

Cessation of payments.

each child under the age of eighteen years in an amount not exceeding \$25 per month: *Provided*, That such payments or any right thereto shall cease upon death or remarriage of the widow: *Provided further*, That any benefits to a child or children shall cease upon (1) attaining the age of eighteen years, (2) marriage, or (3) death: *And provided further*, That no widow, child, or children of any deceased member of the said Police Department or Fire Department resulting from any marriage contracted subsequent to the date of retirement of such member shall be entitled to any relief under the provisions of this Act."

39 Stat. 719.

Funeral expenses.

SEC. 2. The fifth paragraph of section 12 of the Act of September 1, 1916 (D. C. Code, 1940 edition, sec. 4-509), is amended to read as follows: "The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to pay from the said policemen and firemen's relief fund, District of Columbia, a sum not exceeding \$250 in any one case to defray the funeral expenses of any deceased member of the Police Department or the Fire Department of said District dying while in the service thereof."

Widows and children receiving relief.

D. C. Code §§ 4-501, 4-503, 4-506 to 4-510, 4-512 to 4-514.
Ante, p. 565.

SEC. 3. All widows and children of deceased members of the Police Department or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia receiving relief under the provisions of section 12 of the Act of Congress, approved September 1, 1916 (39 Stat. 718), as amended, shall be entitled to receive relief to the same extent and in the same manner as is provided by the fourth paragraph of said section as amended by the first section of this Act: *Provided*, That no relief shall be increased or allowed under the authority of this section for any period prior to the effective date of this Act: *Provided further*, That any child or children who had attained the age of sixteen years and whose benefits were terminated shall be entitled to receive relief as provided by the fourth paragraph of said section 12, as amended by the first section of this Act, until the attainment of eighteen years of age.

46 Stat. 840.
D. C. Code §§ 4-503, 4-504.

Effective date.

SEC. 4. Section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia", approved July 1, 1930 (39 Stat. 839), be, and the same hereby is, amended by striking out therefrom the figures "3½" and substituting in lieu thereof the figure "5".

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the second month following the date of approval of this Act.

Approved August 4, 1949.

[CHAPTER 401]

AN ACT

August 5, 1949
[H. R. 2417]
[Public Law 209]

To authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to operate and maintain a certain tract of land at Valparaiso, Florida, near Eglin Air Force Base, as a recreational facility.

Valparaiso, Fla.
Recreational facility.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Air Force, upon acceptance of title to the tract of land comprising the Valparaiso Golf Course of Valparaiso, Florida, near Eglin Air Force Base, for the Government of the United States, is hereby authorized to operate and maintain said tract of land as a recreational facility, in accordance with existing regulations governing the operation and maintenance of recreational facilities by the Government for military personnel.

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[CHAPTER 402]

AN ACT

To authorize the adjustment of the lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service, and for other purposes.

August 5, 1949
[H. R. 5238]
[Public Law 210]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Officer Personnel Act of 1947, as amended, is hereby further amended by—

(a) Amending subsection (o) of section 304 to read as follows:

“(o) Officers of the line or of any staff corps on active duty on the date of the establishment of lineal lists pursuant to this section, but not placed on any such list, shall not be eligible for selection for promotion pursuant to this title. Officers of the line and of the Staff Corps of the Regular Navy appointed thereto subsequent to the date of establishment of the lineal lists of line and staff corps officers as prescribed in subsections (a) and (i) of this section shall be placed on the appropriate lineal list. Officers of the line and Staff Corps of the Naval Reserve assigned to active duty subsequent to the date of establishment of the lineal lists as prescribed in subsections (a) and (i) of this section, shall be placed on the appropriate lineal list, and in each grade shall take precedence among themselves and with officers of the same grades of the Regular Navy in accordance with the dates of rank as stated in their commissions and such Reserve officers and Regular officers of the same grade who have the same date of rank shall take precedence among themselves as determined by the Secretary of the Navy: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to readjust the precedence of each Reserve officer heretofore or hereafter placed on the lineal lists in order to equalize opportunities for promotion with officers of the Regular Navy. Such Reserve officer may be appointed in the same or the next higher grade not above that of captain and his date of rank changed to conform with his adjusted lineal precedence. The authorized number of officers in each grade concerned may be temporarily exceeded by such appointments until the next succeeding annual computation prescribed by this title. Such officer shall be entitled to the pay and allowances of the higher grade to which so appointed from the date of his appointment.”

(b) Adding the following new subsection to section 304:

“(s) For three years after the date of approval of this subsection the Secretary of the Navy shall from time to time but not to exceed twice annually convene boards composed of officers of the line and of each staff corps, the first such board to be convened within sixty days after the date of approval of this subsection, to recommend the reassignment of running mates to officers of the Staff Corps of the Navy in order to adjust precedence and equalize opportunities for promotion of staff corps officers with line officers. The Secretary of the Navy shall, in accordance with the approved recommendations of such boards, assign running mates and adjust the lineal positions of such Staff Corps officers in their present grades and in such higher grades to which promoted pursuant to this subsection. Should the running mate so assigned a Staff Corps officer have attained a higher grade than the Staff Corps officer, or have been recommended for temporary promotion to such higher grade in the approved report of a selection board, the Staff Corps officer shall be eligible for consideration for selection for temporary promotion to the next higher grade. A board, as prescribed by section 305 of this title, to consider any such Staff Corps officer for recommendation for temporary promotion

Officer Personnel Act of 1947, amendments.
61 Stat. 840.
34 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 211a (o).
Noneligibility for promotion.

Appointment subsequent to establishment of lineal list, etc.

Readjustment of precedence of Reserve officers.

61 Stat. 833.
34 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 211a.
Reassignment of running mates.

Adjustment of lineal positions.

Temporary promotion.

61 Stat. 841.
34 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 306.