

and postal service credit shall be allowed for all payments made under authority of per diem orders issued by the Postmaster General pursuant to section 1 of this Act.

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[CHAPTER 410]

AN ACT

To amend the Act of April 21, 1932 (47 Stat. 88), entitled "An Act to provide for the leasing of the segregated coal and asphalt deposits of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian Nations, in Oklahoma, and for an extension of time within which purchasers of such deposits may complete payments".

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of April 21, 1932 (47 Stat. 88), is hereby amended to provide that leases or renewal leases may be made for any term not to exceed fifteen years: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall operate to prevent the sale pursuant to law of the segregated coal or asphalt deposits leased or unleased of the Choctaw-Chickasaw Nations at any time, but any such sale shall be subject to any leases of such deposits heretofore or hereafter made pursuant to law.

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[CHAPTER 411]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for civil functions administered by the War Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, for civil functions administered by the War Department, and for other purposes, namely:

## CIVIL FUNCTIONS OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT

### QUARTERMASTER CORPS

#### CEMETERIAL EXPENSES

Cemeterial expenses: For maintaining and improving national cemeteries, including fuel for and pay of superintendents and the superintendent at Mexico City, and other employees; purchase of grave sites; maintenance of the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater, chapel, and grounds in the Arlington National Cemetery, and that portion of Congressional Cemetery to which the United States has title and the graves of those buried therein, including Confederate graves, and the burial site of Pushmataha, a Choctaw Indian chief; repair to roadways but not to more than a single approach road to any national cemetery; for headstones or markers for unmarked graves of soldiers, sailors, and marines under the Acts approved March 3, 1873, February 3, 1879, February 26, 1929, and April 18, 1940 (24 U. S. C. 279-280b), and civilians interred in post cemeteries; for maintenance of monuments, tablets, roads, fences, and so forth, made and constructed by the United States in Cuba and China to mark the places where American soldiers fell; maintenance of the Confederate Mound in Oakwood Cemetery at Chicago, the Confederate Stockade Cemetery at Johnstons Island, the Confederate burial plats owned by the United States in Confederate Cemetery at North Alton, the

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Choctaw-Chickasaw  
Nations.  
Coal and asphalt  
deposits.

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War Department  
Civil Appropriation  
Act, 1948.  
*Ante*, pp. 71, 118,  
187, 188, 245, 361, 608,  
609, 625; *post*, p. 779.

Maintenance of na-  
tional cemeteries.

Headstones.  
17 Stat. 545; 20 Stat.  
281; 45 Stat. 1307; 54  
Stat. 142.

Confederate ceme-  
teries.

Confederate Cemetery, Camp Chase, at Columbus, the Confederate Cemetery at Point Lookout, and the Confederate Cemetery at Rock Island; and for maintenance of graves used by the Army for burials in commercial cemeteries; \$4,190,387: *Provided*, That no railroad shall be permitted upon any right-of-way which may have been acquired by the United States leading to a national cemetery, or to encroach upon any roads or walks constructed thereon and maintained by the United States: *Provided further*, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for repairing any roadway not owned by the United States within the corporate limits of any city, town, or village: *Provided further*, That upon completion of repairs to the approach road to the Natchez, Mississippi, National Cemetery, provided for in this Act, the Secretary of War is authorized to convey title thereto to the State of Mississippi or any county, municipality, or proper agency thereof in accordance with the provisions of section 1 of the War Department Civil Appropriation Act, 1942 (55 Stat. 191).

Commercial cemeteries.  
Encroachment by railroad.

Roadway repairs.

Conveyance of title.

