

48 Stat. 52, 342; 53 Stat. 998.  
31 U. S. C. § 821.  
Weight of gold dollar, etc.  
Specified powers of President defined.

Duration.

SEC. 2. The second sentence added to paragraph (b) (2) of section 43, title III, of the Act approved May 12, 1933, by section 12 of said Gold Reserve Act of 1934, as amended, is further amended to read as follows: "The powers of the President specified in this paragraph shall be deemed to be separate, distinct, and continuing powers, and may be exercised by him, from time to time, severally or together, whenever and as the expressed objects of this section in his judgment may require; except that such powers shall expire June 30, 1943, unless the President shall sooner declare the existing emergency ended."

Approved, June 30, 1941.

[CHAPTER 266]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making appropriations for work relief and relief for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942.

July 1, 1941  
[H. J. Res. 193]  
[Public Law 143]

Emergency Relief  
Appropriation Act,  
fiscal year 1942.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That this joint resolution may be cited as the "Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1942".

*Ante*, p. 104.

FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY

WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION

Continuation of  
work relief.

Reappropriations.  
54 Stat. 611; *ante*, p.  
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note.

54 Stat. 618.

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ignated projects.

52 Stat. 809; 53 Stat.  
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pensation.

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prosecution of proj-  
ects.

52 Stat. 809; 53 Stat.  
927; 54 Stat. 611; *ante*,  
p. 15.  
15 U. S. C. ch. 16  
(note).

SECTION 1. (a) In order to continue to provide work for employable needy persons on useful public projects in the United States and its Territories and possessions, there is hereby appropriated to the Work Projects Administration, of the Federal Works Agency, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, \$875,000,000, together with all balances of appropriations under section 1 (a) of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941, and under Public Law 9, Seventy-seventh Congress, which remain unobligated on June 30, 1941, including such unobligated balances of funds transferred to other Federal agencies for nonconstruction projects under the provisions of section 10 (a) of such Act for the fiscal year 1941, as supplemented by such Public Law 9, or set aside for specific purposes in accordance with other law: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds heretofore irrevocably set aside for the completion of Federal construction projects under authority of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Acts of 1938 and 1939 and the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941, as amended, and supplemented, shall remain available until June 30, 1942, for such completion, and any such funds which remain unobligated by reason of the completion or abandonment of any such Federal construction project shall be returned to this appropriation: *Provided further*, That no part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the compensation of David Lasser.

(b) The funds provided in this section shall be available for (1) administration; (2) the prosecution of projects approved by the President under the provisions of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Acts of 1938, and 1939, and the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941, as amended, and supplemented by Public Law 9, Seventy-seventh Congress; and (3) the prosecution of the following types of public projects, Federal and non-Federal, subject to the approval of the President, namely: Highways, roads, and streets; public buildings; parks, and other recreational facilities,

including buildings therein; public utilities; electric transmission and distribution lines or systems to serve persons in rural areas, including projects sponsored by and for the benefit of nonprofit and cooperative associations; sewer systems, water supply, and purification systems; airports and other transportation facilities; facilities for the training of personnel in the operations and maintenance of air navigation and landing area facilities; flood control; drainage; irrigation, including projects sponsored by nonprofit irrigation companies or nonprofit irrigation associations organized and operating for community benefit; water conservation; soil conservation, including projects sponsored by soil conservation districts and other bodies duly organized under State law for soil erosion control and soil conservation, preference being given to projects which will contribute to the rehabilitation of individuals and an increase in the national income; forestation, reforestation, and other improvements of forest areas, including the establishment of fire lanes; fish, game, and other wildlife conservation; eradication of insect, plant, and fungus pests; the production of lime and marl for fertilizing soil for distribution to farmers under such conditions as may be determined by the sponsors of such projects under the provisions of State law; educational, professional, clerical, cultural, recreational, production, and service projects, including training for manual occupations in industries engaged in production for national-defense purposes, for nursing and for domestic service; aid to self-help and cooperative associations for the benefit of needy persons; and miscellaneous projects: *Provided*, That all persons employed on work projects shall, so far as practicable, be employed on projects nearest their respective homes.

Training for defense purposes.

*Proviso.*  
Employment on nearest project.

Limitation on use of funds for other than labor costs.

Increases allowed.

*Provisos.*  
Construction equipment purchases, etc.

Use of funds for projects of military or naval importance.

