

“Fourth, if none of the above, to the parents of such officer or employee or the survivor of them;

“Fifth, if none of the above, to the duly appointed executor or administrator of the estate of such officer or employee;

“Sixth, if none of the above, to other next of kin of such officer or employee as may be determined by the Civil Service Commission to be entitled under the laws of domicile of such officer or employee at the time of his death.

“Determination as to widow or child shall be made by the Civil Service Commission without regard to the definition of these terms stated in subsection (d) of this section.”

SEC. 2. All claims received in the Civil Service Commission after the effective date of this amendment shall be paid in accordance with the order of precedence stated herein.

SEC. 3. Section 12 (k) of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(k) Each employee or former employee to whom this Act applies may, under regulations prescribed by the Civil Service Commission, designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries for the purposes of this Act. Except where an application for benefits based on the death of the designator has been received in the Civil Service Commission not later than three months following the effective date of this amendment, all designations of beneficiary received in the Civil Service Commission more than one month before such effective date shall be null and void.”

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month following its date of approval.

Approved June 14, 1950.

Payment of claims.

62 Stat. 57.  
5 U. S. C., Sup. III,  
§ 724 (k).

Effective date.

[CHAPTER 248]

AN ACT

To amend section 3 of the Act of Congress approved June 28, 1906, relating to the Osage Indians of Oklahoma.

June 15, 1950  
[S. 1719]  
[Public Law 548]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 3 of the Act of Congress approved June 28, 1906 (34 Stat. 539, 543), is amended by striking out “President of the United States” and substituting in lieu thereof “Osage Tribal Council, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior”.

Approved June 15, 1950.

[CHAPTER 249]

AN ACT

To amend section 4934 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 35, sec. 78), as amended, to permit public libraries of the United States to acquire back copies of United States letters patent, and for other purposes.

June 15, 1950  
[S. 1739]  
[Public Law 549]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 4934 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 35, sec. 78), is amended by inserting after “*Provided*, That the Commissioner of Patents may supply public libraries of the United States with such copies as published, for \$50 per annum” a colon and the following: “*Provided further*, That the Commissioner of Patents may supply to any public library approved by the Commissioner, which on January 1, 1949, was receiving such copies under the preceding proviso, such copies for any year in which such library did not receive copies under the preceding proviso upon the payment of \$50 per year for any such year”.

Public libraries.  
Supplying of certain  
patent publications.

Approved June 15, 1950.