

[CHAPTER 414]

AN ACT

June 16, 1942
[S. 2285]
[Public Law 608]

Navy.
Retirement, with
advanced rank, of cer-
tain officers.

55 Stat. 598.
34 U. S. C., Supp.
I, § 212a.

Provisos.
No increase in re-
tired pay.
Officers heretofore
retired.

Continuance of des-
ignated officer on re-
tired list; rank.

To provide for the retirement, with advanced rank, of certain officers of the Navy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any officer of the Navy who may be retired while serving as the commander of a fleet or subdivision thereof in the rank of admiral or vice admiral, or who has served or shall have served one year or more as such commander, may, if such rank was conferred pursuant to the provisions of section 18 of the Act of May 22, 1917 (40 Stat. 89; U. S. C., title 34, sec. 212), or the Act of July 17, 1941 (Public Law Numbered 180, Seventy-seventh Congress), in the discretