

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Approved, June 30, 1942.

Appropriation authorized.

[CHAPTER 461]

AN ACT

To further expedite the prosecution of the war by authorizing the control of the exportation of certain commodities.

June 30, 1942

[S. 2558]

[Public Law 638]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 6 of the Act of July 2, 1940 (54 Stat. 714) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Export control of certain commodities. 50 U. S. C., app. § 701.

"SEC. 6. (a) The President is hereby authorized to prohibit or curtail the exportation of any articles, technical data, materials, or supplies, except under such rules and regulations as he shall prescribe.

Authority of the President.

"(b) Unless the President shall otherwise direct, the functions and duties of the President under this section shall be performed by the Board of Economic Warfare.

Administration by Board of Economic Warfare.

"(c) In case of the violation of any provision of any proclamation, rule, or regulation issued hereunder, such violator or violators, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or by imprisonment for not more than two years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Penalty for violation.

"(d) The authority granted by this section shall terminate on June 30, 1944 or upon any prior date which the Congress by concurrent resolution, or the President, may designate; except that as to offenses committed, or rights or liabilities incurred prior to such date, the provisions of this section and such rules, regulations, and proclamations shall be treated as remaining in effect for the purpose of sustaining any suit, action, or prosecution with respect to such right, liability, or offense."

Termination of authority.

Approved, June 30, 1942.

[CHAPTER 462]

AN ACT

To provide for the better administration of officer personnel of the Navy and Marine Corps during the existing war, and for other purposes.

June 30, 1942

[H. R. 7160]

[Public Law 639]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the provisions of existing law insofar as they relate to periodic computations for the purpose of determining the authorized number of commissioned officers in the various grades of the line of the Regular Navy and of the Marine Corps, the permanent promotion or advancement of all officers of the Navy and Marine Corps, and the involuntary retirement or honorable discharge of commissioned officers of the Navy and Marine Corps by reason of failure of selection for promotion or advancement or upon the completion of designated periods of commissioned service, are hereby suspended: *Provided,* That in the discretion of the Secretary of the Navy an officer who on the date of this Act has been recommended for permanent promotion or advancement by the approved report of a selection board, or who has become due for permanent promotion or advancement by length of service or otherwise to a nonselection grade or rank, shall be immediately eligible for such permanent promotion or advancement, with or without the examinations required by existing law as the

Navy and Marine Corps.

Suspension of certain provisions affecting officer personnel.

Proviso. Officers recommended or due for permanent promotion.

Immediate eligibility.