

ances, that are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law for officers of the Regular Navy of corresponding rank and length of service, which shall include, on and after October 1, 1944, all allowances and benefits on account of dependents as provided in section 4 of the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, as amended.

(b) In computing the service for all pay purposes of members of the Navy Nurse Corps, such persons shall be credited with full time for all periods during which they held appointments as nurses or commissions in the Army Nurse Corps or the Navy Nurse Corps.

SEC. 2. (a) Each member of the Navy Nurse Corps who hereafter is retired by reason of physical disability incurred in the line of duty shall, if the proceedings resulting in retirement be instituted prior to the expiration of the effective period as defined in section 4 hereof, be entitled to retired pay at the rate of 75 per centum of the active-duty pay of the rank in which serving, under temporary or permanent appointment, when such disability was incurred, computed as provided in this Act.

(b) Each member of the Navy Nurse Corps who, subsequent to December 22, 1942, and prior to the date of enactment of this Act, has been retired for physical disability incurred in the line of duty shall, beginning on the first day of the first month next following the date of enactment of this Act, be entitled to retired pay at the rate of 75 per centum of the active-duty pay to which she would have been entitled at the time her disability was incurred had her active-duty pay and allowances at such time been computed as provided in section 1 of this Act.

SEC. 3. The provisions of this Act shall apply equally to Naval Reserve members of the Navy Nurse Corps while employed on active duty.

SEC. 4. The effective period as used herein shall mean the period beginning on July 10, 1944 (except as otherwise specified in section 2 and except that no allowances or benefits under any section of this Act on account of dependents for any period prior to October 1, 1944, shall accrue by reason of the enactment of this Act), and ending six months after the termination of the present war as declared by Presidential proclamation or by concurrent resolution of the Congress, whichever shall first occur.

SEC. 5. No person, active or retired, in the naval service shall suffer, by reason of this Act, any reduction in pay, allowances, or retirement benefits to which she was entitled upon the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved December 3, 1945.

[CHAPTER 554]

AN ACT

To amend article 6 of the Articles for the Government of the Navy.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That article 6 of the Articles for the Government of the Navy (Revised Statutes, sec. 1624, art. 6) is amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ART. 6. If any person subject to the Articles for the Government of the Navy commits the crime of murder without the territorial jurisdiction of any particular State, or the District of Columbia, he may be tried by court martial and punished with death.

Approved December 4, 1945.

Dependents.  
56 Stat. 361.  
37 U. S. C., Supp.  
IV, § 104.  
Ante, p. 587.  
Service credits.

Retirement for disability; pay.

Retrospective provision.

Naval Reserve members on active duty.

Effective period.

Restriction on reduction of benefits.

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Naval court martial.  
34 U. S. C. § 1200,  
art. 6.

Murder.