

SAVING CLAUSE

Saving clause.

SEC. 17. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or requirement of this Act is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof. The Congress of the United States hereby declares that it would have passed this Act, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, and requirement thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or requirements be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

REPEALING CLAUSE

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 18. All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Effective date.

SEC. 19. This Act, except as otherwise provided herein, shall take effect on and after ninety days from the date of its enactment.

Approved, August 25, 1937.

[CHAPTER 761]

AN ACT

August 25, 1937

[H. R. 7531]

[Public, No. 357]

To afford protection of pension benefits to peacetime veterans placed on the pension rolls after March 19, 1933, and for other purposes.

Pensions.
Protection of benefits to peacetime veterans on rolls after March 19, 1933.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph X of Executive Order Numbered 6098, dated March 31, 1933 (Veterans' Regulation Numbered 10 (38 U. S. C., ch. 12, appendix)), as amended by paragraph 1, Executive Order Numbered 6568, dated January 19, 1934 (Veterans' Regulation Numbered 10 (c)), is hereby canceled as of the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved, August 25, 1937.

[CHAPTER 762]

AN ACT

August 25, 1937

[H. R. 7700]

[Public, No. 358]

To incorporate the American Chemical Society.

American Chemical Society incorporated.
Incorporators.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the persons following: Robert T. Baldwin, Edward Bartow, Erle M. Billings, E. K. Bolton, Willard H. Dow, Gustavus J. Esselen, Arthur J. Hill, Townes R. Leigh, Thomas Midgely, Junior, Charles L. Parsons, R. E. Swain, E. R. Weidlein, Frank C. Whitmore, H. H. Willard, and R. E. Wilson, being persons who are now directors of the American Chemical Society, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of New York, their associates and successors duly chosen, and such other persons as now are or may hereafter be associated with them as officers or members of said American Chemical Society, are hereby incorporated and constituted and declared to be a body corporate by the name of American Chemical Society.

Objects.

SEC. 2. That the objects of the incorporation shall be to encourage in the broadest and most liberal manner the advancement of chemistry in all its branches; the promotion of research in chemical science and industry; the improvement of the qualifications and usefulness of chemists through high standards of professional ethics, education, and attainments; the increase and diffusion of chemical knowledge; and by its meetings, professional contacts, reports, papers, discussions, and publications, to promote scientific interests and inquiry, thereby

fostering public welfare and education, aiding the development of our country's industries, and adding to the material prosperity and happiness of our people.

SEC. 3. That the American Chemical Society shall have power to make its own organization, including its constitution, bylaws, rules, and regulations; to fill all vacancies created by death, resignation, or otherwise; to provide for the election of members, their division into classes, and all other matters needful and useful to promote the objects of the society. It shall hold an annual meeting at such place in the United States as may from time to time be designated.

Corporate powers.

SEC. 4. That the American Chemical Society shall, whenever called upon by the War or Navy Department, investigate, examine, experiment, and report upon any subject in pure or applied chemistry connected with the national defense, the actual expense of such investigations, examinations, experiments, and reports to be paid from appropriations which may have been made for that purpose by Congress, but the society shall receive no compensation whatever for any services to the Government of the United States: *Provided*, That the title to any and all inventions and discoveries made in the course of such investigations, examinations, and experiments that, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Navy or the Secretary of War, involve the national defense, shall vest in the Government of the United States, and the Government of the United States shall have unlimited license under all other inventions and discoveries.

Cooperation with War and Navy Departments.

Proviso.
Title to inventions and discoveries.

SEC. 5. That the American Chemical Society be, and the same is hereby, authorized and empowered to receive, by devise, bequest, donation, or otherwise, either real or personal property and to hold the same absolutely or in trust, and to invest, reinvest, and manage the same and to apply said property and the income arising therefrom to the objects of its creation.

Acceptance of gifts, bequests, etc.

