

[CHAPTER 130]

AN ACT

To provide titles for heads of staff departments of the United States Marine Corps, and for other purposes.

March 24, 1944
[S. 1653]
[Public Law 265]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter officers serving as heads of the Paymaster's Department and the Quartermaster's Department of the United States Marine Corps shall have the title of "The Paymaster General of the Marine Corps" and "The Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps", respectively.

Marine Corps.
Heads of staff de-
partments.

SEC. 2. All laws or parts of laws now in force relating to the staff departments of the United States Marine Corps, except as provided in section 1 of this Act, shall remain in full force and effect.

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[CHAPTER 134]

AN ACT

To grant increases in compensation to substitute employees in the Postal Service, and for other purposes.

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[Public Law 266]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That substitute postal employees, after two thousand four hundred and forty-eight hours of actual and satisfactory service as such substitute, including service as a special-delivery messenger, shall be paid for services actually performed at the rate of the annual salary received by regular employees of the first grade, the hourly rate to be computed by dividing the annual salary of such regular employees by the number two thousand four hundred and forty-eight; and thereafter the rate of pay of such substitute employees shall be increased to the annual rate of the next higher grade of such regular employees, computed in the same manner, upon the completion of each additional period of two thousand four hundred and forty-eight hours of actual and satisfactory service, until they shall have attained the rate for the highest successive rate of regular pay or shall have received appointment to a regular position: *Provided,* That there shall be not more than one increase in the rate of pay of such employees within a twelve months' period: *Provided further,* That the increases in the rate of pay provided herein shall become effective at the beginning of the quarter following the completion of two thousand four hundred and forty-eight hours of required service: *Provided further,* That in the adjustment of the increases in the rates of pay provided herein credit shall be given for not exceeding three years of past continuous service and the hourly rate of compensation adjusted accordingly.

Postal Service.
Pay increases for
substitute employees.

SEC. 2. Upon appointment to a regular position in the Postal Service an employee shall receive credit for actual service performed as a substitute, including time served as a special-delivery messenger on the basis of one year for each unit of two thousand four hundred and forty-eight hours, and shall be promoted to the grade to which such employee would have progressed had his original appointment been to grade 1. Any fractional part of a year's service as a substitute shall be included with regular service in determining eligibility for promotion to a higher grade, following appointment to a regular position.

Credit upon regular
appointment.

SEC. 3. Allowable service under the provisions of this Act shall be only such service as has been rendered during continuous active service and shall not include previous periods or terms of employment: *Provided, however,* That in the case of those who have been separated,

Allowable service
construed.

Military duty.