereof shall be made in excess of the amount which the State makes available out of its own funds for research and for the establishment and maintenance of facilities necessary for the prosecution of such research: And provided further, That if any State fails to make available for such research purposes for any fiscal year a sum equal to the amount in excess of $90,000 to which it may be entitled for such year, the remainder of such amount shall be withheld by the Secretary of Agriculture.

(e) 'Administration' as used in this section shall include participation in planning and coordinating cooperative regional research as defined in subsection 3 (c) 3.

(f) In making payments to States, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to adjust any such payment to the nearest dollar.

SEC. 4. Moneys appropriated pursuant to this Act shall also be available, in addition to meeting expenses for research and investiga-
tions conducted under authority of section 2, for printing and disseminating the results of such research, retirement of employees subject to the provisions of an Act approved March 4, 1940 (54 Stat. 39), administrative planning and direction, and for the purchase and rental of land and the construction, acquisition, alteration, or repair of buildings necessary for conducting research. The State agricultural experiment stations are authorized to plan and conduct any research authorized under section 2 of this Act in cooperation with each other and such other agencies and individuals as may contribute to the solution of the agricultural problems involved, and moneys appropriated pursuant to this Act shall be available for paying the necessary expenses of planning, coordinating, and conducting such cooperative research.

"Sec. 5. Sums available for allotment to the States under the terms of this Act, excluding the regional research fund authorized by subsection 3 (c) 3, shall be paid to each State agricultural experiment station in equal quarterly payments beginning on the first day of July of each fiscal year upon vouchers approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. Each such station authorized to receive allotted funds shall have a chief administrative officer known as a director, and a treasurer or other officer appointed by the governing board of the station. Such treasurer or other officer shall receive and account for all funds allotted to the State under the provisions of this Act and shall report, with the approval of the director, to the Secretary of Agriculture on or before the first day of September of each year a detailed statement of the amount received under provisions of this Act during the preceding fiscal year, and of its disbursement on schedules prescribed by the Secretary of Agriculture. If any portion of the allotted moneys received by the authorized receiving officer of any State agricultural experiment station shall by any action or contingency be diminished, lost, or misapplied, it shall be replaced by the State concerned and until so replaced no subsequent appropriation shall be allotted or paid to such State.

"Sec. 6. Bulletins, reports, periodicals, reprints of articles, and other publications necessary for the dissemination of results of the researches and experiments, including lists of publications available for distribution by the experiment stations, shall be transmitted in the mails of the United States under penalty indicia: Provided, however, That each publication shall bear such indicia as are prescribed by the Postmaster General and shall be mailed under such regulations as the Postmaster General may from time to time prescribe. Such publications may be mailed from the principal place of business of the station or from an established subunit of said station.

"Sec. 7. The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby charged with the responsibility for the proper administration of this Act, and is authorized and directed to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out its provisions. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to furnish such advice and assistance as will best promote the purposes of this Act, including participation in coordination of research initiated under this Act by the State agricultural experiment stations, from time to time to indicate such lines of inquiry as to him seem most important, and to encourage and assist in the establishment and maintenance of cooperation by and between the several State agricultural experiment stations, and between the stations and the United States Department of Agriculture.

"On or before the first day of July in each year after the passage of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall ascertain as to each State whether it is entitled to receive its share of the annual appro-
priations for agricultural experiment stations under this Act and the amount which thereupon each is entitled, respectively, to receive.

"Whenever it shall appear to the Secretary of Agriculture from the annual statement of receipts and expenditures of funds by any State agricultural experiment station that any portion of the preceding annual appropriation allotted to that station under this Act remains unexpended, such amount shall be deducted from the next succeeding annual allotment to the State concerned.

"If the Secretary of Agriculture shall withhold from any State any portion of the appropriations available for allotment, the facts and reasons therefor shall be reported to the President and the amount involved shall be kept separate in the Treasury until the close of the next Congress. If the next Congress shall not direct such sum to be paid, it shall be carried to surplus.

"The Secretary of Agriculture shall make an annual report to the Congress during the first regular session of each year of the receipts and expenditures and work of the agricultural experiment stations in all the States under the provisions of this Act and also whether any portion of the appropriation available for allotment to any State has been withheld and if so the reasons therefor.

"Sec. 8. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to impair or modify the legal relation existing between any of the colleges or universities under whose direction State agricultural experiment stations have been established and the government of the States in which they are respectively located. States having agricultural experiment stations separate from such colleges or universities and established by law, shall be authorized to apply such benefits to research at stations so established by such States: Provided, That in any State in which more than one such college, university, or agricultural experiment station has been established the appropriations made pursuant to this Act for such State shall be divided between such institutions as the legislature of such State shall direct.

"Sec. 9. The Congress may at any time, amend, suspend, or repeal any or all of the provisions of this Act."

Repeals.

"Sec. 2. The following listed sections or parts of sections of the Statutes at Large heretofore covering the provisions consolidated in this Act are hereby repealed: Provided, however, That any rights or liabilities existing under such repealed sections or parts of sections shall not be affected by their repeal:

Bankhead-Jones Act, title I, sections 2 to 8, June 29, 1935 (49 Stat. 436; 7 U. S. C. 427 a-g).

Section 9, and related provisions of section 11 of the Bankhead-Jones Act, title I, as added by title I of the Research and Marketing Act (60 Stat. 1082; 7 U. S. C. 427h, 427j).


That part of the Act of October 1, 1918, relating to the Georgia Agricultural Experiment Station (40 Stat. 998; 7 U. S. C. 383).

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 353

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the States of California and Nevada to negotiate and enter into a compact with respect to the distribution and use of the waters of the Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, Lake Tahoe, and the tributaries of such rivers and lake in such States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to the States of California and Nevada to negotiate and enter into a compact with respect to the distribution and use of the waters of the Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, Lake Tahoe, and the tributaries of such rivers and lake in such States.

Sec. 2. Such consent is given upon the following conditions:
(1) A representative of the United States, who shall be appointed by the President of the United States, shall participate in such negotiations and shall make a report to the President and to the Congress of the proceedings and of any compact entered into; and
(2) Such compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon either of such States unless and until it has been ratified by the legislature of each of such States and consented to by the Congress of the United States.

Sec. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 354

AN ACT

To provide that the tax on admissions shall not apply to certain athletic events held for the benefit of the United States Olympic Association.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4233 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to exemptions from the admissions tax) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

“(10) ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR BENEFIT OF UNITED STATES OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION.—Any admissions to an athletic event, if (A) such event is conducted by the United States Olympic Association, or the conduct of such event for the benefit of such association is authorized in advance by such association, and (B) all the proceeds of the admissions inure exclusively to the benefit of such association.”

Sec. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall apply only with respect to amounts paid on or after the first day of the first month which begins more than 10 days after the date of the enactment of this Act for admission on or after such first day.

Approved August 11, 1955.
To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 with respect to the tax on cutting oils.

SEC. 4091. IMPOSITION OF TAX.

There is hereby imposed upon the following articles sold in the United States by the manufacturer or producer a tax at the following rates, to be paid by the manufacturer or producer:

'(1) cutting oils, 3 cents a gallon; and

'(2) other lubricating oils, 6 cents a gallon.'

SEC. 4092. DEFINITIONS.

'(a) Certain vendees considered as manufacturers.—For purposes of this subpart, a vendee who has purchased lubricating oils free of tax under section 4093 shall be considered the manufacturer or producer of such lubricating oils.

'(b) Cutting Oils.—For purposes of this subpart, the term 'cutting oils' means oils sold for use in cutting and machining operation (including forging, drawing, rolling, shearing, punching, and stamping) on metals.'

The table of sections to subpart B of part III of subchapter A of chapter 32 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by striking out “Definition of certain vendees as a manufacturer” and inserting in lieu thereof “Definitions”.

SEC. 2. Section 6416 (b) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (H) and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon, and by inserting after subparagraph (H) the following new subparagraph:

'(I) In the case of lubricating oils in respect of which tax was paid at the rate of 6 cents a gallon, used or resold for use on or after the effective date of this subparagraph as cutting oils (within the meaning of section 4092 (b)) except that the amount of such overpayment shall not exceed an amount computed at the rate of 3 cents a gallon.'

Effective date.

SEC. 3. The amendments made by this Act shall take effect on the first day of the first calendar quarter which begins more than ten days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Approved August 11, 1955.

AN ACT

To amend the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 5 (c) of the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954 is amended to read as follows:

'(c) The sums withheld from employees under subsection (a) and the sums contributed from appropriations and funds under subsection (b) shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of a fund which is hereby created. Said fund is hereby
made available without fiscal year limitation for premium payments under any insurance policy or policies purchased as authorized in sections 7 and 10 of this Act, for the payment of any obligations under agreements assumed pursuant to section 10 of this Act, and for any expenses incurred by the Commission in the administration of this Act within such limitations as may be specified annually in appropriation acts: Provided, That appropriations available to the Commission for salaries and expenses for the fiscal year 1955 shall be available on a reimbursable basis for necessary administrative expenses of carrying out the purposes of this Act until said fund shall be sufficient to provide therefor. The income derived from any dividends or premium rate adjustments received from insurers shall constitute a part of said fund.

(b) Section 5 of said Act is amended by adding the following subsection at the end thereof:

"(d) The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to invest and reinvest the moneys in the fund created by section 5(c), or any part thereof, in interest-bearing obligations of the United States and to sell such obligations of the United States for the purposes of the fund. The interest on and the proceeds from the sale of any such obligations shall become a part of the fund."

SEC. 2. (a) Section 6 of said Act is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 6. Each policy purchased under this Act shall contain a provision, in terms approved by the Commission, to the effect that any insurance thereunder on any employee shall cease upon his separation from the service or twelve months after discontinuance of his salary payments, whichever first occurs, subject to a provision which shall be contained in the policy for temporary extension of coverage and for conversion to an individual policy of life insurance under conditions approved by the Commission, except that if upon such date as the insurance would otherwise cease the employee retires on an immediate annuity and (a) his retirement is for disability or (b) he has completed fifteen years of creditable service, as determined by the Commission, his life insurance only may, under conditions determined by the Commission, be continued without cost to him in the amounts for which he would have been insured from time to time had his salary payments continued at the same rate as on the date of cessation. Periods of honorable active service in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard of the United States shall be credited toward the required fifteen years provided the employee has completed at least five years of civilian service."

(b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall be effective as of August 17, 1954.

SEC. 3. (a) The third proviso of section 7 (d) of said Act is hereby repealed.

(b) Section 7 (e) of said Act is amended to read as follows:

"(e) The companies eligible to participate as reinsurers, and the amount of insurance under the policy or policies to be allocated to each issuing company or reinsurer, may be redetermined by the Commission for and in advance of any policy year after the first, on a basis consistent with subsections (c) and (d) of this section, with any modifications thereof it deems appropriate to carry out the intent of such subsections, and based on each participating company's group life insurance in force in the United States on the most recent December 31 for which information is available to it, excluding that under any policy or policies purchased under this Act, and shall be so redetermined in a similar manner not less often than every three years or at any time that any participating company withdraws from participation: Provided, That if, upon any such redetermination, in the case...
of any issuing company or reinsurer which insured employees of the Federal Government on December 31, 1953, under policies issued to an association of Federal employees, the amount which results from the application of the formula referred to in subsection (d) of this section is less than the total decrease, if any, since December 31, 1953, in the amount of such company's insurance under such policies, the amount allocated to such company shall be increased to the amount of such decrease: Provided further, That any increase in the amount allocated to such company by application of the preceding proviso shall be reduced by the amount or amounts of any policy or policies purchased from such company under the authorization of section 10 of this Act, and in force on the date of such redetermination."

Sec. 4. Section 10 of said Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 10. (a) The Commission is authorized to arrange with any nonprofit association of Federal or District of Columbia employees for the assumption by the fund created by section 5 (c) of all life insurance agreements, including all benefits contained therein, obtained or provided by such association for its members.

"(b) The Commission is authorized, without regard to other sections of this Act and without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes as amended, to purchase from one or more life insurance companies, as determined by the Commission, a policy or policies of group life insurance to insure all or any portion of the life insurance agreements obtained or provided by an association for its members and assumed under this section: Provided, That any such company must be either (1) the company then insuring such members under a policy or policies issued to such association; or (2) a company which is an insurer or a reinsurer under section 7 of this Act. The Commission may at any time discontinue any policy or policies it has purchased from any insurance company.

"(c) Any association accepting such arrangement shall, in consideration therefor, pay over and transfer to the Commission (1) an amount equal to the actuarial value, as determined by the Commission, of the insurance obligations assumed by the fund created by section 5 (c), or (2) the total assets of the life insurance fund of such association, whichever is the lesser. Such payment and transfer shall be a premium for the purchase of the Government insurance arrangement, shall be deposited in the fund created by section 5 (c), and shall be accomplished in accordance with the procedures and conditions prescribed by the Commission, and in accordance with the requirements of applicable law.

"(d) The arrangements authorized by this section shall be made within six calendar months following the date of enactment of this amending Act, or such later date as the Commission may agree when there are extenuating circumstances, but not later than August 17, 1957, and such arrangements shall apply only to life insurance agreements existing on both the date of the approval of this amendment and on the date of the respective arrangement.

"(e) Any such arrangement shall provide that the continuation of the insurance coverage of such members shall be conditioned upon their payment to the fund created by section 5 (c), in such manner and under such conditions as the Commission may prescribe, of premium payments equal to the premiums or dues previously payable by them for such insurance coverage.

"(f) The members of such associations shall not by reason of any such arrangements be disqualified from any other insurance benefits provided by this Act if otherwise eligible therefor."

