

SEC. 2. The heads of the several executive departments and independent establishments are authorized and directed to adjust the compensation of certain civilian positions in the field services, the compensation of which was adjusted by the Act of December 6, 1924 (43 Stat. 604), to correspond, so far as may be practicable, to the rates established by the Act of May 28, 1928 (U. S. C., Supp. 3, title 5, sec. 673), and by this Act for positions in the departmental services in the District of Columbia: *Provided*, That the terms of this Act shall apply to employees carried under Group 4-B, including drafting groups, in the Schedule of Wages for Civil Employees under the Naval Establishment, notwithstanding the fact that the compensation of such employees was not adjusted by the Act of December 6, 1924 (43 Stat. 604), or the Act of May 28, 1928 (U. S. C., Supp. 3, title 5, sec. 673).

SEC. 3. Except as amended by this Act the provisions of the Act of May 28, 1928 (U. S. C., supp. 3, title 5, sec. 673), shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 4. The Personnel Classification Board shall have authority to ascertain currently the facts as to the duties and responsibilities of any such position and to review and, subject to the President's approval, to change the allocation thereof whenever, in its opinion, the facts warrant: *Provided*, That such review and change shall be made only after consultation with the heads of the departments concerned and after affording all incumbents of positions affected an opportunity to be heard, of which hearing a permanent written record shall be made and kept, including all testimony taken: *Provided further*, That in all cases where the board shall change the allocation of a position to a lower grade the rate of pay fixed for such position prior to such change may be continued so long as the position is held by the incumbent then occupying it.

SEC. 5. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated annually for salaries and expenses of the Personnel Classification Board such sums as may be necessary to enable them to carry into effect the provisions of the Classification Act of 1923 and amendments thereto: *Provided*, That nothing contained herein shall be interpreted to preclude the temporary detail to the board of officers or employees of the several departments possessed of special knowledge, ability, or experience required in the classification of positions as now authorized by law.

SEC. 6. There is hereby created a position of director of classification, who shall be appointed by the board, which hereafter shall consist only of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, a member of the Civil Service Commission, and the Chief of the United States Bureau of Efficiency, the Director of the Bureau of the Budget to be the chairman of the board, and who, under the general direction of the board, shall exercise and perform all powers and duties which the board is authorized to exercise and perform.

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CHAP. 851.—An Act Authorizing commissioners or members of international tribunals to administer oaths, to subpoena witnesses and records, and to punish for contempt.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any claim in which the United States or any of its nationals is interested is pending before an international tribunal or commission, established pursuant to an agreement between the United States and any foreign government or governments, each member of such tribunal or commission, or the clerk or a secretary thereof, shall have authority to administer oaths in all proceedings before the tribunal

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or commission; and every person knowingly and willfully swearing or affirming falsely in any such proceedings, whether held within or outside the United States, its territories or possessions, shall be deemed guilty of perjury and shall, upon conviction, suffer the punishment provided by the laws of the United States for that offense, when committed in its courts of justice.

Issue of subpoena to require witness attendance, etc.

SEC. 2. Any such international tribunal or commission shall have power to require by subpoena the attendance and the testimony of witnesses and the production of documentary evidence relating to any matter pending before it. Any member of the tribunal or commission may sign subpoenas.

Signing of.

Failure, regarded as contempt.

SEC. 3. Any failure to attend as a witness or to testify as a witness or to produce documentary evidence in an appropriate case may be regarded as a contempt of the authority of the tribunal or commission and shall be punishable in any court of the United States in the same manner as is provided by the laws of the United States for that offense when committed in its courts of justice.

Punishment for.

Commissioners appointed by tribunal, to take evidence, etc., and report.

SEC. 4. To afford such international tribunal or commission needed facilities for the disposition of cases pending therein said tribunal or commission is authorized and empowered to appoint competent persons, to be named as commissioners, who shall attend the taking of or take evidence in cases that may be assigned to them severally by the tribunal or commission and make report of the findings in the case to the tribunal or commission. Any such commissioner shall proceed under such rules and regulations as may be promulgated by the tribunal or commission and such orders as the tribunal or commission may make in the particular case, and may have and perform the general duties that pertain to special masters in suits in equity. He may fix the times for hearings, administer oaths, examine witnesses, and receive evidence. Either party to the proceeding before the tribunal or commission may appear before the commissioner by attorney, produce evidence, and examine witnesses. Subpoenas for witnesses or for the production of testimony before the commissioner may issue out of the tribunal or commission by the clerk thereof and shall be served by a United States marshal in any judicial district in which they are directed. Subpoenas issued by such tribunal or commission requiring the attendance of witnesses in order to be examined before any person commissioned to take testimony therein shall have the same force as if issued from a district court and compliance therewith shall be compelled under such rules and orders as the tribunal or commission shall establish. Any person appointed as commissioner may be removed at the pleasure of the tribunal or commission by which he is appointed.

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CHAP. 852.—An Act To make permanent the additional office of district judge created for the eastern district of Illinois by the Act of September 14, 1922.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the additional office of district judge for the eastern district of Illinois, created by the Act entitled "An Act for the appointment of an additional circuit judge for the fourth judicial circuit, for the appointment of additional district judges for certain districts, providing for an annual conference of certain judges, and for other purposes," approved September 14, 1922, shall not be subject to the provisions of the third paragraph of section 1 of such Act, prohibiting the filling of vacancies.

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