

[CHAPTER 176]

AN ACT

To authorize the transfer of certain military reservations to other agencies of the Government and to the people of Puerto Rico, 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 War be, and he is hereby, authorized to transfer to the agencies hereinafter set forth the military reservations hereinafter named, or any portions thereof, upon determination by him that said military reservations, or portions thereof, are no longer needed for military purposes: *Provided*, That in case any of these reservations, or portions thereof, with the exception of the Escambron Tract, Puerto Rico, shall at any future time become surplus to the needs of the agency to which transferred, the head of such agency is hereby directed to transfer the same back to the Secretary of War to be sold under the provisions of the Act of March 12, 1926 (44 Stat. 203): *Provided further*, That in the event the transfer of any of these reservations, or portions thereof, with the exception of the Escambron Tract, Puerto Rico, is not desired by the respective agencies hereinafter set forth, then the Secretary of War, after the expiration of ninety days following the passage of this Act, shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell such reservations, or any portions thereof, under the provisions of the foregoing Act of March 12, 1926.

The agencies to which transfers are authorized and the names of the reservations, with the approximate amount of land involved in each instance, authorized to be transferred are as follows:

To the Department of Justice: Alcatraz Island, California, twelve acres.

To the Department of Agriculture: Fort DeSoto, Florida, four hundred and forty-nine and twenty-six one-hundredths acres; Fisherman's Island, Virginia, two hundred and twenty-five acres.

To the Veterans' Administration: Fort Miley, California, twenty-three acres.

To the Department of Commerce: Fort Dade, Florida, five and five-tenths acres; Stewart Avenue Reservation, Atlanta, Georgia, one and twenty-five one-hundredths acres; Fort Livingston, Louisiana, one hundred and twenty-six and sixteen one-hundredths acres; Fort Gorges, Maine, one and five-tenths acres; Fort Scammel, Maine, a tract twenty feet square, with privilege to land anywhere at any time at the shore line of the twelve-acre tract comprising Fort Scammel; Fort Independence, Massachusetts, one acre; Gasparilla Island, Florida, eighty-one and five-tenths acres; Fort Popham, Maine, eight-five ¹ one-hundredths acre; Salisbury Beach, Massachusetts, five acres.

To the Treasury Department: Fort Dade, Florida, three hundred and sixty-nine and two one-hundredths acres; Fort Caswell, North Carolina, fifty-seven and two-tenths acres; Saint Andrews Sound Military Reservation, Florida, twenty-one and sixty-four one-hundredths acres.

To the people of Puerto Rico: That certain tract or parcel of land within the Main Military Reservation, San Juan, Puerto Rico, containing forty-six and four one-hundredths acres, more or less, known as the "Escambron Tract."

SEC. 2. The net proceeds from any sale of the properties named in this Act shall be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of "miscellaneous receipts."

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Military reservations.
Transfer of certain, to Government agencies and Puerto Rico.

Provisos.
Reversionary provision.

44 Stat. 204.
10 U. S. C. § 1594.
Sale of properties not desired.

Agencies to which transfers are authorized.

Department of Justice.

Department of Agriculture.

Veterans' Administration.

Department of Commerce.

Treasury Department.

To the people of Puerto Rico.

Deposit of net proceeds.

¹ So in original.