Approved August 11, 1955.
Public Law 357

CHAPTER 795

AN ACT

August 11, 1955

[69 Stat. 6994]

To provide for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the United States classified as or known to be valuable for coal, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to the conditions and provisions of this Act and to any valid intervening rights acquired under the laws of the United States, public lands of the United States classified as or known to be valuable for coal subject to disposition under the mineral leasing laws and which are open to location and entry subject to the conditions and provisions of the Act of August 13, 1954 (68 Stat. 708), unless embraced within a coal prospecting permit or lease, shall also be open to location and entry under the mining laws of the United States upon the discovery of a valuable source material occurring within any seam, bed, or deposit of lignite in such lands: Provided, That a copy of the notice of any mining location made for source material occurring in any such bed, seam, or deposit, shall be filed for record in the land office of the Bureau of Land Management for the State in which the claim is situated within ninety days after the date of its location: Provided further, That the claimant to any such mining location shall report annually to the Mining Supervisor of the Geological Survey the amount of lignite mined or stripped in the recovery of such valuable source material during each calendar year and tender payment to him of 10 cents per ton thereon. Any mineral patents issued hereunder shall be made subject to the recording and payment requirements of this section and shall contain a reservation to the United States of all Leasing Act minerals owned by the United States other than lignite containing valuable source material and lignite necessary to be stripped or mined in the recovery of such material. Mining claims located and mineral patents issued under the provisions of this Act shall not include rights to lignite not containing valuable source material except to the extent it may be necessary to mine or strip such lignite in order to mine the source material and, with respect to lode claims, shall not include extralateral rights. For all purposes of this Act "source material" and "lignite" shall have the meanings given in section 6 of this Act.

SEC. 2. Any mining claim located in a manner prescribed by the mining laws of the United States upon lands of the character described in section 1 of this Act, prior to May 25, 1955, if based upon a discovery of valuable source material contained in lignite shall be effective to the same extent as if such lands at the time of location, and at all times thereafter, had not been classified as or known to be valuable for coal subject to disposition under the mineral leasing laws, subject, however, to the provisions of section 1 hereof: Provided, That no extralateral rights shall attach to any mining location validated under this section: And provided further, That the locator or locators of such a mining claim shall, not later than one hundred and eighty days from and after the date of this Act, post on the claim and file for record in the office where the notice or certificate of location is of record, an amended notice of the mining location stating that such amended notice is filed pursuant to the provisions of this Act and for the purpose of obtaining the benefits thereof; and that a copy of said amended notice is, within the said one-hundred-and-eighty-day period, filed in the land office of the Bureau of Land Management for the State in which the mining location is situated, and the mining locator thereafter complies with the requirements of this Act.

30 USC 521-531.
Sec. 3. Subject to the provisos of section 2 of this Act, any mining location made under the mining laws of the United States, including the Act of August 13, 1954, on lands of the character described in section 1 of this Act, except locations made for lands within the exterior boundaries of a prior coal prospecting permit or lease, if based upon a discovery of valuable source material in deposits other than deposits of Leasing Act minerals, shall include the right to mine, remove, and dispose of lignite containing valuable source material and lignite necessary to be stripped or mined in the recovery of source material contained in lignite, subject to the reporting and payment requirements of section 1 of this Act, and subject to the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 919), and upon filing in the land office designated in section 1 hereof, an adequate description of his claim or claims containing such lignite: Provided, That nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or restrict the rights acquired by virtue of a mining claim heretofore or hereafter located, under the 1872 Mining Act, as amended, or to impose any additional obligation with respect to the mining and removal of source material which does not occur within any seam, bed, or deposit of lignite.

Sec. 4. The entryman or owner of any land or the assignee of rights therein, including lands granted to States, with respect to which the coal deposits have been reserved to the United States pursuant to the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1909 (35 Stat. 844), or the Act of June 22, 1910 (36 Stat. 583), excepting lands embraced within a coal prospecting permit or lease, upon the discovery of valuable source material in lignite situated within such entered, granted, or patented lands, who, except for the reservation of coal to the United States would have the right to mine and remove such source material, shall have the exclusive right to mine, remove, and dispose of lignite containing such source material and lignite necessary to be stripped or mined in the recovery of such material, subject to the reporting and payment requirements of section 1 of this Act, and subject to the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, upon filing in the land office designated in section 1 hereof, an adequate description sufficient to identify the land containing such lignite.

Sec. 5. The holders of coal leases issued under the provision of the mineral leasing laws, including the Act of August 7, 1947 (61 Stat. 913), prior to the date of this Act, or thereafter, if based upon a prospecting permit issued prior to that date, upon the discovery during the term of such lease of valuable source material in any bed or deposit of lignite situated within the leased lands, shall have the exclusive right to locate such source material under the provisions of this Act but the mining and disposal of such source material shall be subject to the operating provisions of the lease and to the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954: Provided, That the provisions of this section shall not apply to coal prospecting, permits or leases on lands embraced within entered, granted or patented lands described in section 4 of this Act.

Sec. 6. As used in this Act "mineral leasing laws" shall mean the Act of October 20, 1914 (38 Stat. 741); the Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437); the Act of April 17, 1926 (44 Stat. 301); the Act of February 7, 1927 (44 Stat. 1057); and all Acts heretofore or hereafter enacted which are amendatory of or supplementary to any of the foregoing Acts; "Leasing Act minerals" shall mean all minerals which, upon the effective date of this Act, are provided in the mineral leasing laws to be disposed of thereunder; "lignite" shall mean coal classified as ASTM designation: D 388–38, according to the standards established in the American Society for Testing Materials on Coal and Coke under standard specifications for Classification of Coals by Rank,
contained in public-land deposits considered as valuable under the coal-land classification standards established by the Secretary of the Interior and prescribed in section 30, Code of Federal Regulations, part 201; and "source material" shall mean uranium, thorium, or any other material which is determined by the Atomic Energy Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 61 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to be source material.

SEC. 7. All moneys received under the provisions of this Act shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States and distributed in the same manner as provided in section 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, and section 9 of the Alaska Coal Leasing Act of October 20, 1914 (38 Stat. 741).

SEC. 8. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Act.


SEC. 10. Twenty years after the effective date of this Act, all lands subject to the provisions of section 1 shall be withdrawn from all forms of entry under this Act. All claims made pursuant to the provisions of this Act shall expire at that time, except for (1) claims for which patent has already been issued, and (2) claims on which application for patent has already been made and on which patent is subsequently issued: Provided, That, if the President shall so provide by Executive order, the provisions of this section shall not become effective until thirty years after the effective date of this Act.

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 358

AN ACT
To amend the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to establish a commission for the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Alexander Hamilton", approved August 20, 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 of the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to establish a commission for the celebration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Alexander Hamilton", approved August 20, 1954, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 7. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, not to exceed $150,000 in addition to the sum of $25,000 heretofore appropriated, as the Congress may determine to be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution."

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 359

AN ACT
To permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Mining Claims Rights Restoration Act of 1955".
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Sec. 2. All public lands belonging to the United States heretofore, now or hereafter withdrawn or reserved for power development or power sites shall be open to entry for location and patent of mining claims and for mining, development, beneficiation, removal, and utilization of the mineral resources of such lands under applicable Federal statutes: Provided, That all power rights to such lands shall be retained by the United States: Provided further, That locations made under this Act within the revested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon grant lands shall also be subject to the provisions of the Act of April 8, 1948, Public Law 477 (Eightieth Congress, second session): And provided further, That nothing contained herein shall be construed to open for the purposes described in this section any lands (1) which are included in any project operating or being constructed under a license or permit issued under the Federal Power Act or other Act of Congress, or (2) which are under examination and survey by a prospective licensee of the Federal Power Commission, if such prospective licensee holds an uncanceled preliminary permit issued under the Federal Power Act authorizing him to conduct such examination and survey with respect to such lands and such permit has not been renewed in the case of such prospective licensee more than once.

(b) The locator of a placer claim under this Act, however, shall conduct no mining operations for a period of sixty days after the filing of a notice of location pursuant to section 4 of this Act. If the Secretary of the Interior, within sixty days from the filing of the notice of location, notifies the locator by registered mail of the Secretary's intention to hold a public hearing to determine whether placer mining operations would substantially interfere with other uses of the land included within the placer claim, mining operations on that claim shall be further suspended until the Secretary has held the hearing and has issued an appropriate order. The order issued by the Secretary of the Interior shall provide for one of the following: (1) a complete prohibition of placer mining; (2) a permission to engage in placer mining upon the condition that the locator shall, following placer operations, restore the surface of the claim to the condition in which it was immediately prior to those operations; or (3) a general permission to engage in placer mining. No order by the Secretary with respect to such operations shall be valid unless a certified copy is filed in the same State or county office in which the locator's notice of location has been filed in compliance with the United States mining laws.

The Secretary shall establish such rules and regulations as he deems desirable concerning bonds and deposits with respect to the restoration of lands to their condition prior to placer mining operations. Moneys received from any bond or deposit shall be used for the restoration of the surface of the claim involved, and any money received in excess of the amount needed for the restoration of the surface of that claim shall be refunded.

(c) Nothing in this Act shall affect the validity of withdrawals or reservations for purposes other than power development.

Sec. 3. Prospecting and exploration for and the development and utilization of mineral resources authorized in this Act shall be entered into or continued at the financial risk of the individual party or parties undertaking such work: Provided, That the United States, its permittees and licensees shall not be responsible or held liable or incur any liability for the damage, destruction, or loss of any mining claim, mill site, facility installed or erected, income, or other property or investments resulting from the actual use of such lands or portions thereof for power development at any time where such power develop-
ment is made by or under the authority of the United States, except where such damage, destruction, or loss results from the negligence of the United States, its permittees and licensees.

Sec. 4. The owner of any unpatented mining claim located on land described in section 2 of this Act shall file for record in the United States district land office of the land district in which the claim is situated (1) within one year after the effective date of this Act, as to any or all locations heretofore made, or within sixty days of location as to locations hereafter made, a copy of the notice of location of the claim; (2) within sixty days after the expiration of any annual assessment year, a statement as to the assessment work done or improvements made during the previous assessment year.

Sec. 5. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to limit or restrict the rights of the owner or owners of any valid mining claim located prior to the date of withdrawal or reservation: Provided, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit or restrict the rights of the owner or owners of any mining claim who are diligently working to make a discovery of valuable minerals at the time any future withdrawal or reservation for power development is made.

Sec. 6. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, all mining claims and mill sites or mineral rights located under the terms of this Act or otherwise contained on the public lands as described in section 2 shall be used only for the purposes specified in section 2 and no facility or activity shall be erected or conducted thereon for other purposes.

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Public Law 360

AN ACT

To amend Public Law 83, Eighty-third Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Smith-Lever Act, as amended (7 U. S. C. 341 and the following, supp. 1), is further amended as follows:

(a) By adding a new section, following section 7, to read as follows:

"Sec. 8. (a) The Congress finds that there exists special circumstances in certain agricultural areas which cause such areas to be at a disadvantage insofar as agricultural development is concerned, which circumstances include the following: (1) There is concentration of farm families on farms either too small or too unproductive or both; (2) such farm operators because of limited productivity are unable to make adjustments and investments required to establish profitable operations; (3) the productive capacity of the existing farm unit does not permit profitable employment of available labor; (4) because of limited resources, many of these farm families are not able to make full use of current extension programs designed for families operating economic units nor are extension facilities adequate to provide the assistance needed to produce desirable results.

"(b) In order to further the purposes of section 2 in such areas and to encourage complementary development essential to the welfare of such areas, there are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as the Congress from time to time shall determine to be necessary for payments to the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico on the basis of special needs in such areas as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture.

"(c) In determining that the area has such special need, the Secretary shall find that it has a substantial number of disadvantaged farms

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or farm families for one or more of the reasons heretofore enumerated. The Secretary shall make provisions for the assistance to be extended to include one or more of the following: (1) Intensive on-the-farm educational assistance to the farm family in appraising and resolving its problems; (2) assistance and counseling to local groups in appraising resources for capability of improvement in agriculture or introduction of industry designed to supplement farm income; (3) cooperation with other agencies and groups in furnishing all possible information as to existing employment opportunities, particularly to farm families having underemployed workers; and (4) in cases where the farm family, after analysis of its opportunities and existing resources, finds it advisable to seek a new farming venture, the providing of information, advice, and counsel in connection with making such change.

"(d) No more than 10 per centum of the sums available under this section shall be allotted to any one State. The Secretary shall use project proposals and plans of work submitted by the State Extension directors as a basis for determining the allocation of funds appropriated pursuant to this section.

"(e) Sums appropriated pursuant to this section shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, appropriations otherwise available under this Act. The amounts authorized to be appropriated pursuant to this section shall not exceed a sum in any year equal to 10 per centum of sums otherwise appropriated pursuant to this Act."

(b) By renumbering section 8 to read section 9.

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Public Law 361

AN ACT

To amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(j) The production of tobacco on a farm in 1955 or any subsequent year for which no farm acreage allotment was established shall not make the farm eligible for an allotment as an old farm under subsections (b) and (g) hereof: Provided, however, That by reason of such production the farm need not be considered as ineligible for a new farm allotment under subsections (c) and (g) hereof, but such production shall not be deemed past tobacco experience for any producer on the farm."

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Public Law 362

AN ACT

To authorize subpenas in connection with the enforcement of the narcotic laws, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of any investigation which, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Treasury, is necessary and proper to the enforcement of the laws of the
United States relating to narcotic drugs and marihuana, the Secretary of the Treasury is empowered to administer oaths and affirmations, subpena witnesses, compel their attendance, take evidence, and require the production of any records (including books, papers, documents, and tangible things which constitute or contain evidence) which the Secretary of the Treasury finds relevant or material to the investigation. The attendance of witnesses and the production of records may be required from any place in any State or in any Territory or other place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States at any designated place of hearing; Provided, That a witness shall not be required to appear at any hearing distant more than one hundred miles from the place where he was served with subpena. Witnesses summoned by the Secretary of the Treasury shall be paid the same fees and mileage that are paid witnesses in the courts of the United States.

Sec. 2. A subpena of the Secretary of the Treasury may be served by any person designated in the subpena to serve it. Service upon a natural person may be made by personal delivery of the subpena to him. Service may be made upon a domestic or foreign corporation or upon a partnership or other unincorporated association which is subject to suit under a common name, by delivering the subpena to an officer, a managing or general agent, or to any other agent authorized by appointment or by law to receive service of process. The affidavit of the person serving the subpena entered on a true copy thereof by the person serving it shall be proof of service.

Sec. 3. In case of contumacy by, or refusal to obey a subpena issued to, any person, the Secretary of the Treasury may invoke the aid of any court of the United States within the jurisdiction of which the investigation is carried on or of which the subpoenaed person is an inhabitant, carries on business or may be found, to compel compliance with the subpena of the Secretary of the Treasury. The court may issue an order requiring the subpoenaed person to appear before the Secretary of the Treasury there to produce records, if so ordered, or to give testimony touching the matter under investigation. Any failure to obey the order of the court may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. All process in any such case may be served in the judicial district whereof the subpoenaed person is an inhabitant or wherever he may be found.

