

[CHAPTER 412]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for United States participation in the Philippine independence ceremonies on July 4, 1946.

June 15, 1946
[H. J. Res. 360]
[Public Law 414]

Philippine independence ceremonies.
Commission.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby created a commission to be composed of not more than fifteen members, as follows: Not more than three officers of the Executive branch of the Government to be appointed by the President of the United States; not more than six Members of the Senate to be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate; and not more than six Members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The commissioners shall serve without compensation and shall select a chairman from among their number.

U. S. participation.

SEC. 2. The commission is authorized to represent the United States at the ceremonies to be held at Manila on July 4, 1946, in celebration of the independence of the Philippines, and to make and carry out appropriate plans for United States participation in such ceremonies. In making and carrying out such plans the commission is authorized to cooperate with official representatives of the Philippines.

Employees.
42 Stat. 1433.
5 U. S. C. §§ 661-674;
Supp. V, § 661 *et seq.*
Ante, pp. 216, 219.

SEC. 3. The commission is authorized, without regard to the civil-service laws or the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, to appoint and prescribe the duties, and fix the compensation, of such employees as are necessary for the execution of its functions.

Appropriations authorized.
Post, pp. 263, 602.

SEC. 4. Such amounts as may be necessary are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the carrying out of the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved June 15, 1946.

[CHAPTER 413]

AN ACT

To provide for the appointment of one additional district judge for the northern district of California.

June 15, 1946
[S. 1163]
[Public Law 415]

California.
Appointment of district judge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one additional district judge for the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of California: *Provided*, That unless the President shall, not later than July 1, 1946, submit a nomination to the Senate to fill the office hereby created, then in that event this Act shall be of no force and effect.

Time limitation.

Approved June 15, 1946.

[CHAPTER 419]

AN ACT

To facilitate the liquidation of Washington Railway and Electric Company.

June 18, 1946
[H. R. 5718]
[Public Law 416]

Washington Railway and Electric Company, liquidation.
37 Stat. 990.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the inhibitions and restrictions contained in sections 804 and 805 of title 43 of the Code of Laws of the District of Columbia be, and the same are hereby, removed so far, and only so far, as they affect the validity of any action taken by Washington Railway and Electric Company or Potomac Electric Power Company, with the approval of the Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia, pursuant to an order of the

Securities and Exchange Commission under the provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

SEC. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 216 of title 29 of the Code of Laws of the District of Columbia, Potomac Electric Power Company, with the approval of the Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia, may acquire the capital stock of Braddock Light and Power Company, Incorporated, if authorized so to do by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and, after such acquisition, may hold the same and, from time to time, acquire additional shares thereof.

SEC. 3. The inhibitions and restrictions contained in section 502 of title 43 of the Code of Laws of the District of Columbia be, and the same are hereby, removed so far, and only so far, as they affect the acquisition and ownership of any stock or bonds lawfully owned by Washington Railway and Electric Company by any corporation lawfully holding the stock of Washington Railway and Electric Company at the time of any such acquisition, provided such acquisition is pursuant to an order of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

SEC. 4. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved to the Congress. Nothing contained in this Act shall affect the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission for the District of Columbia, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any agency or officer of the United States; nor shall anything herein be construed as approving or disapproving or prejudging any action taken by either Commission or any agency or officer of the United States; nor shall anything contained herein be construed as a prejudgment to the issues raised by the United States in United States against Public Utilities Commission for the District of Columbia (now pending a decision in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, case numbered 8995).

Approved June 18, 1946.

[CHAPTER 422]

AN ACT

To amend section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia", approved May 27, 1924.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia", approved May 27, 1924, as reads: "members of said force detailed to detective headquarters in the prevention and detection of crime shall each receive extra compensation of \$600 per annum; members of said force who may be mounted on bicycles shall receive an extra compensation of \$70 per annum; members of said force detailed for special service in the various precincts in the prevention and detection of crime shall each receive an extra compensation of \$240 per annum; and members detailed to motorcycle service shall each receive an extra compensation of \$120 per annum." be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows: "members of said force assigned to detective headquarters in the prevention and detection of crime shall have their basic salaries increased by \$600 per annum; members of said force who may be mounted on bicycles shall have their basic salaries increased by \$70 per annum; members of said force assigned

49 Stat. 803.
15 U. S. C. §§ 79-79z-6.
Potomac Electric Power Company.
Acquisition of certain capital stock.
31 Stat. 1286.

Supra.

Acquisition and ownership of certain stock or bonds.
37 Stat. 1006.

Supra.

Rights reserved.

June 19, 1946
[H. R. 5000]
[Public Law 417]

District of Columbia.
Salaries of policemen.
Post, p. 480.

43 Stat. 174.
D. C. Code § 4-108;
Supp. V, § 4-108 note.

Increase in basic salaries.