

(15) The terms "Commissioner of Education" and "Commissioner" mean the United States Commissioner of Education.

"School-age population."

(16) For the purposes of title I, the term "school-age population" means that part of the population which is between the ages of five and seventeen, both inclusive, and the school-age population of the several States shall be determined on the basis of the most recent estimates certified by the Department of Commerce; and for such purposes the term "school" means any elementary or secondary school which is tax-supported and publicly administered.

"School."

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 996]

AN ACT

September 23, 1950
[S. 2477]
[Public Law 816]

To amend title 14, United States Code, so as to equalize pay and retirement benefits of a certain class of commissioned officers of the Coast Guard.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting the following new section immediately following section 433 thereof:

"434. Personnel appointed as constructors

"In computing length of service of a person commissioned under the provisions of section 8 of the Act entitled 'An Act to readjust the commissioned personnel of the Coast Guard, and for other purposes', approved July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 817), there shall be included, in addition to all service now or hereafter creditable by law, for all purposes of retirement, all services as a civilian employee of the United States within the purview of sections 691, 693, 698, 707, 709-715, 716-719, 720-725, 727-729, 730, 731, and 733 of title 5; and for all purposes of pay, so much of such service as was rendered as a civilian employee in the Coast Guard. Service covering the same period shall not be counted more than once."

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 997]

AN ACT

September 23, 1950
[S. 2636]
[Public Law 817]

To amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 8 (a), as amended, of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, is amended (a) by striking out "January 1, 1951" wherever it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "January 1, 1953", and (b) by striking out "December 31, 1950" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31, 1952".

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 998]

AN ACT

September 23, 1950
[S. 2724]
[Public Law 818]

To amend the Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946, as amended, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 (b) of the Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946 (Public Law 704, Seventy-ninth Congress), approved August 9, 1946 (60 Stat. 963), as amended, is amended as follows:

Change the period at the end thereof to a comma and insert: "except that leave actually taken during any fiscal year may be charged to leave accruing during such fiscal year without regard to such sixty-day

41 Stat. 614.
5 U. S. C., Sup. III,
§ 691 *et seq.*
Anle, pp. 214, 215,
843; *post*, p. 1120.

Coast Guard.
63 Stat. 528.
14 U. S. C., Sup. III,
§ 433.

Service credit.

49 Stat. 1149; 62 Stat.
1250.
16 U. S. C., Sup. III,
§ 590b (a).

Armed Forces Leave
Act of 1946, amend-
ment.
60 Stat. 964.
37 U. S. C., Sup. III,
§ 31a (b).