SEC. 6. That as soon as may be possible after the passage of this Act a meeting of the directors hereinbefore named shall be held at the city of Washington in the District of Columbia by notice served in person or by mail addressed to each director at his place of residence by the Secretary of the American Chemical Society, a New York corporation, and the said directors, or a majority thereof, being assembled, shall organize and proceed to adopt bylaws, to elect officers and appoint committees, and generally to organize the said corporation; and said directors herein named, on behalf of the corporation hereby incorporated, shall thereupon receive, take over, and enter into possession, custody, and management of all property, real or personal, of the corporation heretofore known as the American Chemical Society, incorporated as hereinbefore set out under the laws of the State of New York on November 9, 1877, and to all its rights, contracts, claims, and property of any kind or nature; and the several officers of such corporation, or any other person having charge of any of the securities, funds, real or personal, books or property thereof, shall, on demand, deliver the same to the said directors appointed by this Act or to the persons appointed by them to receive the same; and the directors of the existing corporation and the directors herein named shall and may take such other steps as shall be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Organization under national charter.

SEC. 7. That the rights of the creditors of the said existing New York corporation known as the American Chemical Society shall not in any manner be impaired by the passage of this Act, or the transfer of the property hereinbefore mentioned, nor shall any liability or obligation for the payment of any sums due or to become due, or any claim or demand, in any manner or for any cause existing against the said New York corporation, be released

Rights of creditors.

or impaired; but such corporation hereby incorporated is declared to succeed to the obligations and liabilities and to be held liable to pay and discharge all of the debts, liabilities, and contracts of the said New York corporation so existing to the same effect as if such new corporation had itself incurred the obligation or liability to pay such debt or damages, and no such action or proceeding before any court or tribunal shall be deemed to have abated or been discontinued by reason of the passage of this Act.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 8. That the corporation shall, on or before the 1st day of December in each year, transmit to Congress a report of its proceedings and activities for the preceding calendar year, including the full and complete statement of its receipts and expenditures. Such reports shall not be printed as public documents.

Amendment, etc.

SEC. 9. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Effective date.

SEC. 10. That this Act shall date from the 1st day of January 1938.
Approved, August 25, 1937.

[CHAPTER 763]

AN ACT

To amend section 76 of the Judicial Code with respect to the terms of the United States District Court at Tallahassee, Florida.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 76 of the Judicial Code (U. S. C., 1934 edition, title 28, sec. 149), is amended to read as follows:

Judicial Code,
amendment.
36 Stat. 1106.
28 U. S. C. § 149.

Florida judicial dis-
tricts.

Southern district.

“SEC. 76. (a) The State of Florida is divided into two districts, to be known as the northern and southern districts of Florida.

“(b) The southern district shall include the territory embraced on the 1st day of July 1937 in the counties of Baker, Bradford, Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, Dade, De Soto, Duval, Flagler, Glades, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lake, Lee, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Monroe, Nassau, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Saint Johns, Saint Lucie, Sarasota, Seminole, Sumter, Suwannee, Union, and Volusia.

Terms.

“(c) Terms of the district court for the southern district shall be held at Ocala on the third Monday in January; at Tampa on the second Monday in February; at Key West on the first Mondays in May and November; at Jacksonville on the first Monday in December; at Fernandina on the first Monday in April; at Miami on the fourth Monday in April; at Orlando on the first Monday in October; and at Fort Pierce on the first Monday in February: *Provided*, That suitable rooms and accommodations for holding court at Fort Pierce are furnished without expense to the United States: *Provided further*, That suitable rooms and accommodations for holding court at Orlando are furnished without expense to the United States: *And provided further*, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent the provision of quarters for the officers of said court and appropriate courtrooms for the holding of the sessions of said court in any new Federal building which may be constructed in Orlando, Florida. No deputy clerk or deputy marshal of the court shall be appointed for Fort Pierce. The district court for the southern district shall be open at all times for the purpose of hearing and deciding causes of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction.

Provisos.
Accommodations at
Fort Pierce.

At Orlando; officers'
quarters, courtrooms,
etc., in new Federal
building.

Appointments for
Fort Pierce.

Northern district.

“(d) The northern district shall include the territory embraced on the 1st day of July 1937 in the counties of Alachua, Bay, Calhoun,