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Public Law 363

AN ACT

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to provide for refund or credit of internal revenue taxes and customs duties paid on distilled spirits and wines lost, rendered unmarketable, or condemned by health authorities as a result of the hurricanes of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to make refund, or allow credit in the case of a distiller, winemaker, or rectifier if he so elects, in the amount of the internal revenue tax and customs duties paid on distilled spirits and wines previously withdrawn, and lost or rendered unmarketable or condemned by a duly authorized health official of the United States or of a State by reason of the hurricanes of 1954 while such spirits or wines were in the possession of (1) the person originally paying such tax, or such tax and duty, on such spirits or
wines, (2) rectifier for rectification or for bottling, or which have been used in the process of rectification, under Government supervision as provided by law and regulations, or (3) a wholesale or retail liquor dealer, all hereinafter referred to as the possessor or possessors. The refunds and credits authorized by this Act may be made to (1) any of the possessors, except a retail liquor dealer, or (2) to any distiller, winemaker, rectifier, importer, or wholesale liquor dealer who replaced for the possessor the full equivalent of the distilled spirits or wines so lost or rendered unmarketable or condemned, without compensation, remuneration, payment, or credit of any kind in respect of the tax, or tax and duty, on such spirits or wines. A claim for the amount of such tax, or such tax and duty, shall be filed with the Secretary of the Treasury within ninety days from the date of enactment of this Act. The claimant shall furnish proof to the Secretary's satisfaction that (1) the internal revenue tax on such spirits or wines, or the tax and duty if imported, was fully paid, (2) such spirits or wines were lost or rendered unmarketable or condemned by a duly authorized health official of the United States or of a State, (3) the claimant was not indemnified by any valid claim of insurance or otherwise against loss of the tax, or tax and duty, paid on the spirits or wines, and (4) in those cases where applicable, that the claimant has had replaced for the possessor the full equivalent of the spirits or wines so lost or rendered unmarketable or condemned, without compensation, remuneration, payment, or credit of any kind in respect of the tax, or tax and duty, on such spirits or wines.

(b) When the Secretary, pursuant to this Act, makes refund, or allows credit, in the amount of the tax, or tax and duty, on spirits or wines rendered unmarketable or condemned by a duly authorized health official, such spirits or wines shall be destroyed under the supervision of the Secretary or his delegate, unless such spirits or wines were, prior to the enactment of this Act, destroyed under the supervision or observation of the Secretary or his delegate.

(c) Where credit is allowed to a distiller, winemaker, or rectifier for the internal revenue tax previously paid as aforesaid, the Secretary is authorized and directed to provide for the issuance of stamps to cover the tax on distilled spirits or wines subsequently withdrawn or rectified to the extent of the credit so allowed.

(d) The Secretary is authorized to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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thereof. A member of a State defense force established under this section is not exempt from military service in the Armed Forces of the United States under any Federal law by reason of membership therein, and further, such member is not entitled to pay, allowances, subsistence, transportation, or medical care or treatment from Federal funds. No person may become a member of the organized militia established under this section if he is a member of the Reserve Forces as defined in section 101 of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952."

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Public Law 365

AN ACT

To provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) whenever (1) any deficiency exists or occurs in the official disbursing accounts of any disbursing officer or former disbursing officer of any department, agency, or independent establishment of the Government in consequence of the making of any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment, and (2) the Comptroller General or any officer of the General Accounting Office designated by the Comptroller General determines, upon his own motion or upon written findings and recommendations made by the head of the department, agency, or independent establishment concerned, or his designee for that purpose, that such payment was not the result of bad faith or lack of due care on the part of such disbursing officer, the Comptroller General or his designee is authorized in his discretion to relieve such disbursing officer of accountability and responsibility, and allow credit in his official disbursing accounts, for such deficiency. Such relief may be denied in any case in which the Comptroller General or his designee determines that the department, agency, or independent establishment concerned has not diligently pursued collection action in accordance with procedures prescribed by the Comptroller General.

(b) Nothing contained in this section shall (1) affect the liability, or authorize the relief, of any payee, beneficiary, or recipient of any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment, or (2) relieve any such disbursing officer, the head of any department, agency, or establishment, or the Comptroller General of responsibility to pursue collection action against any such payee, beneficiary, or recipient. This section shall not deprive any such disbursing officer of any right which he otherwise may have to obtain relief by any other means with respect to any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment.

(c) Whenever it is necessary in the opinion of the Comptroller General to restore or otherwise adjust in the account of any disbursing officer any amount as to which relief is granted under this section, such amount, unless another appropriation is specifically provided therefor, shall be charged to the appropriation or fund available for the expense of the disbursing function at the time the adjustment is effected.

SEC. 2. (a) The Act entitled “An Act to authorize relief of disbursing officers of the Army on account of loss or deficiency of Government funds, vouchers, records, or papers in their charge”, approved December 13, 1944 (58 Stat. 800 as amended; 31 U. S. C. 95a), is amended to read as follows:
"That whenever (1) any disbursing officer of the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps incurs or has incurred a physical loss or deficiency of any Government funds, vouchers, records, or papers in his charge and (2) the Secretary of the department concerned determines that such loss or deficiency occurred while the officer was in line of his duty and that such loss or deficiency occurred without fault or negligence on his part, the General Accounting Office shall relieve such officer of the liability for such loss or deficiency, or authorize the reimbursement, from any appropriation or fund made available for that purpose, of amounts paid by or on behalf of such officer in restitution of such loss or deficiency. Any determination made by the Secretary of the department concerned under this Act shall be conclusive upon the General Accounting Office. No relief may be granted under this Act with respect to any deficiency in the accounts of any disbursing officer which results from any illegal or erroneous payment. This Act shall not deprive any disbursing officer of any right which he otherwise may have to obtain relief by any other means with respect to any loss or deficiency covered by this Act."

(b) No reimbursement shall be made under the amendment made by subsection (a) for any loss or deficiency occurring before the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 3. The second paragraph under the heading "Pay, miscellaneous", of the first section of the Act of July 11, 1919 (41 Stat. 132, as amended; 31 U. S. C. 105) is hereby repealed.

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Public Law 366

AN ACT

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 with respect to the tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) part I of subchapter Q of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is hereby amended by renumbering section 1304 as section 1305, and by inserting after section 1303 the following new section:

"SEC. 1304. COMPENSATORY DAMAGES FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT.

"If an amount representing compensatory damages is received or accrued by a taxpayer during a taxable year as the result of an award in a civil action for infringement of a patent issued by the United States, then the tax attributable to the inclusion of such amount in gross income for the taxable year shall not be greater than the aggregate of the increases in taxes which would have resulted if such amount had been included in gross income in equal installments for each month during which such infringement occurred."

(b) The table of sections for such part I is hereby amended by striking out "Sec. 1304. Rules applicable to this part." and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Sec. 1304. Compensatory damages for patent infringement.
"Sec. 1305. Rules applicable to this part."

SEC. 2. The amendments made by the first section of this Act shall apply with respect to taxable years ending after the date of the enactment of this Act, but only with respect to amounts received or accrued after such date as the result of awards made after such date.

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AN ACT

To remove the manufacturers' excise tax from the sales of certain component parts for use in other manufactured articles, to confine to entertainment-type equipment the tax on radio and television apparatus, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapters 32 and 65 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are amended as follows:

(a) Section 4218 (a) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by inserting after “section 4141” the following: “and other than an automobile part or accessory taxable under section 4061 (b), a refrigerator component taxable under section 4111, a radio or television component taxable under section 4141, or a camera lens taxable under section 4171”.

(b) Section 4218 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended to read as follows:

“(b) Exception.—This section shall not apply with respect to the use by the manufacturer, producer, or importer of an automobile part or accessory taxable under section 4061 (b), a refrigerator component taxable under section 4111, a radio or television component taxable under section 4141, or a camera lens taxable under section 4171, if such part, accessory, component, or lens is used by him as material in the manufacture or production of, or as a component part of, any article.”

(c) The first two sentences of section 4220 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are amended to read as follows:

“Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary or his delegate, no tax under this chapter shall be imposed with respect to the sale of—

“(1) any article (other than an automobile part or accessory taxable under section 4061 (b), a refrigerator component taxable under section 4111, a radio or television component taxable under section 4141, or a camera lens taxable under section 4171)—

“(A) for use by the vendee as material in the manufacture or production of, or as a component part of, an article enumerated in this chapter; or

“(B) for resale by the vendee for such use by his vendee, if such article is in due course so resold; or

“(2) an automobile part or accessory taxable under section 4061 (b), a refrigerator component taxable under section 4111, a radio or television component taxable under section 4141, or a camera lens taxable under section 4171—

“(A) for use by the vendee as material in the manufacture or production of, or as a component part of, any article; or

“(B) for resale by the vendee for such use by his vendee, if such article is in due course so resold.

For purposes of this chapter, the manufacturer or producer to whom an article is sold under paragraph (1) (A) or (2) (A) or resold under paragraph (1) (B) or (2) (B) shall be considered the manufacturer or producer of such article.”

(d) Section 4113 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is hereby repealed.

(e) Section 4112 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended—

(1) by striking out the heading to such section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“SEC. 4112. DEFINITION OF REFRIGERATOR COMPONENTS.”;

(2) by striking out “(a) REFRIGERATOR COMPONENTS.—”;

and

(3) by striking out subsection (b) thereof.
(f) The table of sections to part I of subchapter B of chapter 32 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended—
   (A) by striking out "Definitions" and inserting in lieu thereof "Definition of refrigerator components"; and
   (B) by striking out "Sec. 4113. Exemptions for manufacturers."

(g) Section 4063 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended—
   (A) by striking out "or parts or accessories" in the first sentence thereof; and
   (B) by striking out " or parts or accessories" in the second sentence thereof.

(h) Section 6416 (b) (3) (A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by inserting after "section 4141" the following: "and other than an automobile part or accessory taxable under section 4061 (b), a refrigerator component taxable under section 4111, a radio or television component taxable under section 4141, or a camera lens taxable under section 4171."

(i) Section 6416 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by changing subparagraph (B) thereof to read as follows:
   "(B) An automobile part or accessory taxable under section 4061 (b), a refrigerator component taxable under section 4111, a radio or television component taxable under section 4141, or a camera lens taxable under section 4171, purchased by a manufacturer or producer and used by him as material in the manufacture of, production of, or as a component part of, any article."

SEC. 2. RADIO AND TELEVISION RECEIVING SETS AND COMPONENT PARTS.—(a) Section 4141 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by inserting at the end thereof a new sentence as follows: "Except in the case of radio and television components and phonograph records, the tax imposed by this section shall apply only to articles of the entertainment type."

(b) Sections 4143 and 6416 (b) (2) (G) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are hereby repealed.

(c) The table of sections to part I of subchapter C of chapter 32 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by striking out "Sec. 4148. Exemptions for sales to United States."

SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by the first section and section 2 of this Act shall take effect on the first day of the first month which begins more than ten days after the date of the enactment of this Act. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence—

(1) the repeal of section 6416 (b) (2) (G) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 shall apply only with respect to articles sold by the manufacturer, producer, or importer on or after the first day of the first month which begins more than 10 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and

(2) section 6416 (b) (3) (B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended by subsection (i) of the first section of this Act, shall apply with respect to articles used on or after such first day by the manufacturer or producer as material in the manufacture of, production of, or as a component part of, another article.

Sec. 4. Subsection (e) of section 534 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to burden of proof in certain proceedings relating to imposition of accumulated earnings tax) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(e) APPLICATION OF SECTION.—
   "(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this section shall apply with respect to taxable years to which this subchapter applies and (except as provided in paragraph (2)) to taxable
years to which the corresponding provisions of prior revenue laws apply.

“(2) In the case of a notice of deficiency for a taxable year to which this subchapter does not apply, this section shall apply only in the case of proceedings tried on the merits after the date of the enactment of this paragraph.”

Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 534 of such Code (relating to notice by Secretary) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: “In the case of a notice of deficiency to which subsection (e) (2) applies and which is mailed on or before the 30th day after the date of the enactment of this sentence, the notification referred to in the preceding sentence may be mailed at any time on or before such 30th day.”

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 368

To amend section 303 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, to authorize travel and transportation allowances, and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of their selection for certain members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 303 (a) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 813) is amended by inserting the following sentence immediately after the first sentence thereof: “Under uniform regulations prescribed by the Secretaries concerned, a member of the uniformed services who—

“(1) is retired for physical disability or placed upon the temporary disability retired list; or

“(2) is retired with pay for any other reason, or is discharged with severance pay, immediately following at least eight years of continuous active duty (no single break therein of more than ninety days);

may select his home for the purposes of the travel and transportation allowances payable under this subsection.”

Sec. 2. Section 303 (c) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 814) is amended by inserting the following sentences at the end thereof: “Under uniform regulations prescribed by the Secretaries concerned, a member of the uniformed services who—

“(1) is retired for physical disability or placed on the temporary disability retired list; or

“(2) is retired with pay for any other reason, or is discharged with severance pay, immediately following at least eight years of continuous active duty (no single break therein of more than ninety days);

is entitled to transportation for his dependents and for his baggage and household effects to the home selected for allowance purposes under subsection (a) of this section.”

Sec. 3. This Act shall be effective from April 1, 1951. No additional amount may be paid to members of the uniformed services as a result of enactment of this amendatory Act unless travel to such selected home be performed on or prior to April 28, 1953, or within one year after such retirement, placement upon the temporary disability retired list, or discharge, whichever is later.

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To amend section 8 of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 8 of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(d) (1) The annuity of any person who now or hereafter is receiving or entitled to receive an annuity from the civil-service retirement and disability fund shall be increased, effective on the first day of the second month following enactment of this amendment or on the commencing date of annuity, whichever is later, in accordance with the following schedule:

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Such increase in annuity shall not exceed the sum necessary to increase such annuity, exclusive of annuity purchased by voluntary contributions under the second paragraph of section 10 of this Act, to $4,104. The monthly installment of each annuity so increased shall be fixed at the nearest dollar.

