

[CHAPTER 138]

AN ACT

To amend the Act, approved May 27, 1924, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, United States Park Police force, and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia", so as to grant rights to members of the United States Park Police force commensurate with the rights granted to members of Metropolitan Police force as to time off from duty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Act of May 27, 1924 (43 Stat. 174), is hereby amended by adding, at the end of such section, a new paragraph, as follows: "That in lieu of Sunday there shall be granted to members of the United States Park Police force one day off out of each week of seven days, which shall be in addition to their annual leave and sick leave: *Provided, however,* That whenever the Secretary of the Interior declares that an emergency exists of such a character as to require the continuous service of all the members of the United States Park Police force, the Superintendent of National Capital Parks shall have authority, and it shall be his duty, to suspend and discontinue the granting of said one day in seven during the continuation of such emergency."

Approved April 29, 1950.

[CHAPTER 139]

AN ACT

To amend Public Law 626, Eightieth Congress, relating to the Army Institute of Pathology Building.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of June 12, 1948 (Public Law 626, Eightieth Congress), is hereby amended by deleting that part which reads as follows:

"Forest Glen, Maryland: Complete plans and specifications for construction of an Army Institute of Pathology Building, including all necessary auxiliary facilities; \$600,000", and substituting the following:

"Army Medical Center, Washington, District of Columbia: Complete plans and specifications for construction of an Armed Forces Institute of Pathology Building, including all necessary auxiliary facilities; \$350,000."

Approved April 29, 1950.

[CHAPTER 149]

AN ACT

To authorize the sale of select base material, at the Fort Benning Military Reservation, to Muscogee County, State of Georgia, for use on county roads.

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 Army is hereby authorized to sell to the county of Muscogee, State of Georgia, such amounts of select base material as may be available at the Fort Benning Military Reservation, and as may be surplus to the foreseeable needs of the reservation, at the rate of not less than 5 cents per cubic yard, for use on county roads under such terms and conditions, which shall include those terms set out in section 2, as he may deem advisable.

SEC. 2. The term "select base material" as used herein shall be construed to mean such clay, sand, gravel, and topsoil as can be excavated by operating a borrow pit at an average depth of three feet.

April 29, 1950

[H. R. 4408]

[Public Law 494]

U. S. Park Police.
Time off in lieu of
Sunday.
43 Stat. 175.

April 29, 1950

[H. R. 6539]

[Public Law 495]

Armed Forces Insti-
tute of Pathology
Building.
62 Stat. 376.

May 2, 1950

[H. R. 2895]

[Public Law 496]

Fort Benning Military
Reservation, Ga.
Sale of surplus base
material.

"Select base mate-
rial."

SEC. 3. The purchaser shall assume all responsibility for damage due to contaminations or other military activities and shall not hold the Government of the United States liable for damages of any description.

SEC. 4. No select base material shall be removed subsequent to December 31, 1955.

SEC. 5. Any contract that may be entered into for the sale of select base material under the authority of this bill shall be revocable at will by the Secretary of the Army.

SEC. 6. The purchaser, as excavation in any area is completed, shall be required to level, drain, and fertilize that area to the satisfaction of the commanding general, Fort Benning, and, upon the completion of such leveling, draining, and fertilizing, to plant kudzu crowns on such area at the rate of five hundred to the acre.

SEC. 7. The boundaries of the area lying immediately south of the Macon Highway and west of Randall Creek, from which area select base material may be removed, shall be designated by the commanding general, Fort Benning, or by his duly appointed representative.

SEC. 8. The proceeds from the sale of select base material shall be covered into the general funds of the United States Treasury.

Approved May 2, 1950.

Revocability of contracts.

Leveling, etc., after excavation.

Boundaries.

Proceeds from sale.

[CHAPTER 150]

AN ACT

To authorize the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia to establish daylight saving time in the District.

May 2, 1950
[H. R. 6354]
[Public Law 497]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia is authorized to advance the standard time applicable to the District one hour for the period commencing not earlier than the last Sunday of April 1950 and ending not later than the last Sunday of September 1950. Any such time established by the Commissioners under the authority of this Act shall, during the period of the year for which it is applicable, be the standard time for the District of Columbia.

Daylight saving time, D. C.

Approved May 2, 1950.

[CHAPTER 151]

AN ACT

To amend title VIII of the National Housing Act, as amended, to encourage construction of rental housing on or in areas adjacent to Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force installations, and for other purposes.

May 2, 1950
[H. R. 7846]
[Public Law 498]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title VIII of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding the following new section at the end thereof:

National Housing Act, amendment.
63 Stat. 571.
12 U. S. C., Sup. III, §§ 1748-1748g.
Services of architects, engineers, etc.

“SEC. 809. Whenever the Secretary of the Army, Navy, or Air Force, or his duly designated representative, determines that it is desirable in order to effectuate the purposes of this title, the Secretary is authorized, without regard to the civil service and classification laws, to procure, by negotiation or otherwise, the services of architects and engineers, or organizations thereof, under such arrangements as he deems desirable, but at an expense not in excess of that permissible under the schedule of fees allowed from time to time by the Public Housing Administration in connection with projects assisted under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended. Such services may include the development of plans, drawings, and specifications

50 Stat. 888.
42 U. S. C. §§ 1401-1417, 1419-1430; Sup. III, § 1401 *et seq.*
Ante, p. 73.