

## [CHAPTER 777]

## AN ACT

October 28, 1949

[S. 2382]

[Public Law 424]

To authorize the construction of a research laboratory for the Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, at a location to be selected by the Secretary of Defense.

Army Quartermaster Corps.  
Research laboratory.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$11,000,000 for the acquisition of land and for the construction thereon of a research laboratory for the Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, at a location to be selected by the Secretary of Defense, and for such utilities and appurtenances thereto as, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Army, may be necessary in connection therewith. The site shall be chosen on the basis of recommendations of an impartial ad hoc committee of experts to be appointed by the Research and Development Board.

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October 28, 1949

[H. R. 3826]

[Public Law 425]

To amend the Act of January 16, 1883, an Act to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States.

Civil Service Act,  
amendment.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the third paragraph of the second clause of section 2 of the Act of January 16, 1883, an Act to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States (22 Stat. 403; 5 U. S. C. 633), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Apportionment of  
appointments.

“Third, appointments to the public service aforesaid in the departments at Washington shall be apportioned among the several States and Territories and the District of Columbia upon the basis of population as ascertained at the last preceding census. Hereafter every application for examination before the Civil Service Commission for appointment in the departmental service in the District of Columbia shall be accompanied by a certificate of an officer, with his official seal attached, of the county and State of which the applicant claims to be a citizen, that such applicant was, at the time of making such application, a legal or voting resident of said State, and had been such resident for a period of not less than one year next preceding, or a statement under oath setting forth his or her legal voting residence for one year next preceding the time of making such application, and such statement shall be accompanied by letters from three reputable citizens of the State in which residence is claimed, corroborating such statement, but this provision shall not apply to persons who may be in the service with civil-service status and seek promotion or appointment in other branches of the Government.

Application for ex-  
amination.

Repeal.

SEC. 2. The proviso of the second paragraph under the caption “Civil Service Commission” in the Act entitled “An Act making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and for other purposes”, approved July 11, 1890 (26 Stat. 235), and the Act of May 15, 1937 (50 Stat. 168), are hereby repealed.

5 U. S. C. § 643.

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