

SEC. 2. Within thirty days after the enactment of this Act the heads of departments and agencies in the executive branch, whose employees are affected by the provisions of this joint resolution, shall present to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget such information as he shall require for the purpose of justifying the number of employees in their respective departments or agencies. If any such department or agency fails to present such information or if, in the opinion of the Director, the information so presented fails to disclose that the number of such employees in any department or agency is necessary to the proper and efficient exercise of its functions, the personnel of such department or agency shall be reduced, upon the order of the Director, by such number as the Director finds to be in excess of the minimum requirements of such department or agency. Upon the expiration of thirty days from the date of issuance of such order by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget the provisions of the first section of this joint resolution shall cease to be applicable to the employees of the agency affected by such order, unless and until the head thereof has certified to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget that such order has been complied with. The Civil Service Commission is authorized to transfer to other departments or agencies any employees released pursuant to this section, whose services are needed in and can be effectively utilized by such other departments or agencies.

SEC. 3. The provisions of the Saturday half-holiday law of March 3, 1931 (46 Stat. 1482; U. S. C., title 5, sec. 26 (a)), are hereby suspended for the period during which this joint resolution is in effect.

SEC. 4. This joint resolution shall take effect as of December 1, 1942, and shall terminate on April 30, 1943, or such earlier date as the Congress by concurrent resolution may prescribe.

Approved, December 22, 1942.

[CHAPTER 799]

AN ACT

To provide for conveyance of lands to the town of Cordova, Alaska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to convey to the town of Cordova, Alaska, a municipal corporation of the Territory of Alaska, a certain parcel or tract of land to be used by said town for recreational purposes. Said parcel or tract being described as follows:

That certain tract of land, lying and being adjacent to the town of Cordova, Alaska, in Cordova Recording District, Territory of Alaska, the main portion of which is within "station ground tract A" of the Copper River and Northwestern Railway Company, and the remainder of which passes through the right-of-way of such railway company, particularly bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a point on the center line of the Copper River and Northwestern Railway Station number 66+88.5; thence south thirty-eight degrees thirty-four minutes west two hundred and seventy feet; thence north eighty-six degrees sixteen minutes west two hundred and twenty feet; thence south three degrees forty-four minutes west forty feet; thence north eighty-six degrees sixteen minutes west ninety-five feet; thence south seven degrees eighteen minutes west two hundred and fifty-two feet; thence south sixty-seven degrees forty-four minutes forty seconds east three hundred and seventy-five

Number of employees.
Justification to Bureau of Budget.

Reduction in certain cases.

Effect of noncompliance with order.

Transfer of released employees.

Saturday half-holiday law, suspension.
5 U. S. C., Supp. I, § 26a note.

Effective date; duration.

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[Public Law 822]

Cordova, Alaska.
Conveyance of land.

feet; thence north seventeen degrees eighteen minutes east four hundred and eight feet; thence north thirty-eight degrees thirty-four minutes east two hundred and thirty-three feet, to the center line of the Copper River and Northwestern Railway; thence northwesterly along said center line of said railway to the place of beginning.

Existing rights; mineral reservations.

Use of lands for recreational purposes.

Forfeiture provision.

Any conveyance made pursuant to this Act shall be subject to all valid existing rights and claims, shall reserve to the United States all mineral deposits in the lands and the right to prospect for and remove the deposits under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, and shall provide that the lands conveyed shall be used by the town of Cordova, Alaska, for recreational purposes only and that if the town shall cease to use the lands or any parts thereof for such purposes they shall revert to the United States. The Secretary of the Interior may declare a forfeiture of the grant if at any time he shall determine that the town has not used such lands for recreational purposes for more than one year. Such a determination by the Secretary shall be final, and thereupon such lands shall become a part of the public domain.

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[CHAPTER 800]

AN ACT

December 22, 1942
[H. R. 7191]
[Public Law 823]

To authorize the exchange of lands not in Federal ownership within the Olympic National Park, Washington, for national forest lands in the State of Washington.

Olympic National Park, Wash.
Exchange of lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title to State, county, and private lands situated north of the line between townships 27 and 28 north, Willamette base and meridian, Washington, and within the boundaries of the Olympic National Park as now or hereafter established by proclamation of the President of the United States, shall be subject to acceptance under the provisions of the Act approved March 20, 1922 (42 Stat. 465; 16 U. S. C. 485), and such lands when vested in the ownership of the United States shall be a part of the Olympic National Park subject to all laws and regulations applicable thereto.

Approved, December 22, 1942.

[CHAPTER 801]

AN ACT

December 22, 1942
[H. R. 7336]
[Public Law 824]

To permit the reemployment of persons retired under the Alaska Railroad Retirement Act.

Reemployment of persons retired under Alaska Railroad Retirement Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person heretofore or hereafter retired from the service under the provisions of the Alaska Railroad Retirement Act (49 Stat. 2017; 5 U. S. C., ch. 14A) and who is beyond the retirement age shall be eligible for reemployment in the service of the Alaska Railroad or in the service of the War or Navy Departments if the appointing authority determines that such person is qualified and is physically capable of performing the duties of the position.

Salary deductions.

Effect on annuity rights.

SEC. 2. There shall be deducted and withheld from the basic salary, pay, or compensation of such reemployed person and credited to his account as provided in the Alaska Railroad Retirement Act the regular deductions prescribed by such Act. The payment of the annuity of such person shall be terminated during the period of reemployment under this Act. Any such person whose annuity is terminated shall,