“(2) The increases provided by this subsection, when added to the annuities of retired employees, shall not operate to increase the annuities of their survivors, except that the annuity of any such survivor who becomes entitled to annuity shall be increased by the per centum provided in subsection (d) (1) of this section appropriate to the commencing date of such survivor’s annuity.”

SEC. 2 (a) Paragraph (5) of section 3A of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

“(5) Subject to the provisions of section 9 and of subsections (b) and (c) of section 4, the annuity of a Member of Congress shall be an amount equal to—

“(A) two and one-half per centum of the average annual basic salary, pay, or compensation received by him subsequent to the date of the enactment of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended, for civilian service used in the computation of an annuity under this paragraph, multiplied by the sum of his years of service as a Member of Congress and his years of active service performed as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States prior to his separation from service as a Member of Congress;

“(B) two and one-half per centum of such average annual basic salary, pay, or compensation multiplied by the sum of the years, not exceeding fifteen, of his service performed as an employee described in section 4 (g) prior to his separation from service as a Member of Congress, other than any such service which he may elect to exclude; and
“(C) one and one-half per centum of such average annual basic salary, pay, or compensation multiplied by the years of his allowable service, other than service used in computing annuity under clauses (A) and (B), performed prior to his separation from service as a Member of Congress, and other than any such service which he may elect to exclude.

In no case shall an annuity computed under this paragraph exceed an amount equal to three-fourths of the basic salary, pay, or compensation that he is receiving at the time of his separation from service as a Member of Congress.”

(b) Paragraph (8) of such section is amended by striking out “service as a Member of Congress shall not be credited”, and inserting in lieu thereof “service used in the computation of an annuity under this section shall not be credited”.

(c) The amendments made by this section shall be effective only in the case of a person separated from service as a Member of Congress on or after July 1, 1955.

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Public Law 370

AN ACT

To amend section 223 of the Revenue Act of 1950, relating to the use of corporation property by a shareholder.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 223 of the Revenue Act of 1950 (relating to use of corporation property by a shareholder) is hereby amended by striking out “January 1, 1950” and inserting in lieu thereof “January 1, 1954”.

Sec. 2. No interest shall be allowed or paid on any overpayment resulting from the amendment made by the first section of this Act.

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 371

AN ACT

To increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the United States Naval Academy and the United States Naval Postgraduate School.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of January 16, 1936 (49 Stat. 1092), as amended, is further amended by adding thereto the following new section:

“Sec. 7. (a) The annuities payable under this Act to civilian members of the teaching staffs of the United States Naval Academy and the United States Naval Postgraduate School retired before April 1, 1948, are hereby increased by $300 a year.

(b) In addition to the increase in annuities authorized by subsection (a), the annuities payable under this Act to all civilian members of the teaching staffs of the United States Naval Academy and the United States Naval Postgraduate School retired before the date of enactment of this amendment shall be increased by $300 a year. No such annuity, however, shall thereby be increased to an amount in excess of $2,160.
“(c) The increase in the annuities of retired members of the teaching staffs of the United States Naval Academy and the United States Naval Postgraduate School authorized by subsection (b) shall not operate to increase the annuities of their survivors.”

Sec. 2. Applicable current appropriations shall be available to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this Act.

Approved August 11, 1955.

Public Law 372

JOINT RESOLUTION

To establish a commission to formulate plans for a memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Whereas the American people feel a deep debt of gratitude to Franklin Delano Roosevelt for his leadership in America’s struggle for peace, well-being, and human dignity: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby established a commission, to be known as the “Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission” (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”), for the purpose of considering and formulating plans for the design, construction, and location of a permanent memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, or in its immediate environs. The Commission shall be composed of twelve Commissioners appointed as follows: Four persons to be appointed by the President of the United States, four Senators by the President of the Senate, and four Members of the House of Representatives by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Commissioners shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in carrying out the duties of the Commission. The Commission shall report such plans, together with its recommendations, to the President and Congress at the earliest practicable date, and in the interim shall make annual reports of its progress to the President and Congress.

Sec. 2. The Commission is authorized to—

(a) make such expenditures for personal services and otherwise for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution as it may deem advisable from funds appropriated or received as gifts for such purpose;

(b) accept gifts to be used in carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution or to be used in connection with the construction or other expenses of such Memorial;

(c) hold hearings, organize contests, enter into contracts for personal services and otherwise, and do such other things as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution; and

(d) avail itself of the assistance and advice of the Commission of Fine Arts, the National Capital Planning Commission, and the National Capital Regional Planning Council, and such Commissions and Council shall, upon request, render such assistance and advice.

Sec. 3. There is authorized to be appropriated not more than $10,000 to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved August 11, 1955.
JOINT RESOLUTION

August 12, 1955

CHAPTER 859

To provide for the acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 507 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended (44 U. S. C., sec. 397), is hereby amended as follows:

(1) By amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

"(e) The Administrator is authorized, whenever he deems it to be in the public interest, to accept for deposit—

(1) the papers and other historical materials of any President or former President of the United States, or of any other official or former official of the Government, and other papers relating to and contemporary with any President or former President of the United States, subject to restrictions agreeable to the Administrator as to their use; and

(2) documents, including motion-picture films, still pictures, and sound recordings, from private sources that are appropriate for preservation by the Government as evidence of its organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, and transactions."

(2) By redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (h), and by inserting after subsection (e) the following new subsection:

"(f) The Administrator is authorized, whenever he deems it to be in the public interest—

(1) to accept, for and in the name of the United States, any land, buildings, and equipment offered as a gift to the United States for the purposes of creating a Presidential archival depository, and to take title to such land, buildings, and equipment on behalf of the United States, and to maintain, operate, and protect them as a Presidential archival depository, and as part of the national archives system; and to enter into agreements, upon such terms and conditions as he deems proper, with any State, political subdivision, university, institution of higher learning, institute, or foundation to utilize as a Presidential archival depository land, buildings, and equipment of such State, subdivision, university, or other organization, to be made available by it without transfer of title to the United States, and to maintain, operate, and protect such depository as a part of the national archives system: Provided, That the Administrator shall submit a report in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, which report shall include a description of the type, buildings, and equipment offered as a gift or to be made available without transfer of title as aforesaid, a statement of the terms of the proposed agreement, if any, a general description of the types of papers, documents, or other historical materials which it is proposed to deposit in the Presidential archival depository so to be created, and of the terms of such proposed deposit, a statement of the additional improvements and equipment, if any, necessary to the satisfactory operation of such depository, together with an estimate of the cost thereof, and an estimate of the annual cost to the United States of maintaining, operating, and protecting such depository: Provided further, That the Administrator shall not take title to any such land, buildings, and equipment or enter into any such agreement, until the expiration of the first period of sixty calendar days of continuous session of the Congress following the date on which such report is trans-
mitted, which sixty-day period shall be computed as follows: Continuity of session shall be considered as broken only by an adjournment sine die, but the days on which either House is not in session because of an adjournment of more than three days to a day certain shall be excluded from the computation;

“(2) to deposit in any such Presidential archival depository any papers, documents, or other historical materials accepted under subsection (e), or any Federal records appropriate for preservation therein;

“(3) to exercise, with respect to any papers, documents, or other historical materials deposited under this subsection or otherwise in any Presidential archival depository, all the functions and responsibilities otherwise vested in him pertaining to Federal records or other documentary materials in his custody or under his control: Provided, That the Administrator, in negotiating for the deposit of Presidential historical materials, shall take steps to secure to the Government, so far as possible, the right to have continuous and permanent possession of such materials: Provided further, That papers, documents, or other historical materials accepted and deposited under this subsection shall be held subject to such restrictions respecting their availability and use as may be specified in writing by the donors or depositors, including the restriction that they shall be kept in a Presidential archival depository, and such restrictions shall be respected for so long a period as shall have been specified, or until they are revoked or terminated by the donors or depositors or by persons legally qualified to act on their behalf with respect thereto; Provided further, That subject to such restrictions, the Administrator may dispose by sale, exchange, or otherwise, of any papers, documents, or other materials which the Archivist may determine to have no permanent value or historical interest or to be surplus to the needs of any Presidential archival depository;

“(4) to cooperate with and to assist any university, institution of higher learning, institute, foundation, or other organization or qualified individual to further or to conduct study or research in any historical materials deposited in any Presidential archival depository;

“(5) to charge and collect reasonable fees for the privilege of visiting and viewing any exhibit rooms or museum space in any Presidential archival depository;

“(6) to provide reasonable office space in any Presidential archival depository for the personal use of any former President of the United States; and

“(7) to accept gifts or bequests of money or other property for the purpose of maintaining, operating, protecting, or improving any Presidential archival depository: Provided, That the proceeds of any such gifts or bequests, together with the proceeds from any fees or from any sales of historical materials, copies or reproductions thereof, catalogs, or other items, having to do with any Presidential archival depository, shall be paid into the National Archives Trust Fund provided for in section 5 of the Act of July 9, 1941, to be held, administered, and expended under the provisions of such section for the benefit and in the interest of the Presidential archival depository in connection with which they were received, including such administrative and custodial expenses thereof as the Administrator may determine.
By adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(h) When used in this section—

"(1) The term 'Presidential archival depository' means an institution operated by the United States to house and preserve the papers and books of a President or former President of the United States, together with other historical materials belonging to a President or former President of the United States, or related to his papers or to the events of his official or personal life.

"(2) The term 'historical materials' includes books, correspondence, documents, papers, pamphlets, works of art, models, pictures, photographs, plats, maps, films, motion pictures, sound recordings, and other objects or materials having historical or commemorative value."

Approved August 12, 1955.

CHAPTER 860

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to execute a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana.

Whereas there have been constructed certain irrigation distribution and pumping works for the Crow Creek pumping unit, Montana, as a part of the Missouri River Basin project (58 Stat. 887, 891); and

Whereas said works were constructed, pursuant to special provisions contained in the Interior Department Appropriation Acts, 1949 and 1950, to furnish new lands with irrigation water in substitution for irrigated lands in Broadwater County, Montana, inundated by the operation of the Canyon Ferry Reservoir at a maximum normal pool elevation above three thousand seven hundred and sixty-six feet; and

Whereas the Toston Irrigation District has been organized under the laws of the State of Montana for the purpose of entering into contractual arrangements with the United States; and

Whereas the said district will probably be unable for some time to pay to the United States more than the cost of operating and maintaining said works, exclusive of charges for electrical pumping energy; and

Whereas the Congress expects said district to make every reasonable effort to expand its boundaries and otherwise to put itself in such financial shape that, upon the expiration of not more than ten years, it can assume its proper obligations under the Federal reclamation laws (Act of June 17, 1902, 32 Stat. 388, and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto): Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to execute a contract with Toston Irrigation District which provides, among other things, that—

(a) the district will pay to the United States each year the full cost to the Government of operating and maintaining the works of the Crow Creek pumping unit during that year, exclusive of the cost of electrical pumping energy, said payment to be made, as far as the cost can be forecast by the Secretary or his duly authorized delegate, in advance and in not more than two installments;

(b) the United States will deliver to the district, as far as conditions permit, water in sufficient quantity to furnish two acre-feet per irrigated acre, measured at the farm turnouts, for use on the irrigable lands of the district;
(c) the district will, in addition to the amounts specified under
(a) above, pay to the United States such sums as may be required
to cover the cost, including the cost of electrical pumping energy,
of furnishing more than two acre-feet per irrigated acre as here- 
before provided;
(d) the district acknowledges and will cause each landowner
to whom water is delivered to acknowledge that the contract con-
fers upon it and them no right to the continued operation and
maintenance of said works beyond the period during which it is 
in force unless, prior to the expiration thereof, the district shall
have entered into a long-term contract conforming to the pro-
visions of the Federal reclamation laws and that no permanent
right to the use of water arises, attaches to their lands, or is
claimed to arise or attach to their lands by virtue of the delivery
of water through said works or the application to their lands of
such water;
(e) the district will comply fully with all provisions of the
Federal reclamation laws which are not inconsistent with this
Act and the contract executed pursuant to the authority con-
tained herein; and
(f) the contract shall, subject to the district's compliance with
all of its terms and conditions, continue in force until December
31, 1955, and shall be renewed automatically for each of the nine
succeeding calendar years unless either of the parties shall, on or
before November 1 of any year, serve written notice of its inten-
tion that the contract shall not be renewed.
Approved August 12, 1955.
AN ACT

To regulate the election of delegates representing the District of Columbia to national political conventions, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following officials of political parties in the District of Columbia shall be elected as provided in this Act:

(1) National committeemen and national committeewomen;
(2) Delegates to conventions of political parties nominating candidates for the Presidency and Vice Presidency of the United States;
(3) Alternates to the officials referred to in clauses (1) and (2) above, where permitted by political party rules; and
(4) Such members and officials of local committees of political parties as may be designated by the duly authorized local committees of such parties for election at large in the District of Columbia.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 2. For the purposes of this Act—
(1) The term "District" means the District of Columbia.
(2) The term "qualified elector" means a citizen of the United States (A) who does not claim voting residence or right to vote in any State or Territory, and who has resided in the District continuously since the beginning of the one-year period ending on the day of the next election, or, if such period has not begun, resides in the District; (B) who is, or will be on the day of the next election, twenty-one years old; (C) who has never been convicted of a felony in the United States, or if he has been so convicted, has been pardoned; and (D) who is not mentally incompetent as adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction.
(3) The term "Board" means the Board of Elections for the District of Columbia provided for by section 3.

CREATION OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS

SEC. 3. There is hereby created a Board of Elections for the District of Columbia, to be composed of three members appointed by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia. The first terms of offices on the Board shall expire, as designated by the Commissioners, one at the close of December 31 of each of the first three years which begin after the date of enactment of this Act. Subsequent terms of each such office shall be three years beginning January 1 following the expiration of the preceding term of such office. Any person appointed to fill a vacant office shall be appointed only for the unexpired term of such office. Until his successor is appointed and has qualified, a member may continue to serve even though the term of the office to which he was appointed has expired.

QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS

SEC. 4. (a) No person shall be a member of the Board unless he qualifies as an elector and resides in the District. No person may be appointed to the Board unless he has resided in the District continuously since the beginning of the three-year period ending on the day he is appointed. Members of the Board shall hold no other paid office or employment in the District government and shall hold no active office, position or employment in the Federal Government. Not more than two members shall be members of the same political party.
(b) Each member of the Board shall be paid compensation of $25 per day while performing duties under this Act. Except as provided in subsection (a) no person shall be ineligible to serve or to receive compensation as a member of the Board because he occupies another office or position or because he receives compensation (including retirement compensation) from another source. The right to compensation from another source otherwise secured to such a person under the laws of the United States shall not be abridged by the fact of his service or receipt of compensation as a member of the Board, or as an employee of the Board.

FUNCTIONS OF BOARD

SEC. 5. (a) The Board shall—
(1) maintain a permanent registry, keeping it accurate and current;
(2) conduct registrations and elections;
(3) print, distribute, and count ballots, or provide and operate suitable voting machines;
(4) divide the District into appropriate voting precincts, each of which shall contain at least three hundred and fifty registered persons;
(5) operate polling places;
(6) certify nominees and the results of elections; and
(7) perform such other duties as are imposed upon it by this Act.

(b) The Board, and persons authorized by it, may administer oaths to persons executing affidavits pursuant to sections 7 and 8. It may provide for the administering of such other oaths as it considers appropriate to require in the performance of its functions.

(c) The Board may prescribe such regulations as it considers necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

(d) The Board may employ necessary personnel, at such rates of compensation as may be fixed by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, without reference to the provisions of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.

BOARD TO BE INDEPENDENT AGENCY

SEC. 6. (a) In the performance of its duties, the Board shall not be subject to the direction of any nonjudicial officer of the District.

(b) The District government shall furnish to the Board, upon request of the Board, such space and facilities as are available in public buildings in the District to be used as registration or polling places, and such records, information, services, personnel, offices, and equipment, and such other assistance and facilities, as may be necessary to enable the Board properly to perform its functions. Subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, privately owned space, facilities and equipment may be rented for the registration, polling, and other functions of the Board.

REGISTRATION

SEC. 7. (a) No person shall vote in any election in the District unless he is a qualified elector and, except as provided in subsection (e), is registered in the District.

(b) No person shall be registered unless—
(1) he is a qualified elector;
(2) he has resided in the District continuously since the beginning of the nine-month period ending on the day he offers to register; and

(3) he executes a registration affidavit by signature or mark (unless prevented by physical disability) on the form prescribed by the Board pursuant to subsection (c), showing his political affiliation, and that he meets each of the requirements specified in section 2 (2) for a qualified elector as well as the requirement of paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(c) In administering the provisions of subsection (b) (3), the Board shall prepare and use a registration affidavit form in which each request for information is readily understandable and can be satisfied by a concise answer or mark. The Board may request additional information required to determine whether the registrant meets the requirements imposed by or referred to in subsection (b).

(d) The registry shall be kept open except during the fifteen-day period ending on the first Tuesday in May of each presidential election year, and except as provided by the Board in the case of a special election. While the registry is open, any person may apply for registration or change his registration.

(e) If a person is not permitted to register, such person, or any qualified candidate, may appeal to the Board, but not later than three days after the registry is closed for the next election. The Board shall decide within five days after the appeal is perfected whether the challenged elector is entitled to register. If the appeal is denied, the appellant may, within three days after such denial, appeal to the municipal court for the District of Columbia. The decision of such court shall be final and not appealable. If the appeal is upheld by either the Board or the court, the challenged elector shall be allowed to register immediately. If the appeal is pending on election day, the challenged elector may cast a ballot marked “challenged”, as provided in section 9 (d).

NOMINATIONS: CONTENTS OF BALLOTS

SEC. 8. (a) Candidates for office participating in an election held pursuant to this Act shall be the persons registered under section 7 who have been nominated for such office by a petition—

(1) prepared and presented to the Board in accordance with rules prescribed by the Board, but not later than thirty days before the date of the election; and

(2) signed by not less than one hundred voters, registered under section 7, and of the same political party as the nominee.

(b) No person shall hold elected office pursuant to this Act unless he has been a bona fide resident of the District of Columbia continuously since the beginning of the three-year period ending on the date of the next election, and is a qualified elector registered under section 7.

(c) The Board shall arrange the ballot of each political party so as to enable the voters of such party—

(1) to vote for the candidates duly qualified and nominated for election by such party under this Act; and

(2) to answer in the affirmative or negative such questions relating to the conduct of the affairs of such party as the duly authorized local committee of such party may file with the Board in writing: Provided, however, That the questions shall be so filed not later than thirty days before the date of the election.
METHOD OF VOTING

SEC. 9. (a) Voting in all elections shall be secret. Voting may be by paper ballot or voting machine.

(b) The ballot of a person who is registered as a resident of the District shall be valid only if cast in the voting precinct where the residence shown on his registration is located.

(c) Each qualified candidate may have a watcher at each polling place, provided the watcher presents proper credentials signed by the candidate. No one shall interfere with the opportunity of a watcher to observe the conduct of the election at that polling place and the counting of votes. Watchers may challenge prospective voters who are believed to be unqualified to vote.

(d) If the official in charge of the polling place, after hearing both parties to any such challenge or acting on his own initiative with respect to a prospective voter, reasonably believes the prospective voter is unqualified to vote, he shall allow the voter to cast a paper ballot marked “challenged”. Ballots so cast shall be segregated, and no such ballot shall be counted until the challenge has been removed as provided in subsection (e).

(e) If a person has been permitted to vote only by challenged ballot, such person, or any qualified candidate, may appeal to the Board within three days after election day. The Board shall decide within seven days after the appeal is perfected whether the voter was qualified to vote. If the appeal is denied, the appellant may within three days of such denial appeal to the municipal court of the District of Columbia. The decision of such court shall be final and not appealable. If the Board decides that the voter was qualified to vote, the word “challenged” shall be stricken from the voter's ballot and the ballot shall be treated as if it had not been challenged.

(f) If the official in charge of the polling place is satisfied that a qualified elector is unable to record his vote by marking the ballot or operating the voting machine, two officials of the polling place shall on the request of the voter enter the voting booth and vote as directed. The officials shall tell no one how the voter voted. The official in charge of the voting place shall make a return of all such voters, giving their names and disabilities.

(g) No person shall vote more than once in any election nor in an election held by a political party other than that to which he has declared himself to be a member.

(h) Copies of the regulations of the Board with respect to voting shall be made available to prospective voters at each polling place.

ELECTIONS

SEC. 10. (a) The elections of the officials referred to in clauses (1), (2), and (3) of the first section and of officials designated pursuant to clause (4) of such section shall be held on the first Tuesday in May of each presidential election year. Any such election shall be conducted by the Board in conformity with the provisions of this Act. Polls shall be open from 8 o'clock antemeridian to 8 o'clock postmeridian on election days.

(b) Candidates receiving the highest number of votes in said election shall be declared the winners.

(c) In the case of a tie, the candidates receiving the tie vote shall cast lots before the Board, at 12 o'clock noon on a date to be set by the Board, but not sooner than ten days following the election, and the one to whom the lot shall fall shall be declared the winner. If any candidate or candidates, receiving a tie vote, fail to appear before
12 o'clock noon on said day, the Board shall cast lots for him or them. For the purpose of casting lots any candidate may appear in person, or by proxy appointed in writing.

(d) In the event that any official elected pursuant to this Act dies during his or her term of office leaving no person elected pursuant to this Act to serve the remainder of the unexpired term of office, the successor or successors to serve the remainder of such term shall be chosen pursuant to the rules of the duly authorized local committee.

RECOUNTS AND CONTESTS

SEC. 11. (a) If, within seven days after the Board certifies the results of an election, any qualified candidate at such election petitions the Board to have the votes cast at such election recounted in one or more voting precincts, the Board shall order such recount. In each such case, the petitioner shall deposit a fee of $20 for each precinct petitioned to be recounted. If the cost of the recount is less than $20 per precinct, the difference shall be refunded. If the result of the election is changed as a result of the recount, the entire amount deposited by the petitioner shall be refunded. Such recounts shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by the Board by regulation.

(b) Within seven days after the Board certifies the results of an election, any person who voted in the election may petition the United States District Court for the District of Columbia to review such election. In response to such a petition, the court may set aside the results so certified and declare the true results of the election, or void the election in whole or in part. To determine the true results of an election the court may order a recount or take other appropriate action, whether or not a recount has been conducted or requested pursuant to subsection (a). The court shall void an election only for fraud, mistake, the making of expenditures by a candidate in violation of this Act, or other defect, serious enough to vitiate the election as a fair expression of the will of the registered qualified electors voting therein. If the court voids an election it may order a special election, which shall be conducted in such manner (comparable to that prescribed for regular elections), and at such time, as the Board shall prescribe. The decision of such court shall be final and not appealable.

INTERFERENCE WITH REGISTRATION OR VOTING

SEC. 12. No one shall interfere with the registration or voting of another person, except as it may be reasonably necessary in the performance of a duty imposed by law.

EXPENDITURES

SEC. 13. (a) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury to the credit of the District of Columbia not otherwise appropriated, such amounts as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

(b) Subject to the penalties provided in this Act, a candidate for national committeeman, national committeewoman, delegate, or alternate, in his campaign for election, shall not make expenditures in excess of $2,500.

(c) No independent committee or party committee shall receive contributions aggregating more than $100,000, or make expenditures aggregating more than $100,000 for any campaign covered by this Act.

(d) No person shall, directly or indirectly, make contribution in an aggregate amount in excess of $5,000 in connection with any campaign.
for election of any national committeeman, national committeewoman, delegate, or alternate.

(e) Every candidate and independent committee or party committee shall, within ten days after the election, file with the Board of Elections an itemized statement, subscribed and sworn to, by the candidate or committee treasurer, as the case may be, setting forth all moneys received and expended in connection with said election, the names of persons from whom received and to whom paid, and the purpose for which it was expended. Such statement shall set forth any unpaid debts and obligations incurred by the candidate or independent committee or party committee with regard to such election, and specify the balance, if any, of such election funds remaining in his or their hands.

PENALTIES

SEC. 14. Any person who shall register, or attempt to register, under the provisions of this Act and make any false representations as to his place of residence or his voting privilege in any other part of the United States, or be guilty of bribery or intimidation of any voter at the elections herein provided for, or, being registered, shall vote or attempt to vote more than once in any election so held, or shall purloin or secrete any of the votes cast in such elections, or attempt to vote in an election held by a political party other than that to which he has declared himself to be affiliated, or, if employed in the counting of votes in such elections, make a false report in regard thereto, and every candidate, person, or official of any political committee who shall make any expenditure or contribution in violation of this Act, shall upon conviction thereof be fined not more than $500 or be imprisoned not more than ninety days, or both. The provisions of this section shall be supplemental to and not in derogation of any penalties under other laws of the District of Columbia.

Approved August 12, 1955.

Public Law 377

CHAPTER 863

AN ACT

To provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination programs, and for other purposes.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Poliomyelitis Vaccination Assistance Act of 1955".

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, to remain available until February 15, 1956, such sums as may be necessary for making payments to States which have submitted, and had approved by the Surgeon General, applications for grants under this Act.

ALLOTMENTS TO STATES

Sec. 3. (a) From the sums appropriated pursuant to section 2, the Surgeon General shall allot to each State which has an application approved pursuant to section 4—

(1) an amount equal to 33 1/3 per centum of the number of unvaccinated eligible persons in such State multiplied by the product of (A) the cost of the poliomyelitis vaccine per eligible person, and (B) the State's allotment percentage; and
an additional amount equal to 20 per centum of allotments available to the State under paragraph (1) of this subsection, such additional amount to be available for expenditure only in accordance with the provisions of section 6 (b) of this Act.

(b) A State's allotment percentage shall be equal to the per capita income of the United States divided by the per capita income of the State. Such percentage shall be determined by the Surgeon General on the basis of information furnished by the Department of Commerce; except that the allotment percentage for Hawaii shall be 100 per centum and for Alaska, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Canal Zone shall be equal to the allotment percentage determined above for the one of the forty-eight States which has the lowest per capita income.

STATE APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS

SEC. 4. The Surgeon General shall approve the application of any State for payments under this Act if such application—

(a) provides that all poliomyelitis vaccine purchased with funds paid to the State under this Act shall be used for the vaccination of eligible persons pursuant to a plan which sets forth the method or methods by which vaccinations will be made available within the State (through public agencies, approved non-profit organizations, private physicians, or otherwise): Provided, That the Surgeon General may, for the purpose of assuring the most effective and equitable distribution and use of available supplies of poliomyelitis vaccine, establish categories of eligible persons to be accorded priority in receiving an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis; and, except to the extent that the Surgeon General authorizes deviations from such categories, during any period in which any categories have been so established, all vaccine acquired by any State through assistance provided pursuant to this Act shall be made available only to persons within any such category;

(b) provides that in poliomyelitis vaccination programs conducted by public agencies in the State no means test or other discrimination based on financial ability of individuals will be imposed to limit the eligibility of persons to receive vaccination against poliomyelitis;

(c) provides for administration or supervision of administration of the plan included in the application by a single State agency;

(d) provides that the State agency will make such reports, in such form and containing such information, as the Surgeon General may from time to time reasonably require to carry out his functions under this Act, and comply with such provisions as he may from time to time find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports; and

(e) provides such accounting, budgeting, and other fiscal methods and procedures as are necessary for the proper and efficient administration of the plan.

PAYMENTS TO STATES

SEC. 5. The Surgeon General shall from time to time estimate the amount to be paid to each State under the provisions of this Act for any period, and shall pay such amount to such State, from the allotment available therefor, reduced or increased, as the case may be, by any sum (not previously adjusted under this section) by which
he finds that his estimate of the amount to be paid to the State for any prior period under this Act was greater or less than the amount which should have been paid to the State for such prior period under this Act. Such payments shall be made in such installments as the Surgeon General may determine.

USE OF FUNDS PAID TO STATES

SEC. 6. (a) Funds paid to a State from that part of its allotment computed in accordance with section 3 (a) (1) of this Act may be used solely for the purchase, prior to February 15, 1956, of the poliomyelitis vaccine for use in carrying out the plan set forth in the application of such State approved pursuant to section 4.