(c) The funds appropriated in this section, exclusive of those used for administrative expenses, shall be so administered that expenditure authorizations for other than labor costs for all the work projects financed from such funds in any State, Territory, possession, or the District of Columbia shall not exceed an average for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, of \$6 per month per worker, except that the Commissioner of Work Projects (hereinafter referred to as the "Commissioner") may authorize an increase in the average in cases where the increased cost of materials would have the effect of raising such average above \$6 but in no event shall the increase in such average exceed the amount necessary to meet such increase in material costs and in no event shall such average exceed \$7: *Provided*, That the funds appropriated in this section shall not be used for the purchase of any construction equipment or machinery in any case in which such equipment or machinery can be rented at prices determined by the Commissioner to be reasonable, and his determinations, made in conformity with rules and regulations prescribed by him, shall be final and conclusive: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$45,000,000 of funds herein appropriated to the Work Projects Administration may be used by the Commissioner to supplement the amounts so authorized for other than labor costs in any State, Territory, possession, or the District of Columbia in connection with the prosecution of projects which have been certified by the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy, respectively, as being important for military or naval purposes.

(d) In administering the funds appropriated in this section, not to exceed three-fourths of the total cost of all non-Federal projects approved after January 1, 1940, to be undertaken within any State, Territory, possession, or the District of Columbia, with respect to which any such funds are used, shall be borne by the United States, and not less than one-fourth of such total cost shall be borne by the

Non-Federal projects.  
Allocation of cost.

- Proviso.*  
Projects excepted.
- State and its political subdivisions, or by the Territory, possession, or the District of Columbia, as the case may be: *Provided*, That the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to projects (1) which have been certified by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, respectively, as being important for military or naval purposes, or (2) which authorize necessary temporary measures to avert danger to life, property, or health in the event of disaster or grave emergency caused by flood, storm, fire, earthquake, drought, or similar cause. The facts constituting compliance with the requirements of this subsection shall be determined by the Commissioner, and his determinations, made in conformity with rules and regulations prescribed by him, shall be final and conclusive.
- Medical, etc., facilities.
- (e) The funds appropriated in section 1 (a) hereof shall be available to provide, under regulations to be prescribed by the Commissioner, for medical and hospital facilities for work camp project employees and burial expenses of deceased work camp project employees, including the transportation of remains to place of burial: *Provided*, That deductions shall be made from the earnings of all project employees quartered in such camps in an amount sufficient to offset the estimated cost to the United States for furnishing the foregoing.
- Proviso.*  
Costs borne by project employees.
- Fraud, etc., on part of sponsor.
- (f) When it is found that as a result of bad faith, fraud, or misrepresentation on the part of the sponsor, any land, building, structure, facility, or other project, or any part thereof, upon which funds appropriated in this joint resolution have been expended, is used, transferred, or disposed of without retention and control for public use, the sponsor of the project and the person or organization to which the land, building, structure, facility, or project has been sold, leased, or given, shall be liable, jointly and severally, upon demand of the Commissioner or his duly authorized representative, to pay over to the United States an amount equal to the amount of Federal funds expended on such land, building, structure, facility, or project.
- Liability.
- Administrative expenses, maximum.
- (g) The amount which may be obligated for administrative expenses of the Work Projects Administration in the District of Columbia and in the field shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$35,466,000 during the fiscal year 1942, of which sum the amounts so to be obligated for the following respective purposes shall not exceed these sums: Salaries, \$29,016,000; communication service, \$500,000; travel, \$2,800,000; and printing and binding, \$300,000.
- Statements of personnel, etc., to Congress.
- (h) The Federal Works Administrator shall transmit to Congress, on the first day of each regular session thereof, a statement showing for each State the names, addresses, positions, and compensation of all employees of the Work Projects Administration whose compensation is at the rate of \$1,200 per annum or more. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "State" shall include the Territories, possessions, and the District of Columbia.
- Extension to June 30, 1942.
- (i) The Work Projects Administration is hereby extended to June 30, 1942, to carry out the purposes of this joint resolution and the Commissioner, with the approval of the Federal Works Administrator, is authorized to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out its functions in connection therewith.

## ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES

Administrative expenses of designated agencies.

SEC. 2. (a) In order to provide for administrative expenses incidental to carrying out the purposes of this joint resolution, there is hereby appropriated to the following agencies, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending

June 30, 1942: (1) General Accounting Office, \$1,400,000; and (2) Treasury Department: (a) Procurement Division, \$2,400,000; (b) Division of Disbursement, \$1,100,000; (c) Office of the Treasurer, \$350,000; (d) Secret Service Division, \$130,000; (e) Bureau of Accounts, \$2,025,000; for administrative accounting; total, Treasury Department, \$6,005,000.

