

force in lieu thereof, subject to the limitations contained in this title.

War Risk Insurance Act.
Vocational Rehabilitation Act.
Veterans' Bureau Act.

Accrued rights, etc., not affected by repealing provisions.

Punishment of prior offenses, etc., continued.

Limitations of prior laws not affected.

Invalidity of any clause, etc., not to affect remainder of Act.

- (1) The War Risk Insurance Act as amended.
- (2) The Vocational Rehabilitation Act as amended.
- (3) The Act entitled "An Act to establish a Veterans' Bureau and to improve the facilities and service of such bureau, and, further, to amend and modify the War Risk Insurance Act."

SEC. 602. The repeal of the several Acts as provided in sections 600 and 601 hereof shall not affect any act done or any right or liability accrued, or any suit commenced before the said repeal, but all such rights and liabilities under said Acts shall continue and may be enforced in the same manner as if said repeal had not been made; nor shall said repeal in any manner affect the right to any office or change the term or tenure thereof.

SEC. 603. All offenses committed and all penalties or forfeiture incurred under any law embraced in this codification prior to said repeal may be prosecuted and punished in the same manner and with the same effect as if said repeal had not been made.

SEC. 604. All Acts of limitation, whether applicable to civil causes and proceedings or to the prosecution of offenses embraced in this codification and covered by said repeal, shall not be affected thereby, but all suits, proceedings, or prosecutions, whether civil or criminal, for causes arising or acts done or committed prior to said repeal, may be commenced and prosecuted within the same time as if said repeal had not been made.

SEC. 605. That if any clause, section, paragraph, or part of this Act shall for any reason be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this Act but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment has been rendered.

Approved, June 7, 1924.

June 7, 1924.
[S. 2572.]
[Public, No. 243.]

CHAP 321.—An Act To purchase grounds, erect, and repair buildings for customhouses, offices, and warehouses in Porto Rico.

Porto Rico.
Purchase of sites,
erection of custom-
houses, etc., in, au-
thorized.

Amounts and places
designated.

Payable from duties
collected.

Proviso.
Limit on yearly ex-
penditure.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to purchase or otherwise secure grounds where necessary in the municipalities of Aguadilla, Arecibo, Arroyo, Guanica, and Fajardo, in Porto Rico, and to build or rebuild thereon customhouses, offices, and warehouses, the grounds and buildings not to exceed in cost as follows: Arecibo, \$30,000; Aguadilla, \$25,000; Arroyo, \$30,000; Fajardo, \$40,000; Guanica, \$30,000; for repairs to the customhouse at Ponce, \$18,000; for repairs to the customhouse at Humacao, \$4,000; and for repairs to the custom warehouse at Mayaguez, \$8,000. Authority is also granted the Secretary of the Treasury to pay said amounts as needed out of duties collected in Porto Rico as an expense of collection, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury: *Provided,* That not more than \$65,000 of the total expenditure herein authorized shall be made in any one year.

Approved, June 7, 1924.

CHAP. 322.—An Act To amend and reenact sections 20, 22, and 50 of the Act of March 2, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes."

June 7, 1924.
[S. 2573.]
[Public, No. 244.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first paragraph of section 20 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes," approved March 2, 1917, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Porto Rico.
Civil government
provisions.

"SEC. 20. That there shall be appointed by the President an auditor, at an annual salary of \$6,000 for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, who shall examine, audit, and settle all accounts pertaining to the revenues and receipts, from whatever source, of the Government of Porto Rico and of the municipal governments of Porto Rico, including public trust funds and funds derived from bond issues; and audit, in accordance with law and administrative regulations, all expenditures of funds or property pertaining to or held in trust by the Government of Porto Rico or the municipalities or dependencies thereof. He shall perform a like duty with respect to all government branches."

Auditor.
Appointment and
salary.
Vol. 39, p. 957, amend-
ed.
Direction of, over all
financial accounts.

SEC. 2. That section 22 of the said Act be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Executive secretary.
Vol. 39, p. 953, amend-
ed.

"SEC. 22. That there shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of Porto Rico, an executive secretary at an annual salary of \$5,000, who shall record and preserve the minutes and proceedings of the public service commission hereinafter provided for and the laws enacted by the legislature and all acts and proceedings of the governor, and promulgate all proclamations and orders of the governor and all laws enacted by the legislature, and until otherwise provided by the legislature of Porto Rico perform all the duties of secretary of Porto Rico as now provided by law, except as otherwise specified in this Act, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Governor of Porto Rico. In the event of a vacancy in the office, or the absence, illness, or temporary disqualification of such officer, the governor shall designate some officer or employee of the government to discharge the functions of said office during such vacancy, absence, illness, or temporary disqualification."

Appointment by the
governor.
Salary, and specified
duties.

SEC. 3. That section 50 of the said Act be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Temporary vacan-
cies.

"SEC. 50. That, except as in this Act otherwise provided, the salaries of all the officials of Porto Rico not appointed by the President, including deputies, assistants, and other help, shall be such and be so paid out of the revenues of Porto Rico as shall from time to time be determined by the Legislature of Porto Rico and approved by the governor; and if the legislature shall fail to make an appropriation for such salaries, the salaries theretofore fixed shall be paid without the necessity of further appropriations therefor. The salaries of all officers and all expenses of the offices of the various officials of Porto Rico appointed as herein provided by the President shall also be paid out of the revenues of Porto Rico on warrant of the auditor, countersigned by the governor. The annual salaries of the following named officials appointed by the President and also those appointed by the Governor of Porto Rico so to be paid shall be: The governor, \$10,000; in addition thereto he shall be entitled to the occupancy of the buildings heretofore used by the chief executive of Porto Rico, with the furniture and effects therein, free of rental; heads of executive departments, \$6,000; chief justice of the Supreme Court, \$7,500; associate justice of the Supreme Court, \$6,500.

Vol. 39, p. 967, amend-
ed.

Official salaries.
Payment from insu-
lar revenues, as deter-
mined by legislature.

Of Presidential ap-
pointees.

Salaries designated.