24 U. S. C. § 289.

#### CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, NO YEAR

Cemeterial expenses (Act of May 16, 1946): For all expenses necessary, not otherwise provided for, to enable the Secretary of War to carry out his responsibilities in connection with the evacuation and return to their homeland of the remains of members of the armed forces and certain citizens and employees of the United States as authorized by the Act of May 16, 1946, Public Law Numbered 383, including burial expenses or payment of allowances in lieu thereof; personal services at the seat of government and elsewhere; construction of buildings and facilities; acquisition of real estate or interests therein; purchase, operation, maintenance, and repair of passenger automobiles; printing and binding; settlement of claims incident to and resulting from activities pursuant to said Act in accordance with the Act approved July 3, 1943 (31 U. S. C. 223b); and communication and other services and supplies at the seat of government or elsewhere; \$60,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary of War is authorized to furnish, without reimbursement, supplies and equipment in excess of the needs of the Military Establishment and to make available existing facilities of the Military Establishment to the fullest extent possible for the accomplishment of the objects provided for herein: *Provided further*, That expenditures from this appropriation may be made when necessary to carry out its purpose without regard to sections 355, 1136, 3648, 3709, and 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, or civil-service and classification laws.

*Ante*, p. 71; *post*, p. 779.  
60 Stat. 182.  
50 U. S. C. app. §§ 1811-1816.

*Supra*.

57 Stat. 372.  
31 U. S. C. §§ 215-217 notes, 223b, 223c.

50 U. S. C. § 175; 10 U. S. C. § 1339; 31 U. S. C. § 529; 41 U. S. C. § 5; 40 U. S. C. §§ 259, 267.

### SIGNAL CORPS

#### ALASKA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Alaska Communication System: For expenses necessary for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the Alaska Communication System, including purchase of two passenger motor vehicles, \$1,804,000, to remain available until the close of the fiscal year 1949.

### CORPS OF ENGINEERS

#### RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

To be immediately available and to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers, and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the services of such additional technical and clerical personnel as the Secretary of War may deem necessary may be employed only in the Office of the

Additional personnel.

Chief of Engineers, to carry into effect the various appropriations for rivers and harbors and flood control, surveys, and preparation for and the consideration of river and harbor and flood-control estimates and bills, to be paid from such appropriations: *Provided further*, That the expenditures on this account for the fiscal year 1948 shall not exceed \$1,100,000, and the Secretary of War shall each year, in the Budget, report to Congress the number of persons so employed, their duties, and the amount paid to each: *Provided further*, That the various appropriations for rivers and harbors and flood control may be used for the purchase, in the fiscal year 1948, of two hundred passenger motor vehicles and ten motorboats, and the purchase, maintenance, repair, and operation of twelve aircraft: *Provided further*, That hereafter no appropriation under the Corps of Engineers shall be available for any expenses incident to operating any power-driven boat or vessel on other than Government business, and that Government business shall be construed to include transportation, lodging, and subsistence on inspection trips of Federal and State officials, having a public interest in authorized or proposed improvements for river and harbor and flood control, and any expenses incurred therefor shall be chargeable to river and harbor and flood control appropriations heretofore or hereafter made under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Chief of Engineers: *Provided further*, That such expenditures shall be certified by the Division Engineer as necessary and proper expenditures:

## RIVERS AND HARBORS

Maintenance, etc. Maintenance and improvement of existing river and harbor works: For the preservation and maintenance of existing river and harbor works, and for the prosecution of such projects heretofore authorized as may be most desirable in the interests of commerce and navigation; for survey of northern and northwestern lakes and other boundary and connecting waters as heretofore authorized, including the preparation, correction, printing, and issuing of charts and bulletins and the investigation of lake levels; for prevention of obstructive and injurious deposits within the harbor and adjacent waters of New York City; for expenses of the California Débris Commission in carrying on the work authorized by the Act approved March 1, 1893, as amended (33 U. S. C. 661, 678, and 683); for removing sunken vessels or craft obstructing or endangering navigation as authorized by law; for operating and maintaining, keeping in repair, and continuing in use without interruption any lock, canal (except the Panama Canal), canalized river, or other public works for the use and benefit of navigation belonging to the United States, including maintenance of the Hennepin Canal in Illinois; for payment annually of tuition fees of not to exceed one hundred student officers of the Corps of Engineers at civil technical institutions under the provisions of section 127a of the National Defense Act, as amended (10 U. S. C. 535); for examinations, surveys, and contingencies of rivers and harbors; for the execution of detailed investigations and the preparation of plans and specifications for projects heretofore or hereafter authorized; for printing and binding and office supplies and equipment required in the Office of the Chief of Engineers to carry out the purposes of this appropriation, including such printing, either during a recess or session of Congress, of surveys authorized by law, and such surveys as may be printed during a recess of Congress shall be printed, with illustrations, as documents of the next succeeding session of Congress: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for any preliminary examination, survey, project, or estimate not authorized by law, \$116,718,700: *Provided further*, That from this appropriation the Secretary of War may, in his discretion and on the recommendation

