

Canal and the ninety feet of land on each side of the canal in the sections or parts of sections hereinafter enumerated, the State of Illinois or any authorized agent thereof shall not change in any manner the physical conditions which exist at the time of the passage of this Act, unless such changes have been recommended by the Chief of Engineers and authorized by the Secretary of War; this to include construction, erection, or removal of any structure, excavation, or deposition of materials from or on such lands, and so forth. The sections in which such reservations are made are as follows:

Sections.

Sections 16, 21, 22, and the west half of section 15, township 33 north, range 1 east, of the third principal meridian, La Salle County, Illinois.

The east half of section 13, township 33 north, range 2 east, of the third principal meridian, La Salle County, Illinois; and section 18, township 33 north, range 3 east, of the third principal meridian, La Salle County, Illinois.

The east half of the east half of section 22, sections 23, 26, 25, and 36, township 34 north, range 8 east, of the third principal meridian, Grundy County, Illinois; and sections 30, 31, 29, and 20, township 34 north, range 9 east, of the third principal meridian, Will County, Illinois.

The east half of section 20, sections 21, 16, 10, 9, and 4, and the south half of section 3, township 35 north, range 10 east, of the third principal meridian, Will County, Illinois.

Section 14 and the east half of the east half of section 15, township 37 north, range 11 east, of the third principal meridian, Cook and Du Page Counties, Illinois.

Removal of structures, etc.

Sections 29, 28, 21, 16, 10, and 9, township 39 north, range 14 east, of the third principal meridian, Cook County, Illinois. Authorizations issued under the provisions of this Act shall contain the following clause:

"If future operations by the United States require removal or alteration in the structure or the work herein authorized, the State of Illinois will be required, upon due notice from the Secretary of War, to remove or alter the work without expense to the United States so as to render navigation reasonably free, easy, and unobstructed. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration."

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[CHAPTER 192]

AN ACT

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[Public Law 153]

To amend existing laws relating to military leave of certain employees of the United States or of the District of Columbia so as to equalize rights to leave of absence and reemployment for such employees who are members of the Enlisted or Officers' Reserve Corps, the National Guard or the Naval Reserve, and for other purposes.

Military leave for certain Federal and D. C. employees. Enlisted Reserve Corps. *Post*, p. 239.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the third and fourth paragraphs under the subheading "Ordnance Stores and Equipment for Reserve Officers' Training Corps" in the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the support of the Army for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and for other purposes", approved May 12, 1917 (40 Stat. 72; 10 U. S. C. A. 371), are hereby amended by inserting in each such paragraph after the words "the Officers' Reserve Corps" the words "or the Enlisted Reserve Corps".

(b) The fourth paragraph under the subheading "Ordnance Stores and Equipment for Reserve Officers' Training Corps" of the Act of May 12, 1917, as amended, as it appears on page 72, volume 40, Statutes at Large, is hereby amended by striking out the period at the end of the said paragraph, substituting a colon therefor, and adding the following proviso: "*Provided further*, That no existing law shall be construed to prevent any member of the Officers' Reserve Corps or the Enlisted Reserve Corps from accepting employment in any civil branch of the public service nor from receiving the pay incident to such employment in addition to any pay and allowances to which he may be entitled under the laws relating to the Officers' Reserve Corps and Enlisted Reserve Corps, nor as prohibiting him from practicing his civilian profession or occupation before or in connection with any department of the Federal Government."

10 U. S. C. § 371.
Ante, p. 238.

Officers' Reserve
Corps or Enlisted
Reserve Corps.
Acceptance of em-
ployment, etc.

SEC. 2. Section 80 of the Act of June 3, 1916 (39 Stat. 203; 32 U. S. C. 75), is hereby amended by striking out the period as it appears at the end of the said section, substituting a comma therefor, and adding the following: "for periods not to exceed fifteen days in any one calendar year: *Provided*, That all members of the National Guard who are in the employ of the United States Government or of the District of Columbia and who are ordered to duty by proper authority shall, when relieved from duty, be restored to the positions held by them when ordered to duty: *And provided further*, That no existing law shall be construed to prevent any member of the National Guard from accepting employment in any civil branch of the public service nor from receiving the pay incident to such employment in addition to any pay and allowances to which he may be entitled under the provisions of law relating to the National Guard, nor as prohibiting him from practicing his civilian profession or occupation before or in connection with any department of the Federal Government."