(b) Funds paid to a State from that part of its allotment computed in accordance with section 3 (a) (2) of this Act may be used prior to February 15, 1956, only for planning poliomyelitis vaccination programs within the State and for conducting such programs through public agencies in the State in accordance with the plan set forth in the application of such State approved pursuant to section 4; except that any part of such funds determined by the State to be in excess of the amount necessary for such purposes may be used for the purposes specified in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Nothing in this Act shall limit funds granted to a State under other provisions of Federal legislation from being available to purchase poliomyelitis vaccine or to plan and conduct poliomyelitis vaccination programs in accordance with approved State plans applicable to such grants.

FURNISHING OF VACCINE BY SURGEON GENERAL

SEC. 7. At the request of any State the Surgeon General may use all or any portion of the allotment of such State under this Act for the purchase, in accordance with State specifications, of the poliomyelitis vaccine, to be furnished to the State in lieu of such State’s allotment (or such portion thereof). Vaccine so furnished shall be subject to the same requirements as to use as vaccine purchased from payments to States pursuant to this Act.

DIVERSION OF FEDERAL FUNDS

SEC. 8. Whenever the Surgeon General, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing to the State agency administering or supervising the administration of the plan included in the application of such State approved under section 4, finds that—

(a) such State agency is not complying substantially with the provisions of this Act or the terms and conditions of its approved application; or

(b) any funds paid to such State or supplies of vaccine furnished to it under this Act have been diverted from the purposes for which paid or furnished;

the Surgeon General shall notify such State agency that no further payments will be made (or no further supplies of vaccine will be furnished) to the State under this Act until he is satisfied that there is no longer any failure to comply or the diversion has been corrected or, if compliance or correction is impossible, until such State agency repays or arranges for the repayment of Federal funds which have been diverted or improperly expended (or for repayment of the cost of the vaccine which has been diverted).
EXERCISE OF FUNCTIONS

SEC. 9. The functions granted to the Surgeon General under this Act shall be exercised under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 10. For purposes of this Act—
(a) The term "Surgeon General" means the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.
(b) (1) The term "eligible person" means any individual who has not attained the age of twenty years and any expectant mother.
(2) The number of eligible persons shall be determined by the Surgeon General, as of June 30, 1955, on the basis of estimates developed after consideration of the latest information furnished by the Department of Commerce or any other department or agency of the United States.
(3) The number of unvaccinated eligible persons means the number of eligible persons, reduced by (A) the number who were vaccinated against poliomyelitis during 1954, and (B) two-thirds of the number who the Surgeon General estimates will receive vaccination under the current program of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.
(c) The term "State" includes Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Canal Zone, and the District of Columbia.
(d) The cost of the poliomyelitis vaccine shall be determined by the Surgeon General on the basis of information available to him; and such cost may be determined from time to time or as of a specified date and may be determined to be a single figure for all States or varied in accordance with actual cost.
(e) The term "approved nonprofit organization" means, in the case of any State, a nonprofit organization approved by the State agency responsible for administration or supervision of administration of the State plan.

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Public Law 378

AN ACT

To provide for settlement of claims resulting from the disaster which occurred at Texas City, Texas, on April 16 and 17, 1947.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, The Congress recognizes and assumes the compassionate responsibility of the United States for the losses sustained by reason of the explosions and fires at Texas City, Texas, and hereby provides the procedure by which the amounts shall be determined and paid.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Army or such persons as he may designate shall investigate and settle claims against the United States for death, personal injury, and property losses proximately resulting from the disaster at Texas City, Texas, on April 16 and 17, 1947, commonly referred to as the Texas City disaster.

SEC. 3. (a) Claimants shall submit their claims in writing to the Secretary of the Army, under such rules as he prescribes, within one hundred eighty days after the enactment of this Act.
No claim shall be entertained by the Secretary of the Army unless it shall appear to his satisfaction that such claim was a part of a civil action filed against the United States in a United States district court prior to April 25, 1950, except that, for good cause, the Secretary may waive the limitation date of April 25, 1950, where it is shown that claimant, by reason of infancy, insanity, or other legal reason, was unable to bring such civil action.

(b) The Secretary of the Army shall promulgate and publish rules of procedure for handling the claims referred to in section 2 within sixty days after the date of enactment of this Act.

He shall determine and fix the amount of awards, if any, in each claim within twelve months from the date on which the claim was submitted.

Except as otherwise provided herein, the law of the State of Texas shall apply.

Sec. 4. Since it is the intention and purpose of this Act, and of the Congress, to relieve the claimants hereunder, the Secretary of the Army shall limit himself to the determination of—

(1) whether the losses sustained resulted from the explosions and fires at Texas City on April 16 and 17, 1947;

(2) the amounts to be allowed and paid pursuant to this Act; and

(3) the persons entitled to receive the same.

Sec. 5. (a) Claims for awards based on death shall be submitted only by duly authorized legal representatives. No claim under this subsection shall be approved by the Secretary of the Army in amount in excess of $25,000.

(b) No claims for personal injuries may be approved by the Secretary of the Army in amount in excess of $25,000.

(c) No claim for property losses may be approved by the Secretary of the Army in amount in excess of $25,000.

Sec. 6. (a) In determining the amounts to be awarded for death, personal injury, or property losses, the Secretary of the Army shall reduce any such amount by an amount equal to the total of insurance benefits (except life insurance benefits), or other payments or settlements of any nature, previously paid with respect to such death claims, personal injury, or property loss.

(b) Payments approved by the Secretary of the Army on death, personal injury, and property loss claims, shall not be subject to insurance subrogation claims in any respect.

(c) The Secretary of the Army shall not include in an award any amount for reimbursement to any insurance company or compensation insurance fund for loss payments made by such company or fund.

(d) Except as to the United States, no claim cognizable under this Act shall be assigned or transferred.

Sec. 7. The Secretary of the Treasury shall pay out of moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the claims referred to in this Act in the amounts approved for payment by the Secretary of the Army.

Sec. 8. A payment made under the provisions of section 7 shall be in full settlement and discharge of all claims against the Government of the United States.

Sec. 9. The Secretary of the Army shall require assignment to the United States of any right of action against a third party arising from the death, personal injury, or property loss claim with respect to which settlement is made.

Sec. 10. The Secretary of the Army shall, twenty-four months after the date of enactment of this Act transmit to the Congress—
(a) a statement of each claim submitted to the Secretary of the Army in accordance with this Act which has not been settled by him, with supporting papers and a report of his findings of facts and recommendations; and
(b) a report of each claim settled by him and paid pursuant to this Act. The reports shall contain a brief statement concerning the character and justice of each claim, the amount claimed, and the amount approved and paid.

Sec. 11. Attorney and agent fees shall be paid out of the awards hereunder. No attorney or agent on account of services rendered in connection with each claim shall receive in excess of 10 per centum of the amount paid, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding.

Whoever violates the provisions of this Act shall be fined a sum not to exceed $5,000.

Sec. 12. If any particular provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of the Act shall not be affected thereby.

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Public Law 379

AN ACT

To repeal the manufacturers excise tax on motorcycles.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4061 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to tax on certain motor vehicles) is hereby amended by striking out "Motorcycles."

Sec. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall apply only with respect to articles sold on or after the first day of the first month which begins more than ten days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Approved August 12, 1955.

Public Law 380

AN ACT

To provide for the granting of career-conditional and career appointments to certain qualified employees.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the appointment of each employee of the Federal Government or the municipal government of the District of Columbia who—

(1) on the effective date of this Act is serving under an indefinite or temporary appointment in a position in the competitive civil service other than a position for which the salary is fixed by the Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955 (Public Law 68, Eighty-fourth Congress);
(2) on January 23, 1955, was serving in a position in the competitive civil service;
(3) from January 23, 1955, to the effective date of this Act, served in a position or positions in the competitive civil service without break in service;
(4) (A) during the period beginning June 3, 1950, and ending January 23, 1955, passed a qualifying examination for a position...
in the competitive civil service in which he served during such period, or (B) within one year after the effective date of this Act meets such noncompetitive examination standards as the United States Civil Service Commission shall prescribe with respect to the position which he holds at the time he makes the application prescribed by this section; and

(5) has completed, prior to making such application, a total of continuous or intermittent satisfactory service aggregating not less than three years on the rolls in a position or positions in the competitive civil service;

shall, upon application by such employee made within one year after the effective date of this Act to the appropriate department, agency, or establishment concerned, and upon recommendation by such department, agency, or establishment, be converted to a career-conditional appointment or a career appointment determined by the appropriate United States Civil Service Commission regulations governing conversions to career-conditional or career appointments in accordance with Executive Order Numbered 10577, dated November 22, 1954.

Sec. 2. The appointment in the competitive civil service of each employee who—

(1) (A) was appointed on or after December 20, 1941, to a position in the Workhouse at Occoquan in the State of Virginia, the Reformatory at Lorton in the State of Virginia, or the Washington Asylum and Jail, (B) was appointed to a position in the Department of Corrections of the District of Columbia (as constituted on and after June 27, 1946) with a war service indefinite appointment, or (C) was appointed on or after June 27, 1946, and prior to January 1, 1955, to a position in such Department of Corrections, without regard to the civil-service laws, rules, and regulations;

(2) is in a position in the Department of Corrections of the District of Columbia on the effective date of this Act;

(3) has completed, prior to making the application prescribed by this section, a total of continuous or intermittent satisfactory service aggregating not less than three years in a position or positions in the municipal government of the District of Columbia; and

(4) within one year after the effective date of this Act meets such noncompetitive examination standards as the United States Civil Service Commission shall prescribe with respect to the position which he holds at the time he makes the application prescribed by this section;

shall, upon application by such employee made within one year after the effective date of this Act to the appropriate department, agency, or establishment concerned, and upon recommendation by such department, agency, or establishment, be converted to a career-conditional appointment or a career appointment determined by the appropriate United States Civil Service Commission regulations governing conversions to career-conditional or career appointments in accordance with Executive Order Numbered 10577, dated November 22, 1954.

Sec. 3. Each individual who—

(1) was serving in a position in the competitive civil service under an indefinite appointment on January 23, 1955; (2) between January 23, 1955, and the effective date of this Act, was involuntarily separated from the competitive civil service for any reason other than for cause;

(3) (A) during the period beginning June 3, 1950, and ending January 23, 1955, passed a qualifying examination for a
position in which he served during such period, or (B) within one year after the effective date of this Act, meets such non-competitive examination standards as the United States Civil Service Commission shall prescribe; and

(4) has completed, prior to reappointment under this section, a total of continuous or intermittent satisfactory service aggregating not less than three years on the rolls in a position or positions in the competitive civil service;

may, during the period ending two years after the effective date of this Act, be reappointed without competitive examination to a position in the competitive civil service for which he is qualified and such reappointment (except reappointment to a position involving temporary job employment) shall be a career-conditional appointment or a career appointment determined by the appropriate United States Civil Service Commission regulations governing conversions to career-conditional or career appointments in accordance with Executive Order Numbered 10577, dated November 22, 1954.

SEC. 4. The United States Civil Service Commission is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate such rules and regulations as it determines to be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5. Nothing in this Act shall affect, or be construed to affect, the application of section 1310 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952 (Public Law 253, Eighty-second Congress), as amended.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect on the ninetieth day following the date of its enactment.

Approved August 12, 1955.

Public Law 381

AN ACT

To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 in order to increase the national minimum wage, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the “Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1955”.

SEC. 2. Subsection (d) of section 4 of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: “Such report shall contain an evaluation and appraisal by the Secretary of the minimum wages established by this Act, together with his recommendations to the Congress. In making such evaluation and appraisal, the Secretary shall take into consideration any changes which may have occurred in the cost of living and in productivity and the level of wages in manufacturing, the ability of employers to absorb wage increases, and such other factors as he may deem pertinent.”

SEC. 3. Effective March 1, 1956, paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of section 6 of such Act is amended by striking out “75 cents” and inserting in lieu thereof “$1”.

SEC. 4. Effective July 1, 1956, subsection (a) of section 8 of such Act is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following: “Minimum rates of wages established in accordance with this section shall be reviewed by such a committee at least once each fiscal year.”

SEC. 5. (a) Subsection (a) of section 5 of such Act is amended by striking out “and the administrator” in the last sentence.

(b) Subsection (b) of section 8 of such Act is amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “The industry committee shall investigate conditions in the
industry and the committee, or any authorized subcommittee thereof, shall after due notice hear such witnesses and receive such evidence as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the committee to perform its duties and functions under this Act."

(c) Subsection (c) of section 8 is amended by striking out "and the Administrator" in the second sentence.

(d) Subsection (d) of section 8 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"(d) The industry committee shall file with the Secretary a report containing its findings of fact and recommendations with respect to the matters referred to it. Upon the filing of such report, the Secretary shall publish such recommendations in the Federal Register and shall provide by order that the recommendations contained in such report shall take effect upon the expiration of 15 days after the date of such publication."

(e) Subsection (e) of section 8 of such Act is amended by striking out the last sentence.

(f) Subsection (a) of section 10 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 10. (a) Any person aggrieved by an order of the Secretary issued under section 8 may obtain a review of such order in the United States Court of Appeals for any circuit wherein such person resides or has his principal place of business, or in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, by filing in such court, within 60 days after the entry of such order a written petition praying that the order of the Secretary be modified or set aside in whole or in part. A copy of such petition shall forthwith be served upon the Secretary, and thereupon the Secretary shall certify and file in the court a transcript of the record of the industry committee upon which the order complained of was entered. Upon the filing of such transcript such court shall have exclusive jurisdiction to affirm, modify, or set aside such order in whole or in part, so far as it is applicable to the petitioner. The review by the court shall be limited to questions of law, and findings of fact by such industry committee when supported by substantial evidence shall be conclusive. No objection to the order of the Secretary shall be considered by the court unless such objection shall have been urged before such industry committee or unless there were reasonable grounds for failure so to do. If application is made to the court for leave to adduce additional evidence, and it is shown to the satisfaction of the court that such additional evidence may materially affect the result of the proceeding and that there were reasonable grounds for failure to adduce such evidence in the proceedings before such industry committee, the court may order such additional evidence to be taken before such industry committee and to be adduced upon the hearing in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as to the court may seem proper. Such industry committee may modify the initial findings by reason of the additional evidence so taken, and shall file with the court such modified or new findings which if supported by substantial evidence shall be conclusive, and shall also file its recommendation, if any, for the modification or setting aside of the original order. The judgment and decree of the court shall be final, subject to review by the Supreme Court of the United States upon certiorari or certification as provided in section 1254 of title 28 of the United States Code."

