

magistrate shall likewise have power either to increase or reduce the amount of such bail in the manner provided in section 582 of this title.

SEC. 9. That section 43 of title 7 of the Canal Zone Code is amended to read as follows:

"43. PUBLIC DEFENDER.—The Governor of the Panama Canal shall appoint a duly qualified member of the bar of the Canal Zone as a public defender, whose duty it shall be to represent, in the district court, any person charged with the commission of a crime within the original jurisdiction of that court who is unable to employ counsel for his defense. The public defender shall receive such compensation, and such of the privileges of a Canal employee, as shall be fixed and granted by the President or by his authority."

Public defender.

Compensation, etc.

SEC. 10. That section 222 of title 2 of the Canal Zone Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"222. CARRIAGE BY PANAMA RAILROAD COMPANY OF MARINE AND FIRE INSURANCE.—The Panama Railroad Company shall carry no insurance to cover marine or fire losses: *Provided*, That this section shall not prohibit the company from carrying insurance to cover shipments of its own funds and securities."

Panama Railroad Company.

Carriage of insurance by.

*Proviso.*  
Shipments of own funds, etc.

Approved, July 10, 1937.

[CHAPTER 488]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the disposal of certain lands held by the Panama Railroad Company on Manzanillo Island, Republic of Panama.

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[H. J. Res. 41]  
[Pub. Res., No. 54]

Whereas the treaty of November 18, 1903, between the United States and the Republic of Panama vested in the Government of the United States certain reversionary rights and interests in the lands situated on Manzanillo Island, Republic of Panama, which lands are held by the Panama Railroad Company; and

Panama Railroad Company.  
Preamble.  
33 Stat. 2234.

Whereas certain of the said lands are no longer needed for the purposes of the United States: Therefore be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Panama Railroad Company be, and is hereby, authorized to sell, and convey in whole or in part, at public or private sale, at not less than the appraised value to be fixed as hereinafter provided, all of its right, title, and interest in and to the lands situated within that portion of Manzanillo Island, Republic of Panama, lying within the area bounded by a line described as follows:

Lands held by, on Manzanillo Island; sale authorized.

Beginning at the point where the Canal Zone-Republic of Panama (city of Colon) boundary line intersects the western shore line of the arm of Manzanillo Bay known as "Boca Chica" or "Folks River"; thence following the Canal Zone-city of Colon boundary line northerly to Eleventh Street and westerly on Eleventh Street to the center of Front Avenue; thence northerly along the center of Front Avenue and its prolongation to the center of Second Street; thence easterly along the center of Second Street to the center of Melendez Avenue ("G" Street); thence southerly along the center of Melendez Avenue to the center of Seventh Street; thence easterly along the center of Seventh Street to the center of Roosevelt Avenue; thence southerly along the center of Roosevelt Avenue to the center of Ninth Street; thence easterly along the center of Ninth Street to the shore line of Manzanillo Bay; thence southerly along the shore line of Manzanillo Bay to the intersection with the center of Eleventh Street prolonged; thence westerly along the center of Eleventh Street to the center of Melendez Avenue; thence southerly along the center of Melendez

Description.

Avenue to the center of Sixteenth Street; thence easterly along the center of Sixteenth Street to the shore line of Folks River; thence southerly, westerly, northwesterly, and southerly along the shore line of Folks River to the point of beginning; excepting, however, lot 22, block 26, as shown on Panama Canal drawing 2021-6, and lot 1189, as shown on Panama Canal drawing 7/019, which lie within the said area.

Board of appraisers, designation of.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of War shall designate a board of three appraisers, who shall appraise the value of each tract or lot within the said area separately, and file the same with the president of the Panama Railroad Company. From time to time, at intervals of not less than one year, the Secretary of War, if deemed advisable by him, may, through a similar board, order a reappraisalment of the unsold tracts. Such appraisalment and any reappraisalment shall be open to public inspection.

Periodic appraisements.

Grant of certain lands to United States to effect exchange with Republic of Panama.

SEC. 3. The Panama Railroad Company is also authorized, with the approval of the President of the United States to convey in whole or in part all its right, title, and interest in and to the said lands, in exchange for a grant by the Republic of Panama to the United States of all the rights, power, and authority within various other areas situated on Manzanillo Island which the United States would possess and exercise if it were the sovereign of the territory included within the said areas, to the entire exclusion of the exercise by the Republic of Panama of any such sovereign rights, power, or authority.

Conveyance to release reversionary rights.

SEC. 4. Any conveyance of any lot or tract by the Panama Railroad Company, as aforesaid, shall be deemed to release any and all reversionary rights of the United States in said property.

Deposit of net proceeds from sales.

SEC. 5. The Panama Railroad Company shall, on or before August 16, 1936, deposit the net proceeds from sales of the land in question in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of "Miscellaneous receipts."

Approved, July 10, 1937.

[CHAPTER 494]

AN ACT

To extend the benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, to certain employees in the legislative and judicial branches of the Government.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of May 29, 1930 (46 Stat. 468), for the retirement of employees in the classified civil service and in certain positions in the legislative branch of the Government, is hereby amended to include all other employees in the legislative branch and all officers and employees of any of the courts of the United States who are not entitled to the benefits of any other retirement Act whose tenure of employment is not intermittent nor of uncertain duration.*

Civil Service Retirement Act, amendments.

Benefits of, extended to certain employees in the legislative and judicial branches. 46 Stat. 468. 5 U. S. C. §§ 891-738.

Provisions inapplicable unless notice of acceptance given.

SEC. 2. The provisions of such Act of May 29, 1930, shall not be applicable to any employee in the legislative branch who is brought within its scope by section 1 of this Act until such employee gives notice in writing to the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, and shall not be applicable to any officer or employee of any court of the United States who is brought within its scope by section 1 of this Act until such officer or employee gives notice in writing to the disbursing officer by whom the salary of such officer or employee is paid that