

[CHAPTER 37.]

AN ACT

To repeal Federal liquor prohibition laws to the extent they are in force in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes.

March 2, 1934.
[H. R. 6574.]
[Public, No. 108.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes", approved March 2, 1917, as makes it unlawful to import, manufacture, sell or give away, or to expose for sale or gift any intoxicating drink, is repealed.

Prohibition laws in force in Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.
Provisions in organic Act of Puerto Rico repealed.
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SEC. 2. Title II of the National Prohibition Act, as amended and supplemented, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide revenue by the taxation of certain nonintoxicating liquors, and for other purposes", approved March 22, 1933, except such provisions of such title and of such Act of March 22, 1933, as are in force and effect in the States, are repealed to the extent such title and such Act of March 22, 1933, are in force and effect in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands of the United States.

Repeal of provisions in National Prohibition Act, etc., affecting Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.
Vol. 41, p. 307; Vol. 42, p. 233.
Aule, p. 16.
U.S.C., p. 853.

SEC. 3. Section 13 of the Revised Statutes shall not apply with respect to any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred under any provision repealed by this Act.

Liability clause inapplicable,
R.S., sec. 13, p 2;
U.S.C., p 2

SEC. 4. (a) There is hereby established for Puerto Rico a board, to be known as the "Model Housing Board" (hereinafter referred to as the "Board"), to be composed of three members to be appointed by the Governor of Puerto Rico. The persons appointed as members of the Board shall serve without compensation, and the term of membership for each such member shall be five years. One of the members shall be appointed as chairman of the Board.

Model Housing Board for Puerto Rico established.

(b) It shall be the duty of the Board to design and construct in Puerto Rico houses of several types, which houses shall be models of sanitation, health, convenience, and comfort; but not more than eight such houses shall be built in any senatorial district of Puerto Rico in any one year. For the purpose of such construction the Board shall have power to acquire such plots of land in Puerto Rico as may be necessary.

Membership, tenure, etc.

(c) All houses designed and constructed by the Board under this section shall be sold by the Board at such prices, and under such terms and conditions, as it may determine; and all funds derived from the sale of such houses shall be covered into the island treasury to the account of the model housing fund established by this section.

Construction authorized.

Acquisition of sites.

(d) To carry out the provisions of this section, there shall be paid annually out of the revenues of Puerto Rico resulting from taxes on intoxicating liquors the sum of \$30,000, which shall constitute a fund to be known as the "model housing fund." All money covered into such fund shall constitute a revolving fund for the administration of the provisions of this section, and all expenditures out of such fund shall be allowed and paid upon the presentation of itemized vouchers therefor signed by the chairman of the Board.

Sale of houses; terms and conditions.

Credit of receipts.

Revolving fund created, out of liquor revenues.

Expenditures.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on the expiration of ten days after the date of its enactment.

Effective date.

Approved, March 2, 1934.

[CHAPTER 38.]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1935, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1935, namely:

Secretary's office.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES

Secretary, Assistants, and office personnel.

Provisos.
Salaries restricted to average rates under Classification Acts.

Vol. 42, p. 1488; Vol. 45, p. 776; Vol. 46, p. 1003.

U.S.C., p. 65; Supp. VII, p. 34.

Restriction not applicable to clerical-mechanical service.

No reduction in fixed salaries.

Vol. 42, p. 1490; U.S.C., p. 66.

Transfer without reduction.

Payments, under higher rates permitted.

If only one position in a grade.

Salaries: For the Secretary of the Interior, First Assistant Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and other personal services in the District of Columbia, \$350,685: *Provided*, That in expending appropriations or portions of appropriations, contained in this Act, for the payment for personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, with the exception of the First Assistant Secretary and the Assistant Secretary the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade in any bureau, office, or other appropriation unit shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act, as amended: *Provided*, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service, or (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation was fixed, as of July 1, 1924, in accordance with the rules of section 6 of such Act, (3) to require the reduction in salary of any person who is transferred from one position to another position in the same or different grade in the same or a different bureau, office, or other appropriation unit, (4) to prevent the payment of a salary under any grade at a rate higher than the maximum rate of the grade when such higher rate is permitted by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and is specifically authorized by other law, or (5) to reduce the compensation of any person in a grade in which only one position is allocated.

Solicitor's office.

OFFICE OF SOLICITOR

Office personnel

For personal services in the District of Columbia and in the field, \$256,140.

Division of Investigations.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATIONS

Protecting timber and public lands.

For investigating official matters under the control of the Department of the Interior; for protecting timber on the public lands, and for the more efficient execution of the law and rules relating to the cutting thereof; for protecting public lands from illegal and fraudulent entry or appropriation; for adjusting claims for swamp lands and indemnity for swamp lands; and for traveling expenses of agents and others employed hereunder, \$362,560, including not exceeding \$20,000 for personal services in the District of Columbia, and not exceeding \$33,000 for the purchase, exchange, operation, and maintenance of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles and motor boats for the use of agents and others employed in the field service.

Swamp lands.

Traveling expenses.

Vehicles.