

Purchase, remodeling, and construction, authorized.

Accommodations for personnel, recreation centers.

Acceptance of donations, etc.

Construction, etc., requirements.

Proviso. Utilization of Government owned buildings, etc.

Amount authorized to be appropriated. Post, pp. 681, 1212.

Allowance for technical assistance, supplies, etc.

ficiaries of the United States Veterans' Bureau, by purchase and remodeling or extension of existing plants, and by construction on sites now owned by the Government or on sites to be acquired by purchase, condemnation, gift, or otherwise, such hospitals and outpatient dispensary facilities, to include the necessary buildings and auxiliary structures, mechanical equipment, approach work, roads, and trackage facilities leading thereto; and also to provide accommodation for officers, nurses, and attending personnel; and also to provide proper and suitable recreational centers; and the Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau is authorized to accept gifts or donations for any of the purposes named herein. Such hospital plants and training school to be constructed shall be of fireproof construction and existing plants purchased shall be remodeled to be fireproof, and the location and nature thereof, whether for the treatment of tuberculous, neuropsychiatric, or general medical and surgical cases, shall be in the discretion of the Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau, subject to the approval of the President: *Provided, however,* That the Director, with the approval of the President, may utilize such suitable buildings, structures, and grounds now owned by the United States as may be available for the purposes aforesaid, and the President is hereby authorized, by Executive order, to transfer any such buildings, structures, and grounds to the United States Veterans' Bureau upon the request of the Director thereof.

SEC. 2. That for carrying into effect the preceding paragraph relating to additional hospital and outpatient dispensary facilities there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$6,850,000, to be immediately available and to remain available until expended. That not to exceed 3 per centum of this sum shall be available for the employment in the District of Columbia and in the field of necessary technical and clerical assistants at the customary rates of compensation, exclusively to aid in the preparation of the plans and specifications for the projects authorized herein and for the supervision of the execution thereof, and for traveling expenses and field-office equipment and supplies in connection therewith.

Approved, June 5, 1924.

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[H. R. 4985.]  
[Public, No. 198.]

CHAP. 263.—An Act To repeal the first proviso of section 4 of an Act to establish a national park in the Territory of Hawaii, approved August 1, 1916.

Hawaii National Park.  
Vol. 39, p. 434, amended.

Restriction on maintenance, etc., expenses, repealed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the first proviso of section 4 of an Act entitled "An Act to establish a national park in the Territory of Hawaii," approved August 1, 1916, which is in words and figures following: "*Provided,* That no appropriation for the maintenance, supervision, and improvement of said park in excess of \$10,000 annually shall be made unless the same shall have first been expressly authorized by law," be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved, June 5, 1924.

June 5, 1924.  
[H. R. 8078.]  
[Public, No. 199.]

CHAP. 264.—An Act Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, and for other purposes.

Interior Department appropriations.

*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