

Mystic, Connecticut, the Joseph Conrad for use by the Marine Historical Association of Mystic, Connecticut, as a museum and for youth-training purposes to be in large part devoted to creating interest in the merchant marine and maritime matters. The transfer of said ship to carry a provision that in the event the Maritime Commission should need the ship for training purposes, then it shall be transferred to the Maritime Commission. The Maritime Commission is also authorized to place in the museum pictures, relics, flags, displays, and documents, for the purpose of creating interest in the American merchant marine and maritime matters. In the event the Marine Historical Association of Mystic, Connecticut, should fail to accept under this Act, the Maritime Commission is authorized to give and deliver the said ship to the city of Saint Petersburg, Florida, for museum and youth-training purposes.

Approved July 9, 1947.

[CHAPTER 219]

AN ACT

To amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, to provide annuities for investigatory personnel of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who have rendered at least twenty years of service.

July 11, 1947
[S. 715]
[Public Law 168]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 (b) of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

56 Stat. 14.
6 U. S. C. § 691 (b).

“(i) Any special agent, special agent in charge, inspector, Assistant Director, assistant to the Director, Associate Director, or the Director, who is at least fifty years of age and who has rendered twenty years of service or more as a special agent, or as aforesaid above, in the Federal Bureau of Investigation may, on his own application and with the consent of the Attorney General, retire from the service and such annuity of such employee shall be equal to 2 per centum of his average basic salary for the five years next preceding the date of his retirement, multiplied by the number of years of service, not exceeding thirty years.”

Retirement of special agents, etc., of FBI.

Annuity.

Approved July 11, 1947.

[CHAPTER 220]

AN ACT

To authorize the preparation of preliminary plans and estimates of cost for an additional office building for the use of the United States Senate.

July 11, 1947
[S. 723]
[Public Law 169]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Architect of the Capitol, subject to the direction and supervision of the Senate Office Building Commission created by the Sundry Civil Appropriation Act of April 28, 1904 (33 Stat. 481), the membership of which is hereby increased from three to five members, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, is authorized and directed to prepare preliminary plans and estimates of cost for an additional office building for the use of the United States Senate.

U. S. Senate.
Plans, etc., for additional office building.

Increase in membership of Commission.

SEC. 2. The Architect of the Capitol is authorized to make such expenditures as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, and there is hereby authorized to be appropriated for such purpose the sum of \$25,000.

Appropriation authorized.
Post, p. 612.

Approved July 11, 1947.

[CHAPTER 221]

AN ACT

July 11, 1947
[S. 980]
[Public Law 170]

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to define the area of the United States Capitol Grounds, to regulate the use thereof, and for other purposes", approved July 31, 1946.

U. S. C a p i t o l
G r o u n d s .

60 Stat. 720.
40 U. S. C. § 212b(b).

Promulgation of reg-
ulations.

60 Stat. 720.
40 U. S. C. § 212b(c).

Publication of regu-
lations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 14 (b) of the Act entitled "An Act to define the area of the United States Capitol Grounds, to regulate the use thereof, and for other purposes", approved July 31, 1946 (60 Stat. 718), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(b) Regulations authorized to be promulgated under this section shall be promulgated by the Capitol Police Board and such regulations may be amended from time to time by the Capitol Police Board whenever it shall deem it necessary: *Provided,* That until such regulations are promulgated and become effective, the traffic regulations of the District of Columbia shall be applicable to the United States Capitol Grounds."

SEC. 2. Section 14 (c) of said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) All regulations promulgated under the authority of this section shall, when adopted by the Capitol Police Board, be printed in one or more of the daily newspapers published in the District of Columbia, and shall not become effective until the expiration of ten days after the date of such publication, except that whenever the Capitol Police Board deems it advisable to make effective immediately any regulation relating to parking, diverting of vehicular traffic, or the closing of streets to such traffic, the regulation shall be effective immediately upon placing at the point where it is to be in force conspicuous signs containing a notice of the regulation. Any expenses incurred under this subsection shall be payable from the appropriation 'Uniforms and Equipment, Capitol Police.'"

Approved July 11, 1947.

[CHAPTER 222]

AN ACT

July 11, 1947
[S. 1316]
[Public Law 171]

To establish a procedure for facilitating the payment of certain Government checks, and for other purposes.

Payment of certain
Government checks,
etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, with the exception of checks issued on account of public-debt obligations and transactions regarding the administration of banking and currency laws, the amounts of all original and substitute checks drawn on the Treasurer of the United States, including those drawn by wholly owned and mixed-ownership Government corporations, or drawn by authorized officers of the United States on designated depositories, which have not been paid prior to the close of the fiscal year next following the fiscal year in which the checks were issued, shall be transferred from the account of the drawer or the account then available for the payment thereof to a special-deposit account or accounts on the books of the Treasurer of the United States.

(b) With the exception of checks issued on account of public-debt obligations and transactions regarding the administration of banking and currency laws, any original or any substitute checks heretofore or hereafter drawn on the Treasurer of the United States, including those drawn by wholly owned and mixed-ownership Government corporations, or drawn by authorized officers of the United States on designated depositories which have not been paid prior to the close of the fiscal