

[CHAPTER 260]

AN ACT

To provide for an investigation and report of losses resulting from the campaign for the eradication of the Mediterranean fruit fly by the Department of Agriculture.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a board is hereby created, to be known as the Mediterranean Fruit Fly Board, to be composed of five individuals to be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture. Any vacancy occurring in the Board shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. Each member of the Board, other than members holding office under the State or Federal Government, shall receive compensation at the rate of \$10 per day while actually employed on the business of the Board. The Board shall cease to exist upon transmitting its report under section 2 of this Act.

SEC. 2. The Board is authorized and directed to conduct a complete investigation and survey of all losses sustained by growers and farmers in the State of Florida resulting from the campaign to eradicate the Mediterranean fruit fly in such State and transmit to the Secretary of Agriculture not later than March 15, 1939, a full report of the results of such investigation and survey: *Provided,* That such report shall serve as information only and shall not be construed as imposing any legal or moral obligation upon the Government of the United States. The Secretary of Agriculture shall, as soon thereafter as practicable, transmit such report of survey to Congress, together with such recommendations as he may, in his judgment, deem advisable.

SEC. 3. With the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Board may (1) without regard to the provisions of other laws applicable to the employment and compensation of officers and employees of the United States employ and fix the compensation and duties of such employees as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act; but the compensation of such employees shall correspond, so far as may be practicable, to the rates established by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended; and may (2) make such expenditures, including expenditures for travel and subsistence expense, for personal services at the seat of government and elsewhere, and for printing and binding, as are necessary for the efficient execution of its functions under this Act.

SEC. 4. That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Approved, May 23, 1938.

[CHAPTER 261]

AN ACT

To amend the Act approved August 24, 1935, entitled "An Act to authorize the erection of a suitable memorial to Major General George W. Goethals within the Canal Zone."

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 to authorize the erection of a suitable memorial to Major General George W. Goethals within the Canal Zone, approved August 24, 1935, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows: strike out the figures "\$75,000" where they occur in said section and insert in lieu thereof "\$160,000" so that section 2 as amended will read: "There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appro-

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Mediterranean Fruit Fly Board. Composition, compensation, etc.

Termination.

Investigation and survey of losses to Florida growers resulting from fruit-fly campaign. Time limitation on filing report.

Proviso. Report to serve as information only.

Report to Congress with recommendations.

Personal services.

Appropriation authorized. Post, p. 1125.

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Major General George W. Goethals' memorial.

Amount authorized for erection increased. 49 Stat. 743.