

Equality of space or
time allotments.

Letters, etc., to
members of armed
forces.

Ante, p. 149.
Termination of spec-
ified sections.
Ante, pp. 727, 149.

public life, through the media of servicemen's publications and motion pictures, radio programs, news services, and educational and orientation courses originated by the Army or Navy: *Provided*, That if in any issue or presentation space or time is allotted to editorials or columns supporting a political party which has a candidate for President in at least six States in the current Presidential election, an equal amount of space or time shall be allotted in the same issue or presentation to similar matter concerning each such other political party.

"(4) Nothing in this section shall prevent the sending of any letter, communication, magazine, newspaper, or other literature by any individual, corporation (other than a Government-owned or Government-controlled corporation), or political committee to any member of the armed forces, addressed personally to such member of the armed forces, and paid for by him, or by the individual, corporation, or committee sending the same."

SEC. 2. Such Act as amended is further amended by adding after section 24 thereof the following new section:

"SEC. 25. The provisions of sections 22 and 23 shall expire upon the expiration of six months after the termination of hostilities in the present war as proclaimed by the President or declared by concurrent resolution of the Congress."

Approved August 21, 1944.

[CHAPTER 405]

AN ACT

September 7, 1944
[S. 1508]
[Public Law 419]

To provide effective date of awards of death pension or compensation in cases of persons missing or missing in action to authorize payment of such benefits from the date of death of such person as reported or found by the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy, and for other purposes.

Army and Navy.
Death pension, etc.

48 Stat. 8.
38 U. S. C. §§ 701-
721; Supp. III, § 701
et seq.
Ante, p. 287.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That effective December 7, 1941, where in the case of a person in the active land or naval service a report of death or a finding of death has been made by the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy, the effective date of an award of death pension or compensation payable under Public Law Numbered 2, Seventy-third Congress, as amended, shall be the day following the date fixed by the Secretary as the date of death in such report or finding: *Provided*, That claim be filed prior to one year after report or finding of death is made: *And provided further*, That death pension or compensation under the laws administered by the Veterans' Administration shall not be payable to any dependent for any period for which such dependent has received, or is entitled to receive, an allowance, allotment, or service pay of the deceased.

Approved September 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 406]

AN ACT

September 7, 1944
[S. 1934]
[Public Law 420]

To provide for abandonment of the project authorized in the Act of October 17, 1940, for a seaplane channel and basin in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts.

Boston Harbor,
Mass.

54 Stat. 1198.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the project for construction of a seaplane channel and basin in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts, authorized in the Act of October 17, 1940, is hereby abandoned, such abandonment having been recommended by the Chief of Engineers in a report contained in House Document Numbered 472, Seventy-eighth Congress.

Approved September 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 407]

AN ACT

To amend further the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942 is hereby amended by amending section 3A thereof, as added by section 3 of the Act of December 2, 1942 (Public Law 785, Seventy-seventh Congress), to read as follows:

“SEC. 3A. In computing the service for all pay purposes of persons paid under the provisions of section 1, 3, 8, or 9 of this Act, such persons, in addition to the time required to be credited by the section under which they are paid, shall be credited with full time for all periods during which they were enlisted or held commissions as officers or held appointments as warrant officers or Army field clerks or as commissioned warrant officers in any of the services mentioned in the title of this Act, or in the Regular Army Reserve, or in the Medical Reserve Corps of the Navy, the Dental Reserve Corps of the Navy, or in the Organized Militia prior to July 1, 1916, or in the National Guard, or in the National Guard Reserve, or in the National Guard of the United States, or in the Enlisted Reserve Corps, or in the Naval Militia, or in the National Naval Volunteers, or in the Naval Reserve Force, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve Force, Marine Corps Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, and the Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service, or in the Philippine Scouts, or in the Philippine Constabulary, or in the Coast and Geodetic Survey as authorized by section 2 (b) of the Act of January 19, 1942 (56 Stat. 6). The provisions of this section shall not be construed to permit any person to receive pay and allowances in excess of the maximum limitations imposed upon the total pay and allowances of his rank, grade, or rating by any of the provisions of this Act, nor to modify the character of service required for advancement of commissioned warrant officers to a higher pay period.”

SEC. 2. (a) The third and fourth paragraphs of section 8 of such Act are each hereby amended by inserting after the word “masters” the words “and chief engineers”.

(b) The sixth paragraph of section 8 of such Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Every person paid under the provisions of this section shall receive an increase of 5 per centum of the base pay of his period for each three years of service, not exceeding thirty years. Such service shall be active Federal service in any of the services mentioned in the title of this Act or Reserve components thereof; service in the active National Guard of the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia; and service in the Enlisted Reserve Corps of the Army, the Officers’ Reserve Corps of the Army, the Naval Reserve, the Marine Corps Reserve, and the Coast Guard Reserve.”

SEC. 3. The third paragraph of section 9 of such Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Every enlisted man paid under the provisions of this section shall receive an increase of 5 per centum of the base pay of his grade for each three years of service up to thirty years. Such service shall be active Federal service in any of the services mentioned in the title of this Act or Reserve components thereof; service in the active National Guard of the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia; and service in the Enlisted Reserve Corps of the Army, the Officers’ Reserve Corps of the Army, the Naval Reserve, the Marine Corps Reserve, and the Coast Guard Reserve.”

September 7, 1944
[H. R. 1506]
[Public Law 421]

Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, amendments.

56 Stat. 1037.
37 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 103a.

Computation of service for pay purposes.

56 Stat. 359, 360, 362, 363.

37 U. S. C., Supp. III, §§ 101, 103, 108, 109.

Infra, post, p. 730.
Credits.

33 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 854a (b).
Limitations.

56 Stat. 362, 363.
37 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 108.

Longevity increase.
Service credits.

56 Stat. 363.
37 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 109.

Enlisted men.
Longevity increase.