the United States or any agency or official of the United States entitled to bring such action, the action may be commenced at any time within two years after the United States or any agency or official of the United States who is entitled to bring the same shall discover that the United States or any agency or official of the United States had such cause of action, although such action would be otherwise barred by the provisions of this Act.

Approved March 6, 1946.

[CHAPTER 49]

AN ACT

March 6, 1946 [H. R. 2240] [Public Law 309]

To credit certain service performed by members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service prior to reaching eighteen years of age for the purpose of computing longevity pay, or for other pay purposes.

Army, Navy, etc. Service credit. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any service which would be creditable, for the purpose of computing longevity pay, or for other pay purposes, of members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, or Public Health Service, or of any of the reserve components thereof, except for the fact that such service was, or shall be, performed prior to the attainment of the age of eighteen years, shall, under such regulations as the head of the Department concerned may prescribe, be credited notwithstanding such fact.

Sec. 2. The provisions of this Act shall be effective from June 1, 1942, and shall cease to be in effect six months after termination of the present war

Approved March 6, 1946.

[CHAPTER 50]

AN ACT

March 6, 1946 [H. R. 3028] [Public Law 310]

Effective period.

To amend the Act of August 17, 1937, as amended, relating to the establishment of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area in the State of North Carolina.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, N. C. 50 Stat. 670; 54 Stat. 702.

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50 Stat. 669. 16 U. S. C. § 459. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso in the first paragraph of section 4 of the Act approved August 17, 1937, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 16, sec. 459a-2), relating to the establishment of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area in the State of North Carolina, is amended to read as follows: "Provided, That the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, accept for administration, protection, and development by the National Park Service a minimum of ten thousand acres within the area described in section 1 of this Act, including the existing Cape Hatteras State Park, and, in addition, any other portions of the area described in section 1 hereof if the State of North Carolina shall agree that if all the lands described in section 1 of this Act shall not have been conveyed to the United States within fifteen years from August 17, 1937, the establishment of the aforesaid national seashore recreational area may, in the discretion of the said Secretary, be abandoned, and that, in the event of such abandonment, the said State will accept a reconveyance of title to all lands conveyed by it to the United States for said national seashore recreational area".

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