Sec. 6. The term "Secretary" as used in this Act and in amendments made by this Act means the Secretary of Labor.

Approved August 12, 1955.
Public Law 382  

AN ACT  
To amend Public Laws 815 and 874, Eighty-first Congress, which provide for assistance to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities, and for other purposes.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,  

EXTENSION OF PUBLIC LAW 874  

SECTION 1. The first sentence of section 2 (a) of the Act of September 30, 1950 (Public Law 874, Eighty-first Congress), as amended, is amended by striking out “five succeeding fiscal years” and inserting “six succeeding fiscal years”. Sections 3 (a), 3 (c), 4 (a), and 8 (d) of such Act are amended by striking out “1956” wherever appearing therein and inserting “1957”. Section 3 (c) (2) (D) of such Act is amended by inserting after “July 1, 1955,” the following: “and the succeeding fiscal year;”. Section 10 (a) of such Act is amended by striking out “or the succeeding fiscal year” in the first sentence and inserting “or either of the two succeeding fiscal years”; and by striking out the second sentence and inserting the following: “Notice of such an election shall be filed with the Secretary of the Interior and with the Commissioner of Education before January 1 of the calendar year in which the fiscal year in question begins.”.  

PAYMENTS UNDER PUBLIC LAW 874 FOR CURRENT INCREASES IN FEDERALLY CONNECTED CHILDREN  

SEC. 2. Section 4 (a) (1) of such Act is amended by striking out “at least 5 per centum of the number of all children in average daily attendance at the schools of such agency during the preceding fiscal year” and inserting “at least 5 per centum of the difference between the number of children in average daily attendance at the schools of such agency during the preceding fiscal year and the number of such children whose attendance during such year resulted from activities of the United States (including children who resided on Federal property or with a parent employed on Federal property)”.  

POSTPONEMENT OF 3 PER CENTUM “ABSORPTION” REQUIREMENT UNDER PUBLIC LAW 874  

SEC. 3. The Act of August 31, 1954 (Public Law 732, Eighty-third Congress), is amended by inserting after “June 30, 1955,” the following: “and the succeeding fiscal year”.  

TRANSFER OF TEMPORARY SCHOOL FACILITIES MADE AVAILABLE UNDER PUBLIC LAW 815  

SEC. 4. Sections 203 and 309 of the Act of September 23, 1950 (Public Law 815, Eighty-first Congress), as amended, are each amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: “The Commissioner may transfer to such agency or its successor all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to any temporary facilities made available to such agency under this section; any such transfer shall be without charge, but may be made on such other terms and conditions, and at such time, as the Commissioner deems appropriate to carry out the purposes of this title.” The amendments made by this section shall apply to any facility made available.
Sec. 5. (a) Section 304 of such Act is amended, effective December 1, 1954, by striking out "the number of such children who will otherwise be without such facilities at such time shall be determined by reference to those facilities which (A) are built or under contract as of the date set by the Commissioner under section 303 for filing applications for payments from the funds out of which such Federal share is to be paid" and inserting the following: "the number of such children who will otherwise be without such facilities at such time shall be determined by reference to those facilities which (A) are built or under contract as of the earliest date set by the Commissioner under section 303, on or before which the application for such project is filed".

(b) Such section is further amended by inserting "(a)" after "Sec. 304." and by adding at the end of section the following new subsection:

"(b)(1) Where a local educational agency filed an application for payments under this title on or before November 24, 1953, and after that date entered into any construction contract which had the effect of diminishing or eliminating payments to such agency on the basis of the application, the Commissioner shall pay to such agency, out of funds appropriated pursuant to this subsection, an amount equal to the difference between the amount, if any, reserved on the basis of the application and the amount which would have been reserved on the basis of the application out of funds appropriated by the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1954, if such funds had been sufficient to permit payments without establishing priorities under section 303.

"(2) Payments under this subsection shall be made upon request of the local educational agency involved, filed with the Commissioner within ninety days after the date on which funds are appropriated to make such payments. Except as provided in paragraph (3), such payments shall be made in a lump sum, and shall be made upon condition that the funds paid shall be used solely to finance the construction of school facilities for such agency (including the payment of obligations incurred with respect to school facilities constructed before the enactment of this subsection).

"(3) If, as of the date on which funds are appropriated to make payments under this subsection, any agency to which this subsection applies has not provided minimum school facilities (determined by reference to those facilities which, as of such date, are built or under contract, or are included in a project the application for which has been approved under this title) for the estimated number of children who will be in the membership of its schools at the close of the regular school year 1955-1956, its request shall set forth one or more projects for the construction of minimum school facilities for such children, and with respect to such projects shall meet the requirements of section 205 (b) (1). If, and only if, the projects included in its request and approved for payment will provide minimum school facilities for the number of children for whom such facilities have not been provided, as determined under the preceding sentence, the balance, if any, of the amount payable to such agency under this subsection shall be paid to it in accordance with paragraph (2). Upon approval of the request, payments with respect to each project included in the request shall be made under section 307 as if an application for such project had been approved under section 306."
ASSISTANCE UNDER PUBLIC LAW 815 FOR CHILDREN RESIDING ON INDIAN LAND OUTSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Sec. 6. (a) Paragraph (1) of section 401 (a) of such Act is amended by inserting before the semicolon the following: "or that the total number of such children who reside on Indian lands located outside the school district of such agency equals or exceeds 100".

(b) Such section 401 (a) is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Assistance may be furnished under this subsection without regard to paragraph (2) (but subject to the other provisions of this subsection and subsection (c)) to any local educational agency which provides free public education for children who reside on Indian lands located outside its school district. For purposes of this subsection 'Indian lands' means Indian reservations or other real property referred to in the third sentence of section 210 (1).".

(c) Section 401 (b) of such Act is amended (1) by striking out "the succeeding fiscal year" and inserting in lieu thereof "the two succeeding fiscal years", and (2) by striking out "June 30, 1955" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1956".

PAYMENTS UNDER PUBLIC LAW 815 TO DISTRICTS UNABLE TO FINANCE NON-FEDERAL SHARE OF PROJECTS

Sec. 7. Section 308 of such Act is amended by inserting "(a)" after "Sec. 308." and by adding at the end of the section the following new subsection:

"(b) Where a local educational agency filed an application for payments under this section before June 30, 1954, and such agency met all the requirements established for approval of such application except the 20 per centum requirement as to children countable for payments under this title (45 C. F. R., 1954 Supp., 107.8 (b) (2)), and the number of children countable for the purposes of such requirement was equal to 10 per centum or more of the average daily membership of such agency for the school year 1953–1954, the Commissioner shall pay to such agency, out of funds appropriated pursuant to this subsection, an amount equal to the amount which would have been reserved on the basis of such application if such requirement had been met. Payments under this subsection shall be made upon application by the local educational agency involved, filed with the Commissioner on or before November 1, 1955, which shall set forth one or more projects for the construction of minimum school facilities for such agency, and shall meet the requirements of section 205 (b) (1) with respect to such projects. Upon approval of an application under this subsection, payments with respect to each project included in the application shall be made under section 307 as if an application for such project had been approved under section 306."

Approved August 12, 1955.

Public Law 383

AN ACT


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, effective with respect to annuities accruing in months following the month of enactment hereof, section 2 (e) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, as
amended, is amended by striking out “than $40” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “, with respect to any month, than an amount equal to the maximum amount which could be paid to anyone, with respect to such month, as a wife’s insurance benefit under section 202 (b) of the Social Security Act as amended from time to time”.

Sec. 2. Effective with respect to annuities accruing in months following the month of enactment hereof, section 5 (g) (2) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, as amended, is amended by striking out the second sentence thereof.

Sec. 3. Effective as of January 1, 1955, section 5 (1) (9) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, as amended, is amended by striking out the language between “(ii)” and “(B)” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “if such compensation for any calendar year before 1955 is less than $3,600 or for any calendar year after 1954 is less than $4,200 and the average monthly remuneration computed on compensation alone is less than $350 and the employee has earned in such calendar year ‘wages’ as defined in paragraph (6) hereof, such wages, in an amount not to exceed the difference between the compensation for such year and $3,600 for years before 1955 and $4,200 for years after 1954, by”.

Sec. 4. Effective as of the dates of their original enactment, section 12 of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, as amended, and section 2 (e) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, are each amended by striking out “No” and inserting in lieu thereof “Notwithstanding any other law of the United States, or of any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, no”.

Sec. 5. Section 10 (b) 4 of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, as amended, is amended by inserting immediately after the first sentence thereof the following sentence: “All positions to which such individuals are appointed, except one administrative assistant to each member of the Board, shall be in and under the competitive civil service and shall not be removed or excepted therefrom.”

Sec. 6. The second paragraph of section 12 (1) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by inserting immediately before the first colon therein the following: “Provided, That all positions to which such persons are appointed, except one administrative assistant to each member of the Board, shall be in and under the competitive civil service and shall not be removed or excepted therefrom”.

Approved August 12, 1955.
SEC. 3. The Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by adding a new section to chapter 1 of subtitle A immediately following section 1341 to read as follows:

"SEC. 1342. COMPUTATION OF TAX WHERE TAXPAYER RECOVERS SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT HELD BY ANOTHER UNDER CLAIM OF RIGHT.

"(a) GENERAL RULE.—If—

"(1) an item was deducted from gross income for a prior taxable year (or years) because it appeared that another person held an unrestricted right to such item as a result of a court decision in a patent infringement suit (whether or not the taxpayer is a party to such suit); and

"(2) gross income is increased for the taxable year because it was established after the close of such prior taxable year (or years) that such other person did not have an unrestricted right to such item or to a portion of such item because of the subsequent reversal of such court decision on the ground that such decision was induced by fraud or undue influence; and

"(3) the amount of such increase in gross income exceeds $3,000, then the tax imposed by this chapter for the taxable year shall be the lesser of the following:

"(4) the tax for the taxable year computed with the gross income so increased; or

"(5) an amount equal to—

"(A) the tax for the taxable year computed without such increase in gross income, plus

"(B) the increase in tax (including interest) under this chapter (or the corresponding provisions of prior revenue laws) for the prior taxable year (or years) which would result solely from the elimination of such item (or portion thereof) as a deduction from gross income for such prior taxable year (or years).

"(b) SPECIAL RULE.—For purposes of subsection (a) (5) (B) interest shall be computed from the due date of the return for such prior taxable year to the due date of the return for the taxable year."

Sec. 4. The amendment made by section 3 of this Act shall apply with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1954.

Approved August 12, 1955.

Public Law 385

AN ACT

To amend section 1233 and section 542 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1233 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by adding at the end thereof a new subsection as follows:

"(f) ARBITRAGE OPERATIONS IN SECURITIES.—In the case of a short sale which had been entered into as an arbitrage operation, to which sale the rule of subsection (b) (2) would apply except as otherwise provided in this subsection—

"(1) subsection (b) (2) shall apply first to substantially identical assets acquired for arbitrage operations held at the close
of business on the day such sale is made, and only to the extent that the quantity sold short exceeds the substantially identical assets acquired for arbitrage operations held at the close of business on the day such sale is made, shall the holding period of any other such identical assets held by the taxpayer be affected;

"(2) in the event that assets acquired for arbitrage operations are disposed of in such manner as to create a net short position in assets acquired for arbitrage operations, such net short position shall be deemed to constitute a short sale made on that day;

"(3) for the purpose of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection the taxpayer will be deemed as of the close of any business day to hold property which he is or will be entitled to receive or acquire by virtue of any other asset acquired for arbitrage operations or by virtue of any contract he has entered into in an arbitrage operation; and

"(4) for the purpose of this subsection arbitrage operations are transactions involving the purchase and sale of assets for the purpose of profiting from a current difference between the price of the asset purchased and the price of the asset sold, and in which the asset purchased, if not identical to the asset sold, is such that by virtue thereof the taxpayer is, or will be, entitled to acquire assets identical to the assets sold. Such operations must be clearly identified by the taxpayer in his records as arbitrage operations on the day of the transaction or as soon thereafter as may be practicable. Assets acquired for arbitrage operations will include stocks and securities and the right to acquire stocks and securities."

Sec. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall apply only with respect to taxable years ending after the date of the enactment of this Act and only in the case of a short sale of property made by the taxpayer after such date.

Sec. 3. Section 452 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (defining the term "personal holding company") is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "The preceding sentence shall not apply in the case of an organization or trust organized or created before July 1, 1950, if at all times on or after July 1, 1950, and before the close of the taxable year such organization or trust has owned all of the common stock and at least 80 percent of the total number of shares of all other classes of stock of the corporation, but only if such organization or trust is not denied exemption under section 504 or an unlimited charitable deduction is not denied under section 681 (c) and, for this purpose—

"(A) all income of the corporation which is available for distribution as dividends to its shareholders at the close of any taxable year shall be deemed to have been distributed at the close of such year whether or not any portion of such income was in fact distributed; and

"(B) section 504 (a) (1) and section 681 (c) (1) shall also not apply to income attributable to property of a decedent dying before January 1, 1951, which was transferred during his lifetime to a trust or property that was transferred under his will to such trust."

Sec. 4. The amendment made by section 3 of this Act shall apply only with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1954. Approve August 12, 1955.
AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the principal purpose of increasing the supply of water available for irrigation and other beneficial uses in the Central Valley of California, the Secretary of the Interior, acting pursuant to the Federal reclamation laws (Act of June 17, 1902, 32 Stat. 388, and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto), is authorized to construct, operate, and maintain, as an addition to and an integral part of the Central Valley project, California, the Trinity River division consisting of a major storage reservoir on the Trinity River with a capacity of two million five hundred thousand acre-feet, a conveyance system consisting of tunnels, dams, and appurtenant works to transport Trinity River water to the Sacramento River and provide, by means of storage as necessary, such control and conservation of Clear Creek flows as the Secretary determines proper to carry out the purposes of this Act, hydroelectric powerplants with a total generating capacity of approximately two hundred thirty-three thousand kilowatts, and such electric transmission facilities as may be required to deliver the output of said powerplants to other facilities of the Central Valley project and to furnish energy in Trinity County: Provided, That the Secretary is authorized and directed to continue to a conclusion the engineering studies and negotiations with any non-Federal agency with respect to proposals to purchase falling water and, not later than eighteen months from the date of enactment of this Act, report the results of such negotiations, including the terms of a proposed agreement, if any, that may be reached, together with his recommendations thereon, which agreement, if any, shall not become effective until approved by Congress. The works authorized to be constructed shall also include a conduit or canal extending from the most practicable point on the Sacramento River near Redding in an easterly direction to intersect with Cow Creek, with such pumping plants, regulatory reservoirs, and other appurtenant works as may be necessary to bring about maximum beneficial use of project water supplies in the area.