(b) The appropriations in this section shall not be used to pay the compensation of persons employed entirely upon the regular work (as distinguished from emergency work under appropriations in this section) of any department or agency, nor to pay the compensation of employees engaged partially upon such regular work unless, in the determination of the head of such department or agency (which determination shall be conclusive), offsetting employment upon such emergency work of such department or agency is performed by employees paid from the regular funds thereof.

Persons employed upon regular work.

#### UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

SEC. 3. (a) In order to carry out the provisions of section 18 of this Act, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, \$3,500,000, which sum shall be added to the appropriation "Employees' Compensation Fund, Emergency Relief" contained in subsection (b) of this section.

Funds available.  
Post, p. 404.

(b) Employees' compensation fund, emergency relief: The unexpended balance of the special funds set up on the books of the Treasury pursuant to the provisions of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Acts of 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, and fiscal year 1941, and paragraph 18 of the "National Youth Administration Appropriation Act, 1941", shall be available for expenditure during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, and such balance combined with the appropriation in subsection (a) of this section shall be one fund available for the payment of compensation accruing under section 18 of this Act and under the other Acts enumerated in this subsection, including payments to Federal agencies for medical and hospital services and including advancement of costs for the enforcement of recoveries as provided in sections 26 and 27 of the Act of September 7, 1916, as made applicable to relief employments: *Provided*, That \$700,000 of such combined appropriation shall be available during the fiscal year 1942 for administrative expenses and not to exceed \$75,000 thereof may be added to the appropriation in the "Employees' Compensation Commission Appropriation Act, 1942" for salaries and expenses of such Commission and be available for the purposes thereof: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall not be limited in its use to the United States, its Territories and possessions, for payment of compensation benefits.

Reappropriations.

15 U. S. C., ch. 16  
(note).  
54 Stat. 611, 593.

Post, p. 404.

39 Stat. 747.  
5 U. S. C. §§ 776,  
777.  
*Provisos.*  
Administrative ex-  
penses.

Post, p. 494.

Use of funds.

#### GENERAL AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 4. Funds appropriated in this joint resolution to the various Federal agencies shall be so apportioned and distributed over the period ending June 30, 1942, and shall be so administered during such period as to constitute the total amount that will be furnished to such agencies during such period for the purposes herein set forth.

Apportionment and distribution of funds.

SEC. 5. The funds made available by this joint resolution shall be used only for work relief for employable persons in need except as otherwise specifically provided herein.

Restriction.

SEC. 6. (a) The Commissioner, with the approval of the Federal Works Administrator, is authorized to allocate not to exceed \$8,500,000 of the appropriation contained in section 1 (a) to other

Allocation of funds to other Federal agencies.

Federal agencies for the operation, under such rules and regulations as the Commissioner may prescribe, of projects of the type specified in subsection (b) of section 1 which are within the scope of the functions usually carried out by such agencies, including administrative expenses of such agencies incident to such operation: *Provided*, That \$3,500,000 of such amount shall be allocated to the Department of Agriculture for the continuation during the calendar year 1941 of existing projects now under the jurisdiction of such Department: *Provided further*, That not to exceed 4 per centum of the total amount so allocated to any such agency shall be used for such administrative expenses: *Provided further*, That no project shall be prosecuted under any allocation under this subsection upon which the percentage of nonrelief persons employed exceeds 10 per centum of the total number of persons employed: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$576,000 of the appropriation contained in section 1 (a) hereof may be allocated, with the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, for administrative expenses of Federal agencies incident to the planning and review of Work Projects Administration projects.

(b) No Federal construction project, except flood control and water conservation projects authorized under other law, shall be undertaken or prosecuted under the appropriations in this joint resolution unless and until there shall have been allocated and irrevocably set aside Federal funds sufficient for its completion.

(c) No non-Federal project shall be undertaken or prosecuted under appropriations under this joint resolution unless and until the sponsor has made a written agreement to finance such part of the entire cost thereof as the Work Projects Administration determines under the circumstances is an adequate contribution taking into consideration the financial ability of the sponsor. The Commissioner shall prescribe rules and regulations relating to the valuation of contributions in kind by sponsors of projects through furnishing the use of their own facilities and equipment and the services of their own employees, which shall represent an actual cash value, and such rules and regulations shall also allow credit only to the extent that the furnishing of such contributions represents a financial burden which is undertaken by the sponsors on account of Work Projects Administration projects, or other sponsored projects.

