

Provisos.
Base pay increases.

Subject to service increase, etc.

Appointments, etc., regulations to be prescribed.

smith, first class, \$65; coppersmith, second class, \$50; pattern maker, first class, \$65; pattern maker, second class, \$50; molder, first class, \$65; molder, second class, \$50; chief special mechanic, \$127; special mechanic, first class, \$80: *Provided*, That the base pay of machinists' mates, second class, and water tenders be, and it is hereby, increased from \$40 to \$45 per month: *Provided further*, That all the aforesaid rates of pay shall be subject to such increases of pay and allowances as are, or may hereafter be, authorized by law for enlisted men of the Navy: *And provided further*, That appointments or enlistments in the said ratings may be made from enlisted men in the Navy or from civil life, respectively, and the qualifications of candidates for any of said ratings shall be determined in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe.

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[H. R. 5918.]

[Public, No. 89.]

CHAP. 104.—An Act To authorize the President to organize provisionally as Field Artillery or Infantry and to use as Field Artillery or Infantry during the existing emergency such regiments of Cavalry as he may designate.

Army.
Cavalry may serve as Field Artillery or Infantry during existing emergency.

Proviso.
Reorganization as Cavalry afterwards.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That during the present emergency the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to organize provisionally as Field Artillery or Infantry and to use as Field Artillery or Infantry during the existing emergency such regiments of Cavalry as he may designate: *Provided*, That immediately after the termination of the existing emergency such regiments shall be reorganized as Cavalry regiments in accordance with the prescribed organization of such regiments.

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[H. R. 5723.]

[Public No. 90.]

CHAP. 105—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the establishment of a Bureau of War Risk Insurance in the Treasury Department," approved September second, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and for other purposes.

War Risk Insurance Bureau. Vol. 38, p. 711, amended. *Ante*, p. 102, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the establishment of a Bureau of War Risk Insurance in the Treasury Department," approved September second, nineteen hundred and fourteen, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"ARTICLE I.

Bureau established in Treasury Department. Director.

Divisions created. Commissioner for each. *Ante*, p. 102.

New sections. Vol. 38, p. 712, amended.

Marine and seamen's insurance. Vol. 38, pp. 711, 712. *Ante*, p. 102.

"SECTION 1. That there is established in the Treasury Department a Bureau to be known as the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, the director of which shall receive a salary at the rate of \$5,000 per annum.

"That there be in such bureau a Division of Marine and Seamen's Insurance and a Division of Military and Naval Insurance in charge of a commissioner of Marine and Seamen's Insurance and a commissioner of Military and Naval Insurance, respectively, each of whom shall receive a salary of \$4,000 per annum."

SEC. 2. That such Act of September second, nineteen hundred and fourteen, as amended, is hereby amended by adding new sections, as follows:

"SEC. 12. That sections two to seven, inclusive, and section nine, shall be construed to refer only to the Division of Marine and Seamen's Insurance.