National Guard.

Restoration to positions.

Acceptance of employment, etc.

SEC. 3. Section 9 of the Naval Reserve Act of 1938 (52 Stat. 1177; 34 U. S. C. Annotated 853g), as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the period as it appears at the end of the said section, substituting a colon therefor, and adding the following proviso: "*And provided further*, That all members of the Naval Reserve who are in the employ of the United States Government or of the District of Columbia and who are ordered to duty by proper authority shall, when relieved from duty, be restored to the positions held by them when ordered to duty."

Naval Reserve.

Restoration to positions.

SEC. 4. The words "officers and employees of the United States or of the District of Columbia" as used in the third paragraph, subheading "Ordnance Stores and Equipment for Reserve Officers' Training Corps", of the Act of May 12, 1917 (40 Stat. 72; 10 U. S. C. Annotated 371), as now or hereafter amended, as used in that part of section 80 of the Act of June 3, 1916 (39 Stat. 203; 32 U. S. C. 75), as now or hereafter amended, which precedes the proviso, and as used in the first proviso of section 9 of the Naval Reserve Act of 1938 (52 Stat. 1177; 34 U. S. C. Annotated 853g), as now or hereafter amended, shall be construed to mean all officers and employees of the United States or of the District of Columbia, permanent or temporary indefinite, without regard to classifications or terminology peculiar to the Federal Civil Service System.

"Officers and employees of the United States or of the District of Columbia."

Ante, p. 238; *supra*.

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[CHAPTER 193]

AN ACT

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[H. R. 1997]
[Public Law 154]

To provide seniority benefits for certain officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force and of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia who are veterans of World War II and lost opportunity for promotion by reason of their service in the armed forces of the United States.

District of Columbia.
Seniority rights for certain policemen and firemen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) any officer or member of the Metropolitan Police force or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, who served in the armed forces of the United States during the period beginning May 1, 1940, and ending December 31, 1946, and (1) whose name appeared during such service (as a result of a regular or reopened competitive examination for promotion) on any civil-service register with respect to such force or department for promotion to a higher rank or grade, or (2) whose name appeared on such a register as a result of a reopened examination taken subsequent to his release, shall, for the purpose of determining his seniority rights and service in such rank or grade, be held to have been promoted to such rank or grade as of the earliest date on which an eligible standing lower on the same promotion register received a promotion either permanently or temporarily to such rank or grade.

Reenlistment.

(b) No officer or member of the Metropolitan Police force or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia shall be entitled to the benefits of this section who has reenlisted after June 1, 1945, in the Regular Military Establishment or after February 1, 1945, in the Regular Naval Establishment.

Rank and pay, restrictions.

SEC. 2. No officer or member of the Metropolitan Police force or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia shall, by reason of the enactment of this Act, be (1) reduced in rank or grade, or (2) entitled to any compensation for any period prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

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[CHAPTER 194]

AN ACT

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[Public Law 155]

To correct an error in section 342 (b) (8) of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended.

Nationality Act of 1940, amendment.
54 Stat. 1161; 58 Stat. 755.
8 U. S. C. § 742 (b) (8).
Fees for furnishing copies of records.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 342 (b) (8) of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended (58 Stat. 745; U. S. C., Supp. 742 (b) (8)), is amended to read as follows:

“(8) Reasonable fees, with the approval of the Attorney General, in cases where such fees have not been established by law, to cover the cost of furnishing copies, whether certified or uncertified, of any part of the records, or information from the records, of the Service. Such fees shall not exceed a maximum of 25 cents per folio, with a minimum fee of 50 cents for any one such service, in addition to a fee of \$1 for any official certification furnished under seal. No such fee shall be required from officers or agencies of the United States or of any State or any subdivision thereof, for such copies or information furnished for official use in connection with the official duties of such officers or agencies.”

Copies furnished without charge.

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