SEC. 7. None of the funds made available by this joint resolution shall be expended on the construction of any building (1) the total estimated cost of which, in the case of a Federal building, exceeds \$100,000 from Federal funds, or (2) the portion of the total estimated cost of which payable from Federal funds, in the case of a non-Federal building, exceeds \$100,000, unless the building is one (a) for which the project has been approved by the President on or prior to May 15, 1940, or for which an issue of bonds has been approved at an election held on or prior to such date, or for which a State legislature has made an appropriation on or prior to such date, or (b) for the completion of which funds have been allocated and irrevocably set aside under prior relief appropriation Acts: *Provided*, That the provisions of this section shall not apply to any projects which have been certified by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, respectively, as being important for military or naval purposes.

SEC. 8. (a) The Work Projects Administration is authorized to receive from sponsors of non-Federal projects contributions in services, materials, or money, such money to be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States. Such contributions shall be expended or utilized as agreed upon between the sponsor and the Work Projects Administration.

*Provisos.*  
Allocation to Department of Agriculture.

Administrative expenses.

Employment of non-relief persons restricted.

Planning and review of WPA projects.

Allocation of funds before undertaking project.

Non-Federal projects, requirement.

Rules and regulations.

Construction of buildings.  
Restriction on use of funds.

*Proviso.*  
Projects of military or naval importance.

Contributions from sponsors of non-Federal projects.

(b) All receipts and collections by reason of operations in consequence of appropriations made in this joint resolution, except cash contributions of sponsors of projects and amounts credited to revolving funds authorized by this joint resolution, shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

(c) Except as authorized in this joint resolution, no allocation of funds shall be made to any other Federal agency from the appropriation in this joint resolution for any Federal agency. No such allocation shall be made for the exercise of the functions of the Radio Division or the United States Film Service transferred to the Office of Education of the Federal Security Agency.

SEC. 9. (a) The Commissioner, subject to the approval of the Federal Works Administrator, shall fix a monthly earning schedule for persons engaged upon work projects financed in whole or in part from funds appropriated by section 1 which shall not substantially affect the current national average labor cost per person of the Work Projects Administration. Such monthly earning schedule shall not be varied for workers of the same type in different geographical areas to any greater extent than may be justified by differences in the cost of living. The Commissioner shall require that the hours of work for all persons engaged upon work projects financed in whole or in part by funds appropriated by section 1 shall (1) be one hundred and thirty hours per month except that the Commissioner, in his discretion, may require a lesser number of hours of work per month in the case of relief workers with no dependents and the earnings of such workers shall be correspondingly reduced, and, (2) not exceed eight hours in any day, and (3) not exceed forty hours in any week.

(b) The Commissioner may authorize exemptions from the above limitations of monthly earnings and hours of work on projects certified as hereinbefore provided as being important for military or naval purposes; to protect work already done on a project; to permit making up lost time; in the case of an emergency involving the public welfare; and in the case of supervisory personnel employed on work projects.

SEC. 10. (a) Section 15 (a) of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941, is hereby continued in effect for the month of July 1941. Effective on August 1, 1941, in employing or retaining in employment on Work Projects Administration work projects, preference shall be given to veterans of the World War and the Spanish-American War and veterans of any campaign or expedition in which the United States has been engaged (as determined on the basis of the laws administered by the Veterans' Administration, except that discharged draft enrollees other than those with service-connected disability shall not be considered as veterans for the purposes of this subsection), and unmarried widows of any such veterans, and the wives of any such veterans who are unemployable, who have been certified as in need of employment by the Work Projects Administration or by any agency designated by it to so certify: *Provided*, That if the total monthly income from all sources of any such veteran or of the unmarried widow of any such veteran, or if the total combined monthly income from all sources of any such unemployable veteran and his wife, as determined by the Commissioner (whose determination shall be final and conclusive), is less than the monthly earnings the veteran, unmarried widow, or wife would receive if employed as a project worker of the Work Projects Administration, then such veteran, unmarried widow, or wife, as the case may be, shall be certified as in need of such employment, and when assigned to such employment he or she shall be employed for such period as will permit the total monthly income of such veteran or unmarried widow, or the total combined monthly income of such

Disposition of receipts and collections.

Restriction on allocation of funds.

Monthly earning schedule.

Differentials, restriction.

Hours of work.

Exemptions.

Preference in employment. 54 Stat. 620.

War veterans, etc.

Unmarried widows.

*Provido.* Determination of need.

unemployable veteran and his wife, to be approximately equal to the amount which would be obtainable by full-time employment on any such project. Thereafter preference in such employment shall be given on the basis of relative needs, as far as practicable, to other American citizens, Indians, and other persons owing allegiance to the United States who are in need.

Removals.

