

[CHAPTER 88]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to change the name of Conduit Road in the District of Columbia", approved March 4, 1942.

March 11, 1944
[S. 1554]
[Public Law 252]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to change the name of Conduit Road in the District of Columbia", approved March 4, 1942, is hereby amended to read as follows:

MacArthur Boulevard.
56 Stat. 123.

"That the highway now known as Conduit Road extending from Foxhall Road in the District of Columbia to Great Falls in the State of Maryland shall hereafter be designated MacArthur Boulevard in honor of the gallant defense of the Philippines by General Douglas MacArthur."

Approved March 11, 1944.

[CHAPTER 89]

AN ACT

To extend for one year the date of termination of Public Law 22, dated April 1, 1943, entitled "To provide for a temporary increase in compensation for certain employees of the District of Columbia Government and the White House Police Force".

March 11, 1944
[S. 1658]
[Public Law 253]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of Public Law 22, approved April 1, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

"This Act shall take effect as of December 1, 1942, and shall terminate on June 30, 1945, or such earlier date as the Congress by concurrent resolution may prescribe."

57 Stat. 57.
3 U. S. C., Supp.
III, § 63 note.

Approved March 11, 1944.

[CHAPTER 91]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide cash awards to personnel of the Maritime Commission and the War Shipping Administration for useful suggestions to improve administration of their activities.

March 13, 1944
[S. J. Res. 78]
[Public Law 254]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States Maritime Commission is authorized to pay cash awards for suggestions submitted to it by any of its officers or employees in cases where the suggestion, in the opinion of the Commission or of a committee designated by it, would, if adopted, make for substantially increased efficiency, economy, or general improvement in carrying out the duties, powers, or functions of the Commission. Such suggestions shall be submitted and such awards shall be made under such rules and regulations as the Commission may prescribe, including provision for transfer to the United States of all rights or interests of the officer or employee in the suggestion. The provisions of this section shall apply in like manner to the War Shipping Administration and its officers and employees, and for the purpose of this section the terms "United States Maritime Commission" and "Commission" shall be deemed to refer to the War Shipping Administration. The total amount of cash awards made under this joint resolution in any fiscal year shall not exceed \$5,000 for each such agency, and the amount paid for any one suggestion shall not exceed \$250 for any one suggestion, except in case of a patentable idea, it may be not more than \$1,000.

Maritime Commission.
Cash awards for useful suggestions.

Applicability to War Shipping Administration.

Limitation.

Approved March 13, 1944.

[CHAPTER 92]

AN ACT

March 14, 1944
[H. R. 2912]
[Public Law 255]

To authorize the charging of tolls for the passage or transit of Government traffic over the Golden Gate Bridge.

Golden Gate Bridge.
Tolls on Govern-
ment traffic.

Free use by desig-
nated personnel.

Authorization for
free use.

Other means of es-
tablishing right to free
use.

Unlawful acts.

Penalty.

Effective date.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That tolls may be charged for the passage or transit over the Golden Gate Bridge of Government traffic, of military or naval personnel and their dependents, and of civilian employees of the Army and Navy traveling on Government business, but such tolls shall not be in excess of the tolls charged for the passage or transit of other like traffic over such bridge: *Provided, however,* That subject to the provisions of section 2, military and naval personnel, and civilian employees of the Army and Navy, when such personnel or employees are engaged in the performance of official duties requiring the use of such bridge, together with the conveyances being used by them in the performance of such duties, shall have the use of such bridge free of toll.

SEC. 2. (a) The use of the Golden Gate Bridge free of toll, provided for in section 1, shall be granted upon the presentation and surrender at the toll lanes of an authorization certifying that the traffic in question is entitled to such right. Such authorization shall be issued and signed by any military or naval officer designated for such purpose in accordance with regulations which shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, respectively. The names and signatures of officers so designated shall be furnished to the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District, and thereafter authorizations signed by them shall be accepted by such bridge and highway district as prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), such right to use the Golden Gate Bridge free of toll may be established by any other device or means which may be acceptable to the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District; and the Secretary of War and the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District, and the Secretary of the Navy and the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District, may enter into any appropriate agreements to secure the effective, convenient, and just exercise of such right.

SEC. 3. Whoever secures or attempts to secure the exemption from toll provided for in this Act or an authorization referred to in section 2, knowing that he is not entitled thereto, and whoever signs or issues any such authorization certifying to such right of exemption, knowing that such right does not exist, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than ten days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 4. The provisions of this Act shall take effect thirty days after the date of its enactment.

Approved March 14, 1944.

[CHAPTER 93]

AN ACT

March 14, 1944
[S. 1658]
[Public Law 256]

Authorizing appropriations for the United States Navy for additional ship repair facilities, and for other purposes.

Navy.
Ship repair facili-
ties.
Post, pp. 159, 315.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$130,000,000 for essential equipment and facilities at either private or public plants for repairing, altering, or