Sec. 2. Subject to the provisions of this Act, the operation of the Trinity River division shall be integrated and coordinated, from both a financial and an operational standpoint, with the operation of other features of the Central Valley project, as presently authorized and as may in the future be authorized by Act of Congress, in such manner as will effectuate the fullest, most beneficial, and most economic utilization of the water resources hereby made available: Provided, That the Secretary is authorized and directed to adopt appropriate measures to insure the preservation and propagation of fish and wildlife, including, but not limited to, the maintenance of the flow of the Trinity River below the diversion point at not less than one hundred and fifty cubic feet per second for the months July through November and the flow of Clear Creek below the diversion point at not less than fifteen cubic feet per second unless the Secretary and the California Fish and Game Commission determine and agree that lesser flows would be adequate for maintenance of fish life and propagation thereof; the Secretary shall also allocate to the preservation and propagation of fish and wildlife, as provided in the Act of August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1080), an appropriate share of the
costs of constructing the Trinity River development and of operating and maintaining the same, such costs to be non-reimbursable: Provided further, That not less than 50,000 acre-feet shall be released annually from the Trinity Reservoir and made available to Humboldt County and downstream water users.

SEC. 3. The Secretary is authorized to investigate, plan, construct, operate, and maintain minimum basic facilities for access to, and for the maintenance of public health and safety and the protection of public property on, lands withdrawn or acquired for the development of the Trinity River division, to conserve the scenery and the natural, historic, and archeologic objects, and to provide for public use and enjoyment of the same and of the water areas created by these developments by such means as are consistent with their primary purposes. The Secretary is authorized to withdraw from entry or other disposition under the public land laws such public lands as are necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of said minimum basic facilities and for the other purposes specified in this section and to dispose of such lands to Federal, State, and local governmental agencies by lease, transfer, exchange, or conveyance upon such terms and conditions as will best promote their development and operation in the public interest. The Secretary is further authorized to investigate the need for acquiring other lands for said purposes and to report thereon to the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives, but no lands shall be acquired solely for any of these purposes other than access to project lands and the maintenance of public health and safety and the protection of public property thereon without further authorization by the Congress. All costs incurred pursuant to this section shall be nonreimbursable and nonreturnable.

SEC. 4. Contracts for the sale and delivery of the additional electric energy available from the Central Valley project power system as a result of the construction of the plants herein authorized and their integration with that system shall be made in accordance with preferences expressed in the Federal reclamation laws: Provided, That a first preference, to the extent of 25 per centum of such additional energy, shall be given, under reclamation law, to preference customers in Trinity County, California, for use in that county, who are ready, able and willing, within twelve months after notice of availability by the Secretary, to enter into contracts for the energy: Provided further, That Trinity County preference customers may exercise their option on the same date in each successive fifth year providing written notice of their intention to use the energy is given to the Secretary not less than eighteen months prior to said date.

SEC. 5. The Secretary is authorized to make payments, from construction appropriations, to Trinity County, California, of such additional costs of repairing, maintaining, and constructing county roads as are incurred by it during the period of actual construction of the Trinity River division and as are found by the Secretary to be properly attributable to and occasioned by said construction. The Secretary is further authorized and directed to pay to Trinity County annually an in-lieu tax payment out of the appropriations during construction and from the gross revenues of the project during operation an amount equal to the annual tax rate of the county applied to the value of the real property and improvements taken for project purposes in Trinity County, said value being determined as of the date such property and improvements are taken off the tax rolls. Payments to the public-school districts in the project area affected by construction activities shall be made pursuant to existing law.
Sec. 6. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated for construction of the Trinity River division $225,000,000, plus or minus such amounts, if any, as may be justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in construction costs as indicated by engineering cost indexes applicable to the type of construction involved herein, and, in addition thereto, such sums as may be required to carry out the provisions of section 5 of this Act and to operate and maintain the said development.

Approved August 12, 1955.

Public Law 387

Chapter 873

To reemphasize trade development as the primary purpose of title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

That section 103 (b) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 is amended by striking out "$700,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$1,500,000,000. This limitation shall not be apportioned by year or by country, but shall be considered as an objective as well as a limitation, to be reached as rapidly as possible so long as the purposes of this Act can be achieved within the safeguards established."

Sec. 2. Section 106 of such Act is amended by adding the following: "The Secretary of Agriculture is also authorized to determine the nations with whom agreements shall be negotiated, and to determine the commodities and quantities thereof which may be included in the negotiations with each country after advising with other agencies of Government affected and within broad policies laid down by the President for implementing this Act."

Approved August 12, 1955.

Public Law 388

Chapter 874

To amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to make temporary provision for making payments in lieu of taxes with respect to certain real property transferred by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and its subsidiaries to other Government departments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the table of contents contained in the first section of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 is hereby amended by inserting immediately below "Sec. 605. Effective date." the following:

"Title VII—Property Transferred from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation"

"Sec. 701. Declaration of Policy."
"Sec. 702. Definitions."
"Sec. 703. Property transferred by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation."
"Sec. 704. Limitations."
"Sec. 705. Effective date."
Sec. 2. Section 3 of such Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after "As used in" the following: "titles I through VI of".

Sec. 3. Such Act is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"TITLE VII—PROPERTY TRANSFERRED FROM THE RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION"

"DECLARATION OF POLICY"

"Sec. 701. The Congress recognizes that the transfer of real property having a taxable status from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or any of its subsidiaries to another Government department has often operated to remove such property from the tax rolls of States and local taxing authorities, thereby creating an undue and unexpected burden upon such States and local taxing authorities, and causing disruption of their operations. It is the purpose of this title to furnish temporary measures of relief for such States and local taxing authorities by providing that payments in lieu of taxes shall be made with respect to real property so transferred on or after January 1, 1946.

"DEFINITIONS"

"Sec. 702. As used in this title—

"(a) The term 'State' means each of the several States of the United States and the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii.

"(b) The term 'real property' means (1) any interest in land, and (2) any improvement made thereon prior to any transfer thereof occurring on or after January 1, 1946, from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to any other Government department, if for the purpose of taxation such interest or improvement is characterized as real property under the applicable law of the State in which such land is located.

"(c) The term 'local taxing authority' means any county or municipality, and any subdivision of any State, county, or municipality, which is authorized by law to levy and collect taxes upon real property.

"(d) The terms 'real property tax' and 'real property taxes' do not include any special assessment levied upon real property after the date of a transfer of such real property occurring on or after January 1, 1946, from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to any other Government department.

"(e) The term 'Government department' means any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States, except the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

"(f) The term 'transfer' means—

"(1) a transfer of custody and control of, or accountability for the care and handling of, any real property, or

"(2) a transfer of legal title to any real property.

"(g) The term 'Reconstruction Finance Corporation' includes all subsidiaries of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

"PROPERTY TRANSFERRED BY THE RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION"

"Sec. 703. Where real property has been transferred on or after January 1, 1946, from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to any
Government department, and the title to such real property has been held by the United States continuously since such transfer, then on each date occurring on or after January 1, 1955, and prior to January 1, 1959, on which real property taxes levied by any State or local taxing authority with respect to any period become due, the Government department which has custody and control of such real property shall pay to the appropriate State and local taxing authorities an amount equal to the amount of the real property tax which would be payable to each such State or local taxing authority on such date if legal title to such real property had been held by a private citizen on such date and during all periods to which such date relates.

"LIMITATIONS"

"Sec. 704. (a) The failure of any Government department to make, or to make timely payment of, any payment authorized by section 703 shall not subject—

"(1) any Government department, or any person who is a subsequent purchaser of any real property from any Government department, to the payment of any penalty or penalty interest, or to any payment in lieu of any penalty or penalty interest; or

"(2) any real estate or other property or property right to any lien, attachment, foreclosure, garnishment, or other legal proceeding.

"(b) No payment shall be made under section 703 with respect to any real property of any of the following categories:

"(1) Real property taxable by any State or local taxing authority under any provision of law, or with respect to which any payment in lieu of taxes is payable under any other provision of law.

"(2) Real property used or held primarily for any purpose for which real property owned by any private citizen would be exempt from real property tax under the constitution or laws of the State in which the property is situated.

"(3) Real property used or held primarily for the rendition of service to or on behalf of the local public, including (but not limited to) the following categories of real property: courthouses; post offices and other property used for purposes incidental to postal operations; and federally owned airports maintained and operated by the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

"(4) Office buildings and facilities which are an integral part of, or are used for purposes incidental to the use made of, any properties described in paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of this subsection.

"(c) Nothing contained in this title shall establish any liability of any Government department for the payment of any payment in lieu of taxes with respect to any real property for any period before January 1, 1955, or after December 31, 1958.

"EFFECTIVE DATE"

"Sec. 705. This title shall take effect as of January 1, 1955."

Approved August 12, 1955.
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CHARTER 879

AN ACT

To amend the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to authorize the merger of street-railway corporations operating in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved January 14, 1933, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it is hereby declared that the business of mass transportation of persons for hire in the District of Columbia is clothed with a public interest and is essential to the proper functioning of the Government of the United States and the government of the District of Columbia. The continuous, uninterrupted, and proper functioning of such business in the District of Columbia is hereby declared to be essential to the welfare, health, and safety of the public, including the civilian and military personnel of the Government of the United States located in the District of Columbia and the metropolitan area of Washington. It is declared to be necessary in the public interest to repeal the franchise of the Capital Transit Company and grant the Commissioners of the District of Columbia the authority hereinafter set forth.

Sec. 2. The joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to authorize the merger of street-railway corporations operating in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved January 14, 1933 (47 Stat. 752), as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following section:

"Sec. 14. The charter and all rights of franchise of the Capital Transit Company created by this resolution are hereby repealed in accordance with the terms of section 13 hereof."

Sec. 3. (a) The Commissioners of the District of Columbia may authorize (including authorization under such contractual agreements as may be necessary) such public transportation, during the year following the date of enactment of this Act, within the District of Columbia as may be necessary for the convenience of the public. Such transportation shall be furnished to the public at such rates and under such terms and regulations as may be recommended by the Public Utilities Commission, and approved by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, for the purpose of providing a satisfactory system of public transportation within the District of Columbia during the year following the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) Any contract entered into under the authority of subsection (a) of this section with the Capital Transit Company shall provide—

(1) that salaries of officers of the Capital Transit Company in effect on July 1, 1955, will be continued in effect during the term of said contract;

(2) that in the event increased wages and benefits are accorded employees under such contract, appropriate increases may also be granted salaried employees other than company officers, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia; and

(3) that if, at the end of the period of said contract, the operating revenues derived by such company from the operation of its properties in utility service for the convenience of the public have not been sufficient to meet the cost of operation during the period of such contract, including but not limited to depreciation and all taxes, but not including any return on investment, the District of Columbia shall pay Capital Transit Company the amount of such deficiency: Provided, That such deficiency during said
period shall be determined in accordance with the accounting practices now prescribed by the Public Utilities Commission, but the said deficiency shall not include any allowance for amortization of such company's property for obsolescence or loss to such company by reason of the termination of its franchise: Provided further, That such deficiency shall not exceed the increased labor costs approved by the Commissioners for the contract period and that this deficiency shall be further reduced by the increased income derived by such company from any fare increase which may be granted by the Public Utilities Commission as a direct offset to the increased labor costs.

Sec. 4. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia may, with the approval of the Public Service Commission of the State of Maryland, exercise any of the powers granted in this Act within the portion of the State of Maryland which is provided with public transportation by the Capital Transit Company (including subsidiaries).

Sec. 5. Nothing in this Act shall affect the right of Capital Transit Company or its successors in interest to continue railroad service to the Potomac Electric Power Company as currently performed by the East Washington Railway Company, nor shall it affect its present rights with relation thereto.

Sec. 6. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury to the credit of the District of Columbia or otherwise appropriated, such amounts as may be necessary, if any, over and above the revenues received from operations herein provided for, to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 7. Effective as of the date of the termination of the charter and all rights of franchise of the Capital Transit Company as provided for in section 2 of this Act, such company shall, upon the order of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, remove from the streets and highways at its own expense all of its properties and facilities and shall thereupon restore such streets and highways in accordance with the provisions of the Act of July 1, 1941 (55 Stat. 499).

Sec. 8. If any provision contained in this Act be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not be deemed to affect or impair the validity of the remainder or of any other part of this Act. Approved August 14, 1955.
for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, or business purposes with the consent of both parties may include provisions authorizing their renewal for an additional term of not to exceed twenty-five years, and all leases and renewals shall be made under such terms and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior. Income from leases on land in the southern reserve, as defined in ordinance numbered 5 of the Colorado River Indian Tribes, dated February 3, 1945, shall be segregated from income from leases on land in the northern reserve, as defined by such ordinance, and from leases on land on the California side of the Colorado River. All income received within two years after the date of this Act and prior to determination of the beneficial ownership of the lands, from leases on land in the northern reserve and land on the California side of the Colorado River may be expended by the Secretary for the benefit of the Colorado River Indian Tribes and their members. All income received within two years after the date of this Act and prior to determination of the beneficial ownership of the lands, from leases on land in the southern reserve may be expended by the Secretary for the development or improvement of any land in the southern reserve. All income received more than two years after the date of this act shall be held in a special account until the beneficial ownership of the land on the reservation has been determined. All income received after beneficial ownership has been determined shall be held in trust for the beneficial owners of the land from which the income was derived and shall be expended as otherwise authorized by law.

Sec. 2. Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed as recognizing any ownership in the Colorado River Indian Tribes or any other Indians or group of Indians, nor shall this Act be taken as creating any inference of liability or as impairing or affecting any of the defenses of the United States in any litigation now pending before the Court of Claims or the Indian Claims Commission.

Approved August 14, 1955.