(b) There shall be removed from employment on Work Projects Administration projects all relief workers, excepting blind persons, veterans, unmarried widows of such veterans and wives of such veterans as are unemployable, who have been continuously employed on such projects for more than eighteen months, and any relief worker so removed shall be ineligible to be restored to employment on such projects until after (1) the expiration of twenty days after the date of his removal, and (2) recertification of his eligibility for restoration to employment on such projects: *Provided*, That such workers shall be removed only in the numbers necessary to provide employment for employable persons with the same or similar job qualifications who have been certified for a period of three months or more as in need of Work Projects Administration project employment and who have not in such period been given employment on work projects.

*Proviso.*

Qualifications for employment.

(c) In considering employment of persons upon work projects prosecuted under the appropriations contained in this joint resolution, the Work Projects Administration shall determine whether such persons are able to perform the work on work projects to which they can be assigned and no person shall be employed or retained for employment on any such project whose work habits are such or work record shows that he is incapable of performing satisfactorily the work to which he may be assigned on the project.

Removal or nonemployment of uncertified relief workers.

(d) There shall be removed from employment on Work Projects Administration projects all relief workers whose needs for employment have not been certified by, and except as provided in section 10 (a) or in section 11 (b), no relief worker shall be employed on such projects until after his need for employment has been certified by (a) a local public certifying agency or (b) the Work Projects Administration where no such agency exists or where the Work Projects Administration certifies by reason of its refusal to accept certification by local public agencies.

Blind persons.

(e) No blind person receiving aid under the Social Security Act, as amended, shall be prohibited from temporarily relinquishing such aid to accept employment on a Work Projects Administration project.

Restriction on employment of aliens, Communists, etc.

(f) No alien, no Communist, and no member of any Nazi Bund Organization shall be given employment or continued in employment on any work project prosecuted under the appropriations contained in this joint resolution and no part of the money appropriated in this joint resolution shall be available to pay any person who has not made or who does not make affidavit as to United States citizenship and to the effect that he is not a Communist and not a member of any Nazi Bund Organization, such affidavit to be considered prima facie evidence of such citizenship, and that he is not a Communist, and not a member of any Nazi Bund Organization.

Periodic investigation of relief rolls; eliminations.

(g) The Commissioner shall cause a periodic investigation to be made of the rolls of certified employees on work projects, and shall eliminate from the rolls those not in actual need, such investigation to be made so that each case is investigated at least once in every twelve months.

Refusal of private, etc., employment offer.

SEC. 11. (a) No person in need who refuses a bona fide offer of private or other public employment under reasonable working conditions which pays the prevailing wage for such work in the com-

munity where he resides and who is capable of performing such work shall be employed or retained in employment on work projects under the funds appropriated in this joint resolution for the period such private or other public employment would be available.

(b) Any person who takes such employment shall at the expiration thereof be entitled to immediate reemployment with the Work Projects Administration if he is still in need and if he has lost such employment through no fault of his own, and if he has first drawn all the benefits of unemployment compensation that shall have accrued to him during his term in private employment and which are available to him.

SEC. 12. (a) No person shall be employed or retained in employment in any administrative position, or in any supervisory position on any project, under the appropriations in this joint resolution unless such person has previously subscribed or before engaging in such employment subscribes to the following oath:

"I, A B, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office (or employment) on which I am about to enter (or which I now occupy). So help me God."

(b) No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person 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 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 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 appropriation contained 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 penal clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

(c) The Commissioner and the head of any other agency receiving an appropriation hereunder is authorized to designate employees, administrative and supervisory, as he may deem necessary to administer such oaths as are required by this joint resolution and such other oaths as may be required or necessary in the operation of the Work Projects Administration or other agency, which oaths shall be administered without charge or fee; such oaths shall have the same force and effect as oaths administered by notaries, justices of the peace, and other Federal and non-Federal officers qualified to administer oaths.

SEC. 13. In carrying out the purpose of the appropriations in this joint resolution, the Secretary of the Treasury with the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, is authorized to prescribe rules and regulations for the establishment of special funds in the nature of revolving funds for use, until June 30, 1942, in the purchase, repair, distribution, or rental of materials, supplies, equipment, and tools.

SEC. 14. The provision of section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not apply to any purchase made or service pro-

Restoration of employment status with W.P.A.

Oath of office.

Persons advocating overthrow of U. S. Government.

Provisos. Affidavit.

Penalty.

Designation of employees to administer oaths.

Special funds for purchase of supplies, etc.

Minor purchases.



cured in connection with the appropriations in this joint resolution when the aggregate amount involved is less than \$300.

Administrative ex-  
penses.

