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³⁰ Only the last two provisos in subheading "Pay and Allowances" and the proviso in the subheading "General Expenses, Coast Guard," under the heading "Coast Guard."

³¹ Only the last 2 provisos in subheading "Pay and Allowances," and the proviso in subheading "General Expenses, Coast Guard," under the heading "Coast Guard."

³² Only that portion adding sec. 5 to Public Law 277, 79th Cong.

³³ Only the last proviso in subheading "Pay and Allowances" and last proviso in subheading "General Expenses" under the heading "Coast Guard."

³⁴ Only the first 2 sentences.

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59 Stat. 662.
31 U. S. C. §§ 215-
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[CHAPTER 394]

AN ACT

To provide increased pensions for widows and children of deceased members and retired members of the Police Department and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia.

August 4, 1949
[H. R. 2021]

[Public Law 208]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the fourth paragraph of section 12 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and for other purposes", approved September 1, 1916 (39 Stat. 718), as amended, as follows the first sentence thereof is hereby amended to read as follows:

Police and Fire De-
partments, D. C.

D. C. Code § 4-507.

Pension to widow or
children.

"In case of the death of any member of the Police Department or the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, before or after retirement from the service thereof, leaving a widow, or a child or children under eighteen years of age, the widow shall be entitled to receive relief from the said policemen and firemen's relief fund, District of Columbia, in an amount not to exceed \$125 per month, and

Cessation of pay-
ments.

each child under the age of eighteen years in an amount not exceeding \$25 per month: *Provided*, That such payments or any right thereto shall cease upon death or remarriage of the widow: *Provided further*, That any benefits to a child or children shall cease upon (1) attaining the age of eighteen years, (2) marriage, or (3) death: *And provided further*, That no widow, child, or children of any deceased member of the said Police Department or Fire Department resulting from any marriage contracted subsequent to the date of retirement of such member shall be entitled to any relief under the provisions of this Act."

39 Stat. 719.

Funeral expenses.

SEC. 2. The fifth paragraph of section 12 of the Act of September 1, 1916 (D. C. Code, 1940 edition, sec. 4-509), is amended to read as follows: "The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to pay from the said policemen and firemen's relief fund, District of Columbia, a sum not exceeding \$250 in any one case to defray the funeral expenses of any deceased member of the Police Department or the Fire Department of said District dying while in the service thereof."

Widows and chil-
dren receiving relief.

D. C. Code §§ 4-501,
4-503, 4-506 to 4-510,
4-512 to 4-514.
Ante, p. 565.

SEC. 3. All widows and children of deceased members of the Police Department or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia receiving relief under the provisions of section 12 of the Act of Congress, approved September 1, 1916 (39 Stat. 718), as amended, shall be entitled to receive relief to the same extent and in the same manner as is provided by the fourth paragraph of said section as amended by the first section of this Act: *Provided*, That no relief shall be increased or allowed under the authority of this section for any period prior to the effective date of this Act: *Provided further*, That any child or children who had attained the age of sixteen years and whose benefits were terminated shall be entitled to receive relief as provided by the fourth paragraph of said section 12, as amended by the first section of this Act, until the attainment of eighteen years of age.

46 Stat. 840.
D. C. Code §§ 4-
503, 4-504.

SEC. 4. Section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia", approved July 1, 1930 (39 Stat. 839), be, and the same hereby is, amended by striking out therefrom the figures "3½" and substituting in lieu thereof the figure "5".

Effective date.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the second month following the date of approval of this Act.

Approved August 4, 1949.

[CHAPTER 401]

AN ACT

August 5, 1949
[H. R. 2417]
[Public Law 209]

To authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to operate and maintain a certain tract of land at Valparaiso, Florida, near Eglin Air Force Base, as a recreational facility.

Valparaiso, Fla.
Recreational facility.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Air Force, upon acceptance of title to the tract of land comprising the Valparaiso Golf Course of Valparaiso, Florida, near Eglin Air Force Base, for the Government of the United States, is hereby authorized to operate and maintain said tract of land as a recreational facility, in accordance with existing regulations governing the operation and maintenance of recreational facilities by the Government for military personnel.

Approved August 5, 1949.