

"6. While enrolled in and pursuing a course under this part, such person, upon application to the Administrator, shall be paid a subsistence allowance of \$65 per month, if without a dependent or dependents, or \$90 per month, if he has a dependent or dependents, including regular holidays and leave not exceeding thirty days in a calendar year: Except, That while enrolled in and pursuing a course of full-time institutional training under this part, such person, upon application to the Administrator, shall be paid a subsistence allowance of \$75 per month, if without a dependent or dependents, or \$105 per month if he has one dependent, or \$120 per month if he has more than one dependent, including regular holidays and leave not exceeding thirty days in a calendar year. Such person attending a course on a part-time basis, and such person receiving compensation for productive labor whether performed as part of his apprentice or other training on the job at institutions, business or other establishments, or otherwise, shall be entitled to receive such lesser sums, if any, as subsistence or dependency allowances as may be determined by the Administrator."

57 Stat. 43.
33 U. S. C., Supp. I,
note foll. § 733.
Pub., p. 209.

SEC. 2. So much of paragraph 3 of part VII of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, as precedes the first proviso, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"3. While pursuing training prescribed herein, and for two months after his employability is determined, each veteran pursuing a course under this part, shall be paid a subsistence allowance of \$65 per month, if without a dependent or dependents, or \$90 per month, if he has a dependent or dependents: Except, That each veteran pursuing a full-time institutional course under this part shall be paid a subsistence allowance of \$75 per month, if without a dependent or dependents, or \$105 per month, if he has one dependent, or \$120 per month, if he has more than one dependent:"

Effective date.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the second calendar month next succeeding its enactment.

Approved February 14, 1948.

[CHAPTER 53]

AN ACT

February 18, 1948
[H. R. 3778]
[Public Law 412]

To amend section 30 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (U. S. C., title 2, sec. 25).

House of Represent-
atives.
Copies of oath of
office.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 30 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (U. S. C., title 2, sec. 25), be, and it is hereby, amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

The Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Eightieth and each succeeding Congress shall cause the oath of office to be printed, furnishing two copies to each Member and Delegate who has taken the oath of office in accordance with law, which shall be subscribed in person by the Member or Delegate, who shall thereupon deliver them to the Clerk, one to be filed in the records of the House of Representatives, and the other to be recorded in the Journal of the House and in the Congressional Record; and such signed copies, or certified copies thereof, or of either of such records thereof, shall be admissible in evidence in any court of the United States, and shall be held conclusive proof of the fact that the signer duly took the oath of office in accordance with law.

Members and Delegates of the House of Representatives of the Eightieth Congress may subscribe and deliver the two signed copies of the printed oath of office at their convenience, at any time before the expiration of the Eightieth Congress.

Approved February 18, 1948.

[CHAPTER 65]

AN ACT

To facilitate procurement of supplies and services by the Departments of the Army, the Navy and the Air Force, the Coast Guard, and the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, and for other purposes.

February 19, 1948
[H. R. 1366]
[Public Law 413]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947."

Armed Services Pro-
curement Act of 1947.

SEC. 2. (a) The provisions of this Act shall be applicable to all purchases and contracts for supplies or services made by the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, the Department of the Air Force, the United States Coast Guard, and the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (each being hereinafter called the agency), for the use of any such agency or otherwise, and to be paid for from appropriated funds.

(b) It is the declared policy of the Congress that a fair proportion of the total purchases and contracts for supplies and services for the Government shall be placed with small business concerns. Whenever it is proposed to make a contract or purchase in excess of \$10,000 by negotiation and without advertising, pursuant to the authority of paragraph (7) or (8) of section 2 (c) of this Act, suitable advance publicity, as determined by the agency head with due regard to the type of supplies involved and other relevant considerations, shall be given for a period of at least fifteen days, wherever practicable, as determined by the agency head.

Small business con-
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Advance publicity.

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(c) All purchases and contracts for supplies and services shall be made by advertising, as provided in section 3, except that such purchases and contracts may be negotiated by the agency head without advertising if—

Negotiation without
advertising.

(1) determined to be necessary in the public interest during the period of a national emergency declared by the President or by the Congress;

(2) the public exigency will not admit of the delay incident to advertising;

(3) the aggregate amount involved does not exceed \$1,000;

(4) for personal or professional services;

(5) for any service to be rendered by any university, college, or other educational institution;

(6) the supplies or services are to be procured and used outside the limits of the United States and its possessions;

(7) for medicines or medical supplies;

(8) for supplies purchased for authorized resale;

(9) for perishable subsistence supplies;

(10) for supplies or services for which it is impracticable to secure competition;

(11) the agency head determines that the purchase or contract is for experimental, developmental, or research work, or for the manufacture or furnishing of supplies for experimentation, development, research, or test: *Provided*, That beginning six months after the effective date of this Act and at the end of each six-month period thereafter, there shall be furnished to the Congress a report setting forth the name of each contractor with whom a contract has been entered into pursuant to this subsection (11) since the date of the last such report, the amount of the contract, and, with due consideration given to the national security, a description of the work required to be performed thereunder;

Report to Congress.

(12) for supplies or services as to which the agency head determines that the character, ingredients, or components thereof