SEC. 15. The appropriations in this joint resolution for administrative expenses and such portions of other appropriations in this joint resolution as are available for administrative expenses may be obligated in the amounts which the agency, with the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, shall have certified to the Secretary of the Treasury as necessary for personal services, in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and for contract stenographic reporting services, supplies, and equipment; purchase and exchange of lawbooks, books of reference, directories, and periodicals, and newspapers; travel expenses, including expenses of attendance at meetings of officials and employees of the agency on official business and including transfer of household goods and effects as provided by the Act of October 10, 1940 (Public, Numbered 839, Seventy-sixth Congress), and regulations promulgated thereunder; rental at the seat of government and elsewhere; purchase, operation, and maintenance of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles; printing and binding and such other expenses as may be necessary for the accomplishment of the objectives of this joint resolution.

Transfer of house-  
hold effects.  
64 Stat. 1105.  
5 U. S. C. §73c-1.

Prohibition on use  
of funds to pay certain  
appointees.

SEC. 16. (a) The appropriations contained in section 1 of this joint resolution and any administrative allocations thereof shall not be available to pay the compensation of any person appointed in accordance with the civil-service laws; except that this limitation shall not apply in the case of any person who is employed by any agency of the Government (other than the Work Projects Administration) on the date of enactment of this joint resolution.

Acceptance of un-  
compensated services.

(b) In carrying out the purposes of this joint resolution the agencies receiving appropriations under section 1 hereof or allocations under such appropriations are authorized to accept and utilize such voluntary and uncompensated services, appoint, without regard to civil-service laws, such officers and employees, and utilize, with the consent of the head of the Federal agency by which they are employed, such Federal officers and employees, and with the consent of the State such State and local officers and employees at such compensation as shall be determined by the head of the agency involved, as may be necessary, and prescribe their authorities, duties, responsibilities, and tenure, and, without regard to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, to fix the compensation of any officers and employees so appointed.

Utilization of Fed-  
eral, State, and local  
employees.

(c) Appointments to Federal positions of an administrative or advisory capacity under the appropriations in this joint resolution in any State shall be made from among the bona fide citizens of that State so far as not inconsistent with efficient administration.

42 Stat. 1488.  
5 U. S. C. §§ 661-674.  
Post, p. 613.  
Appointments to  
Federal administra-  
tive, etc., positions in  
States.

Separations and fur-  
loughs.

SEC. 17. In making separations from the Federal service, or furloughs without pay to last as long as three months, of persons employed within the District of Columbia, under the provisions of this joint resolution, the appointing power shall give preference, as nearly as good administration will warrant, in retention to appointees from States that have not received their share of appointments according to population: *Provided, however,* That soldiers, sailors, and marines, the widows of such, or the wives of injured soldiers, sailors, and marines, who themselves are not qualified, but whose wives are qualified to hold a position in the Government service, shall be given preference in retention, in their several grades and classes, where their ratings are good or better.

*Proviso.*  
Preferential status  
of soldiers, etc.

Disability or death  
compensation, etc.  
5 U. S. C. § 796.  
Employees ex-  
cepted.

SEC. 18. The provisions of the Act of February 15, 1934 (48 Stat. 351), as amended, relating to disability or death compensation and benefits shall apply to persons (except administrative employees qualifying as civil employees of the United States) receiving com-

compensation from the appropriations in this joint resolution for services rendered as employees of the United States: *Provided*, That this section shall not apply in any case coming within the purview of the workmen's compensation law of any State, Territory, or possession, or in which the claimant has received or is entitled to receive similar benefits for injury or death.

SEC. 19. None of the funds made available by this joint resolution shall be used (a) for the operation of any theater project, (b) for the operation of any project sponsored solely by the Work Projects Administration, or (c) for radio broadcasting in an amount exceeding \$50,000 or for the acquisition, rental, or distribution of motion-picture films.

SEC. 20. The Commissioner is authorized to consider, ascertain, adjust, determine, and pay from the appropriation in section 1 hereof any claim on account of damage to or loss of privately owned property caused by the negligence of any employee of the Works Progress Administration or the Work Projects Administration while acting within the scope of his employment. No claim shall be considered hereunder which is in excess of \$500, or which is not presented in writing within one year from the date of accrual thereof. Acceptance by a claimant of the amount allowed on account of his claim shall be deemed to be in full settlement thereof, and the action upon such claim so accepted by the claimant shall be conclusive.

SEC. 21. The Commissioner is authorized to call to the attention of the city, county, and State governments the unemployment situation of that city, county, or State, and to seek the cooperation of the State or any subdivision thereof in meeting the unemployment problem.

