

period of two years after retirement who for himself or for others is engaged in the selling of or contracting for the sale of or negotiating for the sale of to any agency of the Department of Defense, the Coast Guard, the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and the Public Health Service any supplies or war materials.

This Act may be cited as the "General Appropriation Act, 1951".
Approved September 6, 1950.

Short title.

[CHAPTER 897]

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain mineral interests, and for other purposes.

September 6, 1950
[H. R. 4800]
[Public Law 760]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Secretary of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized and directed to sell, as hereinafter provided, all mineral interests now owned by the United States, which have been reserved or acquired by it under any program heretofore administered by the Resettlement Administration, or the Farm Security Administration, or now administered by the Farmers Home Administration, except the program administered pursuant to title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, and the program for the liquidation of labor camps pursuant to Public Law 298, Eightieth Congress.

Sale of certain U. S. mineral interests.

SEC. 2. Such mineral interests shall be sold only to private persons who shall apply therefor and who at the time of application are the owners of the surface of the land covered by the application. Applicants shall establish their title to the surface of the land covered by the application to the satisfaction of the Secretary at their own expense. Conveyances of mineral interests shall be by quitclaim deed executed by the Secretary or his delegate.

50 Stat. 525; 61 Stat. 694.
7 U. S. C. §§ 1010-1013; Sup. III, § 1017 note.
Ante, p. 73.
Application.

SEC. 3. In areas where the Secretary determines after consultation with the Department of the Interior and competent local authorities that there is no active mineral development or leasing, the mineral interests covered by a single application shall be sold for a consideration of \$1. In other areas the mineral interests shall be sold at the fair market value thereof as determined by the Secretary after taking into consideration such appraisals as he deems necessary or appropriate. Area determinations made by the Secretary pursuant to this section may be revised from time to time and the consideration to be obtained for the mineral interests in connection with any particular tract of land shall be determined by the rule applicable to the area in which the tract is located at the time of the application therefor: *Provided*, That, in the event any mineral interests covered by this Act are not sold as provided herein pursuant to application filed within seven years from the effective date of this Act or within seven years from the date of acquisition of the mineral interests of the United States, whichever date is later, the Secretary shall forthwith transfer title to such mineral interests, with the exception of those which were a part of or derived from the assets transferred pursuant to transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations, to the Secretary of the Interior to be administered under the mineral laws of the United States.

Area determinations.

Transfer of title.

SEC. 4. The Secretary is directed to authorize the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation to sell and convey the mineral interests heretofore or hereafter acquired by it in conformity with the policy expressed in this Act with respect to the mineral interests described in section 1 hereof.

Federal Farm Mortgage Corp.

Proceeds from sales.

SEC. 5. All proceeds from sales made under this Act of mineral interests described in section 1 hereof shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts, except that the proceeds from sales of mineral interests which were a part of or derived from the assets transferred pursuant to the transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations shall be credited to the appropriate corporation account.

Regulations, etc.

SEC. 6. The Secretary may make such rules and regulations and such delegations of authority as he may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Filing of application.

SEC. 7. No application for the purchase of mineral interests under this Act shall be filed until ninety days after this Act becomes effective.

Appropriation authorized.

SEC. 8. There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums as Congress may from time to time determine to be necessary to enable the Secretary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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[CHAPTER 898]

AN ACT

To provide for the refund of certain estate taxes.

September 6, 1950
[H. R. 7840]
[Public Law 761]

Internal Revenue
Code, amendment.
63 Stat. 896.
26 U. S. C., Sup. III,
§ 811 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 (c) of Public Law 378, Eighty-first Congress, first session, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(c) If refund or credit of any overpayment resulting from the application of subsections (a) and (b) is prevented on the date of the enactment of this Act, or within one year from such date, by the operation of any law or rule of law (other than section 3760 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to closing agreements, and other than section 3761 of such code, relating to compromises), refund or credit of such overpayment may, nevertheless, be made or allowed if claim therefor is filed within one year from the date of the enactment of this Act. This subsection shall not apply with respect to a transfer of property in case (1) the decedent retained for his life or for any period not ascertainable without reference to his death or for any period which did not in fact end before his death (A) the possession or enjoyment of, or the right to the income from, the property, or (B) the right, either alone or in conjunction with any person, to designate the persons who should possess or enjoy the property or the income therefrom, and (2) refund or credit of any overpayment resulting from the application of subsections (a) and (b) was prevented on or before January 16, 1949, by the operation of any law or rule of law.”

Approved September 6, 1950.

[CHAPTER 905]

AN ACT

To authorize the construction, protection, operation, and maintenance of a public airport in or in the vicinity of the District of Columbia.

September 7, 1950
[S. 456]
[Public Law 762]

Publicairport, D. C.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Commerce (hereinafter referred to as the “Secretary”) is hereby authorized and directed to construct, protect, operate, improve, and maintain within or in the vicinity of the District of Columbia, a public airport (including all buildings and other structures necessary or desirable therefor).