

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, December 31, 1919.

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[S. 3284.]  
[Public, No. 109.]

CHAP. 33.—An Act To provide for the national welfare by continuing the United States Sugar Equalization Board until December 31, 1920, and for other purposes.

Sugar Equalization Board.  
Corporation continued for one year.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President is authorized to continue during the year ending December 31, 1920, the United States Sugar Equalization Board (Incorporated), a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and to vote or use the stock in such corporation held by him for the benefit of the United States, or otherwise exercise his control over the corporation and its directors, in such a manner as to authorize and require them to adopt and carry out until December 31, 1920, plans and methods of securing, if found necessary for the public good, an adequate supply and an equitable distribution of sugar at a fair and reasonable price to the people of the United States. Sections 5 and 10 of the Act entitled "An Act to further provide for the national security and defense by encouraging the production, conserving the supply, and controlling the distribution of food products and fuel," approved August 10, 1917, as far as the same relates to raw or refined sugar, syrups, or molasses, are hereby continued in full force and effect until December 31, 1920, notwithstanding the provisions of section 24 of said Act: *Provided*, That the provisions of this Act shall expire as to the domestic product June 30, 1920: *And provided further*, That the zone system of sale and distribution of sugars heretofore established by the said United States Sugar Equalization Board shall be abolished and shall not be reestablished or maintained, and that sugars shall be permitted to be sold and to circulate freely in every portion of the United States. The termination of this Act shall not affect any act done, or any right or obligation accruing or accrued, or any suit or proceeding had or commenced in any civil case before the said termination pursuant to this Act; but all rights and liabilities under this Act arising before its termination shall continue and may be enforced in the same manner as if the Act had not terminated. Any offense committed and all penalties, forfeitures, or liabilities incurred prior to such termination may be prosecuted or punished in the same manner and with the same effect as if this Act had not been terminated.

Sugar and molasses. Licensing and requisitioning continued until December 31, 1920.  
Vol. 40, pp. 277, 279.

Vol. 40, p. 283.  
*Provisos.*  
Domestic product.  
Termination of zone system of sale, etc.

Enforcement of accrued rights, liabilities, etc., continued.

Prosecution of prior offenses.

Approved, December 31, 1919.

January 10, 1920.  
[H. J. Res. 263.]  
Pub. Res., No. 28.]

CHAP. 37.—Joint Resolution Extending the time for filing final report of the Joint Commission on Reclassification of Salaries, created by section 9, Public Numbered 314, Sixty-fifth Congress, approved March 1, 1919, to a date not later than March 12, 1920.

Joint Commission on Reclassification of Salaries.  
Time for final report extended.  
Vol. 40, p. 1269, amended.  
*Proviso.*  
Condition.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the time for filing of the final report to Congress of the Joint Commission on Reclassification of Salaries, created by section 9, Public Numbered 314, Sixty-fifth Congress, approved March 1, 1919, be, and the same is hereby, extended to a date not later than March 12, 1920: *Provided*, That the work of completing the preparation of said final report and the printing thereof shall be accomplished within the limits of the appropriations heretofore made.

Approved, January 10, 1920.

**CHAP. 38.**—An Act To amend section 5182, Revised Statutes of the United States.

January 13, 1920.  
[S. 2902.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 5182, Revised Statutes of the United States, be amended to read as follows:

[Public, No. 110.]  
National banks.

“SEC. 5182. Any association receiving circulating notes under this title may, if its promise to pay such notes on demand is expressed thereon attested by the written or engraved signatures of the president or vice president and the cashier thereof in such manner as to make them obligatory promissory notes payable on demand at its place of business, issue, and circulate the same as money. Such written or engraved signatures of the president or vice president and the cashier of such association may be attached to such notes either before or after the receipt of such notes by such association. And such notes shall be received at par in all parts of the United States in payment of taxes, excises, public lands, and all other dues to the United States, except duties on imports; and also for all salaries and other debts and demands owing by the United States to individuals, corporations, and associations within the United States, except interest on the public debt, and in redemption of the national currency.”

Issue of circulating promissory notes by R. S., sec. 5182, p. 1002, amended. Signatures may be written or engraved.

Legal tender except for customs duties and interest on public debt.

Approved, January 13, 1920.

**CHAP. 39.**—An Act For the retirement of public-school teachers in the District of Columbia.

January 15, 1920.  
[H. R. 5818.]  
[Public, No. 111.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That within sixty days after the passage of this Act, there shall be deducted and withheld from the basic salary of every teacher in the public schools of the District of Columbia an amount computed to the nearest tenth of a dollar that will be sufficient, with interest thereon at 4 per centum per annum, compounded annually, to purchase, under the provisions of this Act, an annuity equal to 1 per centum of his average annual basic salary received since the passage of Public Act Numbered 254, approved June 20, 1906, for each year of his whole term of service, payable monthly throughout life, for every such teacher who shall be retired, as herein provided.

Public Schools, District of Columbia. Deduction from pay of teachers to provide annuity on retirement.

Vol. 34, p. 316.

The deductions herein provided for shall be based on such annuity table as the Secretary of the Treasury shall direct, and shall be varied yearly to correspond to any change in the basic salary of the teacher: *Provided, however,* That said deductions shall in no case exceed 8 per centum of his annual basic salary: *And provided further,* That when the basic salary exceeds \$1,500 the deductions shall be made as on a basic salary of \$1,500.

Basis of deductions.

*Provisos.* Maximum. Basic salary limited.

The Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be filed with the Board of Education on September 10 of each year a certificate showing the amount of deduction to be made from the salary of each teacher during the year, said deduction to be made in equal amounts, one to be deducted for each school month. A similar certificate shall be filed not later than the 15th day of each calendar month to cover cases of new entrants. No deduction shall be made from less than an entire month's salary.

Certificate of deduction for the year.

SEC. 2. That the amount so deducted and withheld from the basic salary of every teacher shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, and shall be credited, together with interest at 4 per centum per annum, compounded annually, to an individual account of the teacher from whose salary the deduction is made. The fund thus created shall be held and invested by the Secretary of the Treasury until paid out as hereinafter provided, and the income derived

Deposit in the Treasury to credit of teacher.

Investment of fund.