SEC. 22. Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud the United States makes any false statement in connection with any application for any work project, employment, or relief aid under the appropriations in this joint resolution, or diverts, or attempts to divert or assists in diverting, for the benefit of any person or persons not entitled thereto, any portion of such appropriations, or any services or real or personal property acquired thereunder, or who knowingly, by means of any fraud, force, threat, intimidation, or boycott, or discrimination on account of race, religion, political affiliations (except as may be authorized or required by law), or membership or nonmembership in a labor organization, deprives any person of any of the benefits to which he may be entitled under any such appropriations, or attempts so to do, or assists in so doing, or who disposes of, or assists in disposing of, except for the account of the United States, any property upon which there exists a lien securing a loan made under the provisions of this joint resolution or the Emergency Relief Appropriation Acts of 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939, and the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941, as amended, and supplemented, shall be deemed guilty of a felony and fined not more than \$2,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both. The provisions of this section shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law, or of this joint resolution.

SEC. 23. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to solicit, or knowingly be in any manner concerned in soliciting, any assessment, subscription, or contribution for the campaign expenses of any individual or political party from any person receiving compensation or employment provided for by this joint resolution.

(b) Any person who knowingly violates any provision of this section 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. The provisions of this section shall be in addition to, and

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Nonapplication of section in designated cases.

Restriction on use of funds.

Settlement of private damage claims.

State cooperation to be sought.

False statements with intent to defraud, etc.

Race, etc., discrimination.

54 Stat. 624.  
15 U. S. C. ch. 16  
(note).

Solicitation of campaign contributions.

Penalty.

not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law, or of this joint resolution.

Promise of benefit as reward for political activity.

SEC. 24. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, directly or indirectly, to promise any employment, position, work, compensation, or other benefit, provided for or made possible by this joint resolution, or any other Act of the Congress, to any person as consideration, favor, or reward for any political activity or for the support of or opposition to any candidate in any election or any political party.

Depriving persons of employment on account of race, etc.

(b) Except as may be authorized or required by law, it shall be unlawful for any person to deprive, attempt to deprive, or threaten to deprive, by any means, any person of any employment, position, work, compensation, or other benefit, provided for or made possible by this joint resolution, on account of race, creed, color, or any political activity, support of, or opposition to any candidate or any political party in any election.

Penalty.

(c) Any person who knowingly violates any provision of this section 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. The provisions of this section shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of law, or of this joint resolution.

Use of official authority to interfere with an election.

SEC. 25. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person employed in any administrative or supervisory capacity by any agency of the Federal Government, whose compensation or any part thereof is paid from funds authorized or appropriated by this joint resolution, to use his official authority or influence for the purpose of interfering with an election or affecting the results thereof. While such persons shall retain the right to vote as they please and to express privately their opinions on all political subjects, they shall take no active part, directly or indirectly, in political management or in political campaigns or in political conventions.

Penalty.

(b) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be immediately removed from the position or office held by him, and thereafter no part of the funds appropriated by this joint resolution shall be used to pay the compensation of such person. The provisions of this section shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law, or of this joint resolution.

Candidate for State, etc., office.

SEC. 26. No part of any appropriation in this joint resolution shall be used to pay the salary or expenses of any person in a supervisory or administrative position who is a candidate for any State, district, county, or municipal office (such office requiring full time of such person and to which office a salary or per diem attaches), in any primary, general, or special election, or who is serving as a campaign manager or assistant thereto for any such candidate.

Reports of operations to Congress.  
54 Stat. 624.  
15 U. S. C. ch. 16  
(note).

SEC. 27. Reports of the operations under the appropriations in this joint resolution and the appropriations in the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941, as amended, and supplemented, including a statement of the expenditures made and obligations incurred by classes of projects and amounts, shall be submitted to Congress by the President on or before the 31st of January in each of the next two regular sessions of Congress.

Competition with existing industries, restriction.

SEC. 28. No funds appropriated in this joint resolution, whether administered by the Federal Government or by the States or local governmental agencies from funds contributed in whole or in part by the Federal Government, shall be used by any Federal, State, or other agency to purchase, establish, relocate, or expand mills, factories, stores, or plants which would manufacture, handle, process, or produce for sale articles, commodities, or products (other than those derived from the first processing of sweetpotatoes and naval stores products) in competition with existing industries.

SEC. 29. None of the funds appropriated by this joint resolution shall be used for the manufacture, purchase, or construction of any naval vessel, any armament, munitions, or implement of war, for military or naval forces, and no funds herein appropriated or authorized shall be diverted or allocated to any other department or bureau for such purpose.

Restriction on use of funds for naval or military purposes.

