

23 U. S. C. § 1; Supp. III, § 2 et seq.

SEC. 2. Nothing herein contained shall affect the applicability of the Federal Highway Act, approved November 9, 1921 (42 Stat. 212), as amended, to the public highway to be constructed on the land authorized to be conveyed hereunder.

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[CHAPTER 428]

AN ACT

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To amend the Naval Reserve Act of 1938, as amended, and the Coast Guard Auxiliary and Reserve Act of 1941, as amended, so as to permit service of members of the Women's Reserve in the American area, the Territories of Hawaii and Alaska, and for other purposes.

Women's Reserve of the Navy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 504 of Title V—Women's Reserve, of the Naval Reserve Act of 1938, added by the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the war effort by releasing officers and men for duty at sea and their replacement by women in the shore establishment of the Navy, and for other purposes", approved July 30, 1942 (56 Stat. 730; U. S. C., 1940 edition, Supp. III, title 34, sec. 857c), is amended to read as follows:

Service restrictions; duty outside continental U. S.

"SEC. 504. Members of the Women's Reserve shall not be assigned to duty on board vessels of the Navy or in aircraft while such aircraft are engaged in combat missions and shall not be assigned to duty outside the American area and the Territories of Hawaii and Alaska, and may be assigned to duty outside the continental United States only upon their prior request."

Women's Reserve of the Coast Guard.

SEC. 2. Section 404 of Title IV—Women's Reserve, of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and Reserve Act of 1941, as added by the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Coast Guard Auxiliary and Reserve Act of 1941; as amended, so as to expedite the war effort by providing for releasing officers and men for duty at sea, and their replacement by women in the shore establishment of the Coast Guard, and for other purposes", approved November 23, 1942 (56 Stat. 1020; U. S. C., 1940 edition, Supp. III, title 14, sec. 384), is amended to read as follows:

Service restrictions; duty outside continental U. S.

"SEC. 404. Members of the Women's Reserve shall not be assigned to duty on board vessels of the Navy or Coast Guard or in aircraft while such aircraft are engaged in combat missions and shall not be assigned to duty outside the American area and the Territories of Hawaii and Alaska, and may be assigned to duty outside the continental United States only upon their prior request."

"American area."

SEC. 3. As used in this Act the term "American area" means the area geographically defined as follows:

"East boundary: From the North Pole, south along the seventy-fifth meridian west longitude to the seventy-seventh parallel north latitude, thence southeast through Davis Strait to the intersection of the fortieth parallel north latitude and the thirty-fifth meridian west longitude, thence south along that meridian to the tenth parallel north latitude, thence southeast to the intersection of the equator and the twentieth meridian west longitude, thence along the twentieth meridian west longitude to the South Pole.

"West boundary: From the North Pole, south along the one hundred and forty-first meridian west longitude to the east boundary of Alaska, thence south and southeast along the Alaskan boundary to the Pacific Ocean, thence south along the one hundred and thirtieth meridian to its intersection with the thirtieth parallel north latitude, thence southeast to the intersection of the equator and the one hundredth meridian west longitude, thence south along the one hundredth meridian west longitude to the South Pole."

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