

# PUBLIC LAWS OF THE SIXTY-SIXTH CONGRESS

OF THE

## UNITED STATES

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the first day of December, 1919, and was adjourned without day on Saturday, the fifth day of June, 1920.

WOODROW WILSON, President; THOMAS R. MARSHALL, Vice President; ALBERT B. CUMMINS, President of the Senate *pro tempore*; REED SMOOT, Acting President of the Senate *pro tempore*, January 17, April 17-20, 1920; JAMES E. WATSON, Acting President of the Senate *pro tempore*, March 11 and 12, April 6-8, 1920; CHARLES CURTIS, Acting President of the Senate *pro tempore*, March 25-30, 1920; SELDEN P. SPENCER, Acting President of the Senate *pro tempore*, May 14, 1920; THOMAS STERLING, Acting President of the Senate *pro tempore*, May 19, 1920; IRVING L. LENROOT, Acting President of the Senate *pro tempore*, May 21, 1920; FREDERICK H. GILLET, Speaker of the House of Representatives; JOSEPH WALSH, Speaker of the House of Representatives *pro tempore*, March 11-20, 1920; PHILIP P. CAMPBELL, Speaker of the House of Representatives *pro tempore*, April 26 and 27, 1920.

CHAP. 1.—An Act To amend an Act entitled “An Act relating to the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia,” approved February 28, 1901, and for other purposes.

December 5, 1919.  
[H. R. 9821.]  
[Public, No. 94.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraphs 2, 8, and 9 of section 1, of the Act entitled “An Act relating to the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia,” approved February 28, 1901, as amended by the Act approved June 8, 1906, entitled “An Act to amend section 1 of an Act entitled ‘An Act relating to the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia,’” approved February 28, 1901, are hereby amended to read as follows:

District of Columbia.  
Metropolitan police.  
Vol. 31, p. 819.  
Vol. 34, p. 221, amend-  
ed.

“PAR. 2. The commissioners of said District shall appoint to office, assign to such duty or duties as they may prescribe, and promote all officers and members of said Metropolitan police force: *Provided*, That all officers, members, and civilian employees of the force, except the major and superintendent, the assistant superintendents, and the inspectors, shall hereafter be appointed and promoted in accordance with the provisions of an act entitled ‘An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States,’ approved January 16, 1883, as amended, and the rules and regulations made in pursuance thereof, in the same manner as members of the classified civil service of the United States: *Provided further*, That hereafter the assistant superintendents and inspectors shall be selected from among the captains of the force and shall be returned to the rank of captain when the commissioners so determine: *Provided further*, That privates of class 1, if found efficient, shall serve one year on probation, privates of class 2 shall serve two years subsequent to service in class 1, and privates of class 3 shall include all those privates who have served efficiently three or more years.”

Appointment of  
force.

*Privates*.  
Civil service laws to  
govern.  
Exceptions.

Vol. 22, p. 403.

Selection of assistant  
superintendents and  
inspectors.

Privates.

Salaries increased.  
Vol. 34, p. 223, amend-  
ed.

“PAR. 8. That the annual basic salaries of the officers and members of the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia shall be as follows: Major and superintendent, \$4,500; assistant superintendents, \$3,000 each; inspectors, \$2,400 each; police surgeons, \$1,600 each; captains, \$2,400 each; lieutenants, \$2,000 each; sergeants, \$1,800 each; privates of class 3, \$1,660 each; privates of class 2, \$1,560 each; privates of class 1, \$1,460 each. Members of said police force who may be mounted on horses, furnished and maintained by themselves, shall each receive an extra compensation of \$540 per annum; and members of the said force who may be mounted on motor vehicles, furnished and maintained by themselves, shall each receive an extra

Mounted men.

compensation of \$480 per annum; and members of the said force who may be mounted on bicycles shall each receive an extra compensation of \$70 per annum: *Provided*, That patrol drivers of the Metropolitan police are hereby declared to be members of the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia, but shall not be rated above class 2 privates, and those patrol drivers who have been appointed since April 6, 1917, shall be required to pass the usual physical and other tests required for members of the regular force: *Provided further*, That every officer or member of the Metropolitan police at the time this Act becomes law, shall, in addition to the salary received by him for his period of service between August 1, 1919, and the time this Act becomes law, receive for such period the difference between such salary and the salary payable to him under the provisions of this Act, for a period of equal duration."

*Provisos.*  
Status of patrol drivers.

Increase allowed from August 1, 1919.

Affiliation with organizations advocating strikes, prohibited.

Discharge for violation.

Punishment for conspiracy, etc., to interfere with duties by strikes, etc.

Resignations restricted.

Appropriation for increased pay.

Half from District revenue.

*Ante*, p. 86.

Park police. Watchmen in public squares to be so termed.

Salaries.

Increase allowed from August 1, 1919.

Appropriation for increased pay. Vol. 40, p. 1240. Post, p. 509.

"**PAB. 9.** No member of the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia shall be or become a member of any organization, or of an organization affiliated with another organization, which itself, or any subordinate, component or affiliated organization of which holds, claims, or uses the strike to enforce its demands. Upon sufficient proof to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia that any member of the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia has violated the provisions of this section, it shall be the duty of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to immediately discharge such member from the service.

"Any member of the Metropolitan police who enters into a conspiracy, combination, or agreement with the purpose of substantially interfering with or obstructing the efficient conduct or operation of the police force in the District of Columbia by a strike or other disturbance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$300 or by imprisonment of not more than six months, or by both.

"No officer or member of the said police force, under penalty of forfeiting the salary or pay which may be due him, shall withdraw or resign, except by permission of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, unless he shall have given the major and superintendent one month's notice in writing of such intention."

**SEC. 2.** That one-half of the amount necessary to provide for the increased salaries and compensation of the Metropolitan police authorized in this Act is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the other one-half out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, to supplement the amounts appropriated for the members and employees of the Metropolitan police mentioned in the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the Government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and for other purposes," approved July 11, 1919.

**SEC. 3.** That the watchmen provided by the United States Government for service in any of the public squares and reservations in the District of Columbia shall hereafter be known as the "United States park police," and their annual basic salaries shall be as follows: Lieutenant, \$1,900; first sergeant, \$1,700; sergeants, \$1,580; privates, \$1,360: *Provided*, That every watchman employed for such service at the time this Act becomes law shall, in addition to the salary received by him for the period of service between August 1, 1919, and the time this Act becomes law, receive for such period the difference between such salary and the salary payable to him under the provisions of this section for a period of equal duration.

**SEC. 4.** That to provide for the increased salaries and compensation of the United States park police, so much as is necessary is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-

riated, to supplement the amounts appropriated for park watchmen mentioned in the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and for other purposes," approved March 1, 1919.

Approved, December 5, 1919.

**CHAP. 2.**—An Act Authorizing the Chincoteague Toll Road and Bridge Company, Incorporated, a corporation created by, and existing under, the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to construct certain bridges to connect Chincoteague Island and the mainland.

December 10, 1919.  
[S. 2961.]  
[Public, No. 95.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Chincoteague Toll Road and Bridge Company, Incorporated, a corporation created by, and existing under, the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, be, and it is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate, at points suitable to the interests of navigation, six highway bridges and approaches thereto across Mosquito Creek, Cockle Creek, Queen Sound, Wire Narrows, Black Narrows, and Chincoteague Channel for the purpose of connecting Chincoteague Island to the mainland, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Chincoteague Island, Va.  
Chincoteague Toll Road and Bridge Company may connect, with mainland by bridges.

Construction.  
Vol. 34, p. 84.

**SEC. 2.** That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, December 10, 1919.

**CHAP. 3.**—An Act To authorize the change of the name of the steamer Charlotte Graveraet Breitung to T. K. Maher.

December 10, 1919.  
[H. R. 6857.]  
[Public, No. 96.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed, upon the application of the owner, the Morrow Steamship Company, of Mentor, Lake County, Ohio, to change the name of the steamer Charlotte Graveraet Breitung, official number twenty-seven thousand six hundred and sixty-five, to the T. K. Maher.

"Charlotte Graveraet Breitung," steamer.  
Change of name to "T. K. Maher," authorized.

Approved, December 10, 1919.

**CHAP. 4.**—An Act Providing additional time for the payment of purchase money under homestead entries of lands within the former Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana.

December 11, 1919.  
[S. 183.]  
[Public, No. 97.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any person who has made homestead entry under the provisions of the act of Congress approved May 30, 1908 (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page 558), entitled "An Act for the survey and allotment of lands now embraced within the limits of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, in the State of Montana, and the sale and disposal of all the surplus lands after allotment," may obtain an extension of time for one year from the anniversary of the date of entry last preceding the passage of this Act within which to pay the one-half of the installment then due or such part of any preceding installment, where payment has not been yet made and where an extension of time therefor is not authorized by the act of Congress approved March 2, 1917 (Thirty-ninth Statutes at Large, page 994), by paying interest at the rate of 5 per centum per annum on the sums to be extended from the maturity of the unpaid installments to the

Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Mont.  
Time extensions for installments by homesteaders on ceded lands of.  
Vol. 35, p. 561; Vol. 38, p. 1952.  
Vol. 39, p. 994, amended.

Interest payments.