SEC. 30. No part of the funds made available in this joint resolution shall be loaned or granted, except pursuant to an obligation incurred prior to the date of the enactment of this joint resolution, to any State, or any of its political subdivisions or agencies, for the purpose of carrying out or assisting in carrying out any program or project of constructing, rebuilding, repairing, or replanning its penal or reformatory institutions, unless the President shall find that the projects to be financed with such loan or grant will not cause or promote competition of the products of convict labor with the products of free labor.

Restriction on construction, etc., of penal institutions.

Exception.

SEC. 31. In expending appropriations or portions of appropriations, contained in this joint resolution, for the payment for personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade in any appropriation unit herein shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act, as amended, and in grades in which only one position is allocated, the salary of such position shall not exceed the average of the compensation rates for the grade: *Provided*, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service, or (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation was fixed as of July 1, 1924, in accordance with the rules of section 6 of such Act, or (3) to require the reduction in salary of any person who is transferred from one position to another position in the same or different grade in the same or a different bureau, office, or other appropriation unit, or (4) to prevent the payment of a salary under any grade at a rate higher than the maximum rate of the grade when such higher rate is permitted by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and is specifically authorized by other law, or (5) to reduce the compensation of any person in a grade in which only one position is allocated.

Salary restriction.

42 Stat. 1488.  
5 U. S. C. §§ 661-674.  
Post, p. 613.

*Proviso.*  
Restriction not applicable in designated cases.

42 Stat. 1490.  
5 U. S. C. § 666.

SEC. 32. Any Administrator or other officer named to have general supervision at the seat of government over the program and work contemplated under the appropriations contained in this joint resolution and receiving a salary of \$5,000 or more per annum from such appropriations, and any State or regional administrator receiving a salary of \$5,000 or more per annum from such appropriations (except persons now serving as such under other law) shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate: *Provided*, That the provisions of section 1761 of the Revised Statutes shall not apply to any such appointee and the salary of any person so appointed shall not be increased for a period of six months after confirmation.

Appointment of designated administrators.

*Proviso.*  
Recess appointees.  
5 U. S. C. § 56.

State Administrators.

SEC. 33. The Work Projects Administration shall continue to maintain in each State an Office of State Administrator for such State.

SEC. 34. There is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year 1942, the sum of \$25,000,000, to be used by the Secretary of Agriculture for the purpose of effectuating the provisions of section 32 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act, and for other

Disposal of surplus commodities.  
Post, p. 437.

49 Stat. 774.  
7 U. S. C. § 612c.

purposes", approved August 24, 1935, as amended, such sum to be in addition to any funds appropriated by such section 32 and to be subject to all the provisions of law relating to the expenditure of such funds.

Approved, July 1, 1941.

[CHAPTER 267]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, and for other purposes.

July 1, 1941  
[H. R. 3735]  
[Public Law 144]

Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1942.

*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 Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, namely:

*Post*, pp. 550, 749.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

*Post*, p. 831.

SALARIES

*Provisos.*  
Salary restriction.

42 Stat. 1488.  
5 U. S. C. §§ 661-674.  
*Post*, p. 613.

Restriction not applicable in designated cases.

42 Stat. 1490.  
5 U. S. C. § 666.

Stenographic reporting services.

Options to purchase lands.

Allowances for living quarters abroad.

46 Stat. 813.

For the Secretary of Agriculture, Under Secretary of Agriculture, Assistant Secretary, and for other personal services in the District of Columbia, and elsewhere, \$609,424: *Provided*, That in expending appropriations or portions of appropriations contained in this Act for the payment of personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, with the exception of the Assistant Secretary, the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade in any bureau, office, or other appropriation unit shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act as amended and in grades in which only one position is allocated the salary of such position shall not exceed the average of the compensation rates for the grade, except that in unusually meritorious cases of one position in a grade advances may be made to rates higher than the average of the compensation rates of the grade but not more often than once in any fiscal year and then only to the next higher rate: *Provided further*, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service, or (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation was fixed as of July 1, 1924, in accordance with the rules of section 6 of such Act, (3) to require the reduction in salary of any person who is transferred from one position to another position in the same or different grade, in the same or different bureau, office, or other appropriation unit, (4) to prevent the payment of a salary under any grade at a rate higher than the maximum rate of the grade when such higher rate is permitted by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and is specifically authorized by other law, or (5) to reduce the compensation of any person in a grade in which only one position is allocated: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to contract for stenographic reporting services, and the appropriations made in this Act shall be available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to expend from appropriations available for the purchase of lands not to exceed \$1 for each option to purchase any particular tract or tracts of land: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$25,000 of the appropriations available for salaries and expenses of officers and employees of the Department of Agriculture permanently stationed in foreign countries may be used for payment of allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, as authorized by the Act approved June 26, 1930 (5