

specified above exist, the court may commit the prisoner to the custody of the Attorney General, or his authorized representative.

“§ 4248. Termination of custody by release or transfer.

Ante, p. 687.

“Whenever a person shall be committed pursuant to section 4247 of this title, his commitment shall run until the sanity or mental competency of the person shall be restored or until the mental condition of the person is so improved that if he be released he will not endanger the safety of the officers, the property, or other interests of the United States, or until suitable arrangements have been made for the custody and care of the prisoner by the State of his residence, whichever event shall first occur. Whereupon the Attorney General or his authorized representative shall file with the court which made said commitment a certificate stating the termination of the commitment and the ground therefor: *Provided, however*, That nothing herein contained shall preclude a prisoner committed under the authority of section 4247 hereof from establishing his eligibility for release under the provisions of this section by a writ of habeas corpus. The Attorney General or his authorized representative shall have authority at any time to transfer a prisoner committed to his custody under the authority of section 4246 or section 4247 hereof to the proper authorities of the State of his residence.”

Ante, p. 687.

SEC. 2. The analysis of chapter 313 of such title, immediately preceding section 4241, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

“4244. Mental incompetency after arrest and before trial.

“4245. Mental incompetency undisclosed at trial.

“4246. Procedure upon finding of mental incompetency.

“4247. Alternate procedure on expiration of sentence.

“4248. Termination of custody by release or transfer.”

Use of funds.

SEC. 3. The Attorney General may authorize the use of any unexpended balance of the appropriation for “Support of United States prisoners” for carrying out the purposes of title 18, United States Code, sections 4244 to 4248, inclusive, or in payment of any expenses incidental thereto and not provided for by other specific appropriations.

Ante, p. 686 *et seq.*

Separability.

SEC. 4. If any provision of title 18, United States Code, sections 4244 to 4248, inclusive, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held invalid, the remainder of the said sections and the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

Approved September 7, 1949.

[CHAPTER 536]

AN ACT

September 7, 1949
[S. 2146]
[Public Law 286]

To provide certain additional rehabilitation assistance for certain seriously disabled veterans in order to remove an existing inequality.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (g) of section 1, title I, Public Numbered 2, Seventy-third Congress, as added by Public Law 702, Eightieth Congress, approved June 19, 1948, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(g) Any person who served in the active military or naval service of the United States who is entitled to compensation under the provisions of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, for permanent and total service-connected disability due to the loss, or

Disabled veterans.
Specially adapted
housing.

62 Stat. 500.
38 U. S. C., Supp.
II, § 701 (g).

38 U. S. C. note foll.
§ 739; Supp. II, note
foll. § 743.
Post, p. 732.

loss of use, by reason of amputation, ankylosis, progressive muscular dystrophies, or paralysis, of both lower extremities, such as to preclude locomotion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheel chair, shall be entitled to assistance in acquiring a suitable housing unit with special fixtures or movable facilities made necessary by the nature of the person's disability, and necessary land therefor, subject to the provisions and limitations of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, part IX."

SEC. 2. Paragraph 1, part IX, of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as added by Public Law 702, Eightieth Congress, approved June 19, 1948, is hereby amended to read as follows:

62 Stat. 500.
38 U. S. C., Supp.
II, note foll. § 743.
Eligibility for housing with special fixtures.

"1. The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized, under such regulations as he may prescribe, to assist any person (hereinafter referred to as 'veteran') who served in the active military or naval service of the United States, who is entitled to compensation under the provisions of this regulation for permanent and total service-connected disability due to the loss, or loss of use, by reason of amputation, ankylosis, progressive muscular dystrophies, or paralysis, of both lower extremities, such as to preclude locomotion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheel chair, in acquiring a suitable housing unit with special fixtures or movable facilities made necessary by the nature of the veteran's disability, and necessary land therefor: *Provided*, That the regulations of the Administrator shall include, but not be limited to, provisions requiring findings that (a) it is medically feasible for such veteran to reside in the proposed housing unit and in the proposed locality; (b) the proposed housing unit bears a proper relation to the veteran's present and anticipated income and expenses; and (c) that the nature and condition of the proposed housing unit are such as to be suitable to the veteran's needs for dwelling purposes."

Approved September 7, 1949.

[CHAPTER 537]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County.

September 7, 1949
[H. R. 3071]
[Public Law 287]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is hereby authorized and directed to acquire through purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, and to pay compensation, for all right, title, and interest, including easements and any and all other appurtenant rights and privileges which the Morgan County Farm Bureau Cooperative Association has in and to a tract of land, comprising seven and twenty-nine one-hundredths acres, more or less, located in Morgan township, Morgan County, State of Ohio; said property consisting of a mill building, appurtenant works, together with certain rights and water privileges granted to Robert McConnell, a predecessor in title, by the State of Ohio.

Morgan County,
Ohio.
Conveyance.

SEC. 2. In his discretion, the Secretary of the Army may authorize the owner to remove any improvements on the property: *Provided*, That appropriate reduction of the salvage value thereof shall be made from the purchase price.

SEC. 3. Funds appropriated for the maintenance and improvement of river and harbor works may be expended to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Approved September 7, 1949.