Limitation on expenditures.  
Report to Congress.  
Purchase of motor vehicles, motorboats, and aircraft.  
Power-driven boats.  
Certification of expenses.  
California Débris Commission.  
27 Stat. 507.  
Student officers.  
41 Stat. 785.  
Printing and binding.  
Unauthorized surveys, etc.  
Harbor channels.

of the Chief of Engineers based on the recommendation by the Board of Rivers and Harbors in the review of a report or reports authorized by law, expend such sums as may be necessary for the maintenance of harbor channels provided by a State, municipality, or other public agency, outside of harbor lines and serving essential needs of general commerce and navigation, such work to be subject to the conditions recommended by the Chief of Engineers in his report or reports thereon: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$3,000 of the amount herein appropriated shall be available for the support and maintenance of the Permanent International Commission of the Congresses of Navigation and for the payment of the expenses of the properly accredited delegates of the United States to the meeting of the Congresses and of the Commission.

Permanent International Commission of the Congresses of Navigation.

Alteration of bridges over navigable waters: For payment of the share of the United States of the cost of alteration of bridges over navigable waters in accordance with the provisions of the Act of June 21, 1940 (Public Law 647), \$500,000, to remain available until expended.

Alteration of bridges.

54 Stat. 497.  
33 U. S. C. §§ 511-523.

#### FLOOD CONTROL

Flood control, general: For the construction and maintenance of certain public works on rivers and harbors for flood control, and for other purposes, in accordance with the provisions of the Flood Control Act, approved June 22, 1936, as amended and supplemented, including printing and binding, and office supplies and equipment required in the Office of the Chief of Engineers to carry out the purposes of this appropriation, and for preliminary examinations, surveys, and contingencies in connection with the flood control, \$246,072,825, of which \$200,000 shall be made available for the preparation of detailed plans for the Dyberry and Prompton Reservoirs in the Lackawaxen River Basin, Pennsylvania, recommended for construction in the report of the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, in House Document Numbered 113, of the Eightieth Congress and the preparation of such plans is hereby authorized: *Provided*, That funds appropriated herein may be used for flood-control work on the Salmon River, Alaska, as authorized by law: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated herein, not to exceed \$500,000, may be used for necessary bank protection on the Missouri River in the vicinity of Aten, Nebraska: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated herein may be used to execute detailed surveys, and prepare plans and specifications, necessary for the construction of flood-control projects heretofore or hereafter authorized or for flood-control projects considered for selection in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the Flood Control Act approved June 28, 1938, and section 3 of the Flood Control Act approved August 18, 1941 (55 Stat. 638): *Provided further*, That the expenditure of funds for completing the necessary surveys shall not be construed as a commitment of the Government to the construction of any project: *Provided further*, That no part of this appropriation shall be available or used to maintain or operate the Garrison (North Dakota) Reservoir at a higher maximum normal pool elevation than one thousand eight hundred and thirty feet, or for constructing dikes or levees which would be required by a higher maximum normal pool elevation than one thousand eight hundred and thirty feet for operating such dam: *Provided further*, That in the construction of the Fort Gibson flood-control project in Oklahoma, the Chief of Engineers is authorized and directed to cooperate with the officials of the city of Muskogee in protecting the domestic water supply of such city.

Construction and maintenance.

49 Stat. 1570.  
33 U. S. C. §§ 701a-701i, 701h.

Dyberry and Prompton Reservoirs.

Salmon River, Alaska.

Bank protection, Aten, Nebr.

Surveys, plans, etc.

52 Stat. 1216.  
33 U. S. C. §§ 701j, 702a-194, 702a-12.

Garrison Reservoir, N. Dak.

Fort Gibson project, Okla.

Acquisition of lands  
in Fort Berthold In-  
dian Reservation.

Garrison (North Dakota) Reservoir: For acquisition of the lands and rights therein within the taking line of Garrison Reservoir which lands lie within the area now established as the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, North Dakota, including all elements of value above or below the surface thereof and including all improvements, severance damages and reestablishment and relocation costs the sum of \$5,105,625, which said sum is included in the total allocated under this Act for the said Garrison Reservoir and which shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, to be subject to withdrawal and disbursement as herein provided. This amount is made available subject to the following conditions subsequent and in the event the said conditions are not complied with then this amount shall lapse and be thereby null and void. Said conditions subsequent are:

Deposit to credit of  
Three Affiliated  
Tribes.

Availability.

That a contract between the United States and the said Three Affiliated Tribes shall be negotiated and approved by a majority of the adult members of said tribes and enacted into law by the Congress, providing for the conveyance of said lands and interests and the use and distribution of said fund and that disbursements from said fund shall be made forthwith in accordance with said approved contract and Act of Congress.

60 Stat. 1055.  
28 U. S. C. § 250a.

That said contract shall be submitted to the Congress on or before the first day of June 1948: *Provided, however,* That, notwithstanding said contract or the provisions of this Act, the said Three Affiliated Tribes may bring suit in the Court of Claims as provided in section 24 of the Act of August 13, 1946, on account of additional damages, if any, alleged to have been sustained by said tribes by reason of the taking of the said lands and rights in the said Fort Berthold Indian Reservation on account of any treaty obligation of the Government or any intangible cost of reestablishment or relocation, for which the said tribes are not compensated by the said \$5,105,625.

Mississippi River  
and tributaries.

45 Stat. 534.

Flood control, Mississippi River and tributaries: For prosecuting work of flood control in accordance with the provisions of the Flood Control Act approved May 15, 1928, as amended (33 U. S. C. 702a), including printing and binding and office supplies and equipment required in the Office of the Chief of Engineers to carry out the purposes of this appropriation, \$50,000,000.

33 U. S. C. § 702g-1.  
Sacramento River,  
Calif.

39 Stat. 949.  
33 U. S. C. §§ 701-  
703.

Emergency fund for flood control on tributaries of Mississippi River: For rescue work and for repair or maintenance of any flood-control work on any tributaries of the Mississippi River threatened or destroyed by flood, in accordance with section 9 of the Flood Control Act, approved June 15, 1936 (49 Stat. 1508), \$500,000.

Flood control, Sacramento River, California: For prosecuting work of flood control, Sacramento River, California, in accordance with the provisions of the Act approved March 1, 1917, as amended (33 U. S. C. 703, 704; 50 Stat. 849; 55 Stat. 638-651), \$1,750,000.

#### MISCELLANEOUS CIVIL WORKS

Federal water mains  
outside D. C.

Maintenance and operation, Certain Federal Water Mains Outside the District of Columbia: For the maintenance, operation, improvement, extension, and protection of Federal water lines located outside the District of Columbia required to serve nearby Government establishments and facilities with water from the water supply system of the District of Columbia, including interconnections with other water systems for emergency use wherever located, to be immediately available and to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers, \$12,000.

## UNITED STATES SOLDIERS' HOME

Trust account: For maintenance and operation of the United States Soldiers' Home, to be paid from the Soldiers' Home permanent fund, \$2,410,100, of which \$296,000 shall be immediately and continuously available until expended for the preparation of plans and specifications for the renovation and enlargement of the United States Soldiers' Home: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall not be available for the payment of hospitalization of members of the home in United States Army hospitals at rates in excess of those prescribed by the Secretary of War, upon the recommendation of the Board of Commissioners of the home and the Surgeon General of the Army: *Provided further*, That any owning or disposal agency is authorized to transfer surplus property, other than real estate, to the United States Soldiers' Home without reimbursement or transfer of funds.

Restriction.

Transfer of surplus property.

## THE PANAMA CANAL

For every expenditure requisite for and incident to the maintenance and operation, sanitation, and civil government of the Panama Canal and Canal Zone, and construction of additional facilities, including printing and binding; personal services in the District of Columbia, purchase (not to exceed twenty-five in the fiscal year 1948), and hire of passenger motor vehicles; claims for damages to vessels, cargo, crew, or passengers, as authorized by section 10 of title 2, Canal Zone Code, as amended (54 Stat. 387); claims for losses of or damages to property arising from the conduct of authorized business operations; claims for damages to property arising from the maintenance and operation, sanitation, and civil government of the Panama Canal, and construction of additional facilities; claims under part 2 of the Federal Tort Claims Act of August 2, 1946 (Public Law 601); acquisition of land and land under water, as authorized in the Panama Canal Act; expenses incurred in assembling, assorting, storing, repairing, and selling material, machinery, and equipment heretofore or hereafter purchased or acquired for the construction of the Panama Canal which are unserviceable or no longer needed, to be reimbursed from the proceeds of such sale; expenses incident to conducting hearings and examining estimates for appropriations on the Isthmus; expenses incident to any emergency arising because of calamity by flood, fire, pestilence, or like character not foreseen or otherwise provided for herein; not to exceed \$2,000 for travel and subsistence expenses of members of the police and fire forces of the Panama Canal incident to their special training in the United States; purchase, construction, repair, replacement, alteration, or enlargement of buildings, structures, equipment, and other improvements, as follows:

Maintenance, etc.

Damage claims.  
48 U. S. C. § 1319.60 Stat. 843.  
28 U. S. C. §§ 921,  
922.  
37 Stat. 560.  
48 U. S. C. §§ 1301-  
1387.

Emergencies.

Travel expenses.

Buildings and im-  
provements.Maintenance and  
operation of Panama  
Canal.

Alien cripples.

39 Stat. 750.

Relief payments.  
45 U. S. C. § 1372.

Penalty mail costs.

Maintenance and operation of the Panama Canal: For salary of the Governor, \$10,000; contingencies of the Governor, including entertainment, to be expended in his discretion, not exceeding \$3,000; purchase, inspection, delivery, handling, and storing of materials, supplies, and equipment for issue to all departments of the Panama Canal, the Panama Railroad, other branches of the United States Government, and for authorized sales; payment in lump sums of not exceeding the amounts authorized by the Injury Compensation Act approved September 7, 1916 (5 U. S. C. 793), to alien cripples who are now a charge upon the Panama Canal by reason of injuries sustained while employed in the construction of the Panama Canal; relief payments authorized by the Act approved July 8, 1937 (50 Stat. 478); and not to exceed \$6,500 for deposit in the general fund of the Treasury for cost of penalty mail for offices of the Panama Canal in the United

58 Stat. 394.  
39 U. S. C. §§ 321e-  
321h.  
*Ante*, p. 450.  
37 Stat. 580.  
48 U. S. C. §§ 1301-  
1387.

States as required by the Act of June 28, 1944; in all, \$13,374,000, together with all moneys arising from the conduct of business operations authorized by the Panama Canal Act.

**Sanitation:** For sanitation, quarantine, hospitals, and medical aid and support of the insane and of lepers and aid and support of indigent persons legally within the Canal Zone, including expenses of their deportation when practicable, the purchase of artificial limbs or other appliances for persons who were injured in the service of the Isthmian Canal Commission or the Panama Canal prior to September 7, 1916, additional compensation to any officer of the United States Public Health Service detailed with the Panama Canal as chief quarantine officer, and payments of not to exceed \$50 in any one case to persons within the Government service who shall furnish blood from their veins for transfusion to the veins of patients in Panama Canal Hospitals, \$3,552,000.

Blood for transfusions.

**Civil government:** For civil government of the Panama Canal and Canal Zone, including gratuities and necessary clothing for indigent discharged prisoners, \$2,900,000.

Civil government.

Additional facilities.

**Construction of additional facilities, Panama Canal:** For construction of additional facilities for the improvement and enlargement of the capacity of the Panama Canal, in accordance with the Act of August 11, 1939 (53 Stat. 1409) and for carrying out the purposes of Public Law 280, approved December 28, 1945, including reimbursements to the appropriations for "Maintenance and operation, sanitation, and civil government, Panama Canal", in such amounts as the Governor of the Panama Canal shall from time to time determine to be additional costs incurred for the objects specified in said appropriations on account of the prosecution of the work; in all, \$750,000.

48 U. S. C. § 1307  
note.  
59 Stat. 663.

Total, Panama Canal, \$20,576,000, to be available until expended.

In addition to the foregoing sums there is hereby made available for the fiscal year 1948 for expenditures and reinvestment under the several heads of appropriation aforesaid, without being covered into the Treasury of the United States, and to remain available until expended, all moneys received by the Panama Canal during the fiscal year 1948 from services rendered or materials and supplies furnished to the United States, the Panama Railroad Company, the Canal Zone government, or to their employees, respectively, or to the Panama Government, from hotel and hospital supplies and services; from rentals, wharfage, and like service; from labor, materials, and supplies and other services furnished to vessels other than those passing through the Canal, and to others unable to obtain the same elsewhere; from the sale of scrap and other byproducts of manufacturing and shop operations; from the sale of obsolete and unserviceable materials, supplies, and equipment purchased or acquired for the operation, maintenance, protection, sanitation, and government of the Canal and Canal Zone; and any net profits accruing from such business to the Panama Canal shall annually be covered into the Treasury of the United States.

Additional sums.

Net profits.

Waterworks, etc.,  
Panama and Colon.

There is also made available for the fiscal year 1948 for the operation, maintenance, and extension of waterworks, sewers, and pavements in the cities of Panama and Colon, to remain available until expended, the necessary portions of such sums as shall be paid during that fiscal year as water rentals or directly by the Government of Panama for such expenses.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

Canal Zone.  
Citizenship require-  
ment.

**SEC. 2.** No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used directly or indirectly, except for temporary employment in case of emergency, for the payment of any civilian for services rendered by

him on the Canal Zone while occupying a skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory position unless such person is a citizen of the United States of America or of the Republic of Panama: *Provided, however,* (1) That, notwithstanding the provision in the Act approved August 11, 1939 (53 Stat. 1409), limiting employment in the above-mentioned positions to citizens of the United States from and after the date of the approval of said Act, citizens of Panama may be employed in such positions; (2) that at no time shall the number of Panamanian citizens employed in the above-mentioned positions exceed the number of citizens of the United States so employed, if United States citizens are available in continental United States or on the Canal Zone; (3) that nothing in this Act shall prohibit the continued employment of any person who shall have rendered fifteen or more years of faithful and honorable service on the Canal Zone; (4) that in the selection of personnel for skilled, technical, administrative, clerical, supervisory, or executive positions, the controlling factors in filling these positions shall be efficiency, experience, training, and education; (5) that all citizens of Panama and the United States rendering skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory service on the Canal Zone under the terms of this Act (a) shall normally be employed not more than forty hours per week, (b) may receive as compensation equal rates of pay based upon rates paid for similar employment in continental United States plus 25 per centum; (6) this entire section shall apply only to persons employed in skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory positions on the Canal Zone directly or indirectly by any branch of the United States Government or by any corporation or company whose stock is owned wholly or in part by the United States Government: *Provided further,* That the President may suspend from time to time in whole or in part compliance with this section in time of war or national emergency if he should deem such course to be in the public interest: *Provided further,* That the President may, if he finds it necessary because of a shortage of housing, suspend, for the fiscal year 1948, the application of those portions of this section which require the employment of citizens of the Republic of Panama or of the United States in skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory positions.

SEC. 3. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: *Provided,* That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: *Provided further,* That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any

Employment of Panamanian citizens. 48 U. S. C. § 1307 note.

Limitation.

Employees with 15 years of service.

Selection of personnel.

Hours of employment; pay rates.

Applicability.

Wartime or emergency suspension.

Housing shortage.

Persons engaging, etc., in strikes against or advocating overthrow of U. S. Government.

Affidavit.

Penalty.

appropriation in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: *Provided further*, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

SEC. 4. The Governor of the Panama Canal is authorized to employ services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (Public Law 600), but at rates not exceeding \$100 per diem for individuals.

SEC. 5. The War Department and the Navy Department are authorized to transfer to the Panama Canal, regardless of present location and without charge to the Panama Canal, materials, supplies, tools, and equipment of every character, including structures, vessels, and floating equipment, which are surplus to the needs of the department having title thereto and which may be certified by the Governor of the Panama Canal as necessary for the care, maintenance, operation, improvement, sanitation, and government of the Panama Canal and Canal Zone.

SEC. 6. Appropriations for the Military Establishment and for civil functions administered by the War Department may be used for the payment of claims under the Act of July 3, 1943, and part 2 of the Federal Tort Claims Act of August 2, 1946 (Public Law 601), and for the expenses of health programs for Federal employees pursuant to the Act of August 8, 1946 (Public Law 658).

SEC. 7. This Act may be cited as the "War Department Civil Appropriation Act, 1948".

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[CHAPTER 412]

AN ACT

To amend title I of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for research into basic laws and principles relating to agriculture and to provide for the further development of cooperative agricultural extension work and the more complete endowment and support of land-grant colleges", approved June 29, 1935 (the Bankhead-Jones Act).

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 11 of title I of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for research into basic laws and principles relating to agriculture and to provide for the further development of cooperative agricultural extension work and the more complete endowment and support of land-grant colleges", approved June 29, 1935 (the Bankhead-Jones Act), which was added by Public Law 733, Seventy-ninth Congress, is amended by striking out the words "authorized to be" wherever they appear in that section.

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[CHAPTER 413]

AN ACT

Providing for the disposition of farm labor camps to public or semipublic agencies or nonprofit associations of farmers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 2 (d) of the Farmers' Home Administration Act of 1946 and section 43 (d) of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as added by the Farmers' Home Administration Act of 1946, the Secretary of Agriculture may dispose of any labor supply center, labor home, labor camp or facility referred to in said sections

60 Stat. 810.  
5 U. S. C. § 55a.

Transfer of surplus  
supplies to Panama  
Canal.

57 Stat. 372.  
31 U. S. C. §§ 215-217  
notes, 223b, 223c.  
60 Stat. 843.  
28 U. S. C. §§ 921,  
922.  
60 Stat. 903.  
5 U. S. C. § 150.  
Short title.

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Marketing and co-  
operative research  
projects.

60 Stat. 1066.  
7 U. S. C. § 427j.

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[Public Law 298]

Disposition of labor  
supply centers, etc.

60 Stat. 1064, 1068.  
7 U. S. C. §§ 1001  
note, 1017 (d).