

[CHAPTER 520]

AN ACT

December 7, 1944
[H. R. 3608]
[Public Law 466]

Relating to certain overtime compensation of civilian employees of the United States.

Overtime pay of
civilian employees of
U. S.
56 Stat. 1068.
5 U. S. C., Supp. III,
§§ 26a note, 29 note.

Release of liability
for certain overpay-
ments.

Refunds.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That employees or former employees of the United States who were in the purview of Public Law 821, Seventy-seventh Congress, approved December 22, 1942, which law was in effect from December 1, 1942, to April 30, 1943, and which limited the overtime compensation of any employee to an amount which "will not cause his aggregate compensation to exceed a rate of \$5,000 per annum", (1) are hereby relieved of liability to repay to the United States any amounts received by them for any pay period which were in excess of the maximum compensation to which they were entitled for such period under the provisions of said Public Law 821 and (2) shall be entitled to refunds of any such amounts that they have repaid to the United States: *Provided*, That in no case shall there be validated aggregate payment to an employee in excess of five-twelfths of \$5,000.

Approved December 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 521]

AN ACT

December 7, 1944
[H. R. 3750]
[Public Law 467]

To provide for the appointment of an additional circuit judge for the third circuit, and to permit the filling of the first vacancy occurring in the office of district judge for the eastern district of Pennsylvania.

U. S. courts.
Additional circuit
judge.

28 U. S. C. § 1 note.
Pennsylvania east-
ern district.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one additional circuit judge for the third circuit.

SEC. 2. The proviso contained in section 2 (a) of the Act approved May 24, 1940, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of additional district and circuit judges" (54 Stat. 219), is amended to read as follows: "*Provided*, That the first vacancy occurring in the office of district judge in each of said districts, except in the eastern district of Pennsylvania, shall not be filled."

Approved December 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 522]

AN ACT

December 7, 1944
[H. R. 4085]
[Public Law 468]

Further defining the number and duties of criers and bailiffs in United States courts and regulating their compensation.

U. S. Courts.
36 Stat. 1088.
28 U. S. C. § 9.
Criers and bailiffs.

Additional bailiffs.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Judicial Code be amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. Each district judge may appoint a crier for the court in which he presides, who shall perform also the duties of bailiff and messenger, and who shall receive a salary of \$1,800 per annum and, when necessarily absent from his designated post of duty on the business of the court, his actual traveling expenses and in lieu of his actual expenses for subsistence a per diem allowance to be prescribed by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts at a rate not to exceed \$6. The marshal for each district may appoint such a number of additional bailiffs, not exceeding four, as the district judge may determine, to maintain order in the courtroom, to wait upon the grand and petit juries, and for other necessary purposes, who shall be allowed for their services the sum of \$6 per day to be paid only

for actual attendance on days when the court is in session or the judge or a jury is present. In case the position of crier or bailiff is to be filled by the appointment of a person who has not previously served as either crier or bailiff, preference in the appointment shall be given to a person who has served in the military or naval forces of the United States in time of war and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, if in the opinion of the appointing officer such person is as well qualified as any other available person to perform to the satisfaction of the appointing officer all the duties of the position being filled."

SEC. 2. That section 715 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed.

Approved December 7, 1944.

Military or naval preference.

28 U. S. C. § 595.

[CHAPTER 523]

AN ACT

To increase the service-connected disability rates of pension for certain Regular Establishment veterans and veterans of wars prior to World War I.

December 7, 1944
[H. R. 4999]
[Public Law 469]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the monthly rates of pension for service-connected disability, exclusive of special awards and allowances fixed by law, payable under laws administered by the Veterans' Administration to veterans not included in section 1 of Public Law Numbered 312, Seventy-eighth Congress, approved May 27, 1944, are hereby increased by 15 per centum, effective as of the first day of June 1944.

Service-connected disability rates of pension.

Ante, p. 229.

Approved December 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 524]

AN ACT

To transfer jurisdiction over the Chattanooga National Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tennessee, from the Department of the Interior to the War Department, and for other purposes.

December 7, 1944
[H. R. 5232]
[Public Law 470]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chattanooga National Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tennessee, is hereby transferred from the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior to the jurisdiction of the Secretary of War for administration in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable to national cemeteries administered by the War Department.

Chattanooga National Cemetery, Tenn.
Transfer of jurisdiction.

The unexpended balance of any funds available for administration of the Chattanooga National Cemetery, as determined by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, shall be transferred to the Secretary of War, and may be expended hereafter by him for the same purposes for which such funds were made available.

Transfer of funds.

Approved December 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 546]

AN ACT

To grant pensions to certain unremarried dependent widows of Civil War veterans who were married to the veteran subsequent to June 26, 1905.

December 8, 1944
[H. R. 86]
[Public Law 471]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the dependent unremarried widow of a Civil War veteran who is barred from the receipt of pension because her marriage to the veteran occurred subsequent to June 26, 1905, but who is otherwise entitled to such pension either under the Act of May 1, 1920 (41 Stat. 585), or under the

Pensions. Unremarried dependent widows of Civil War veterans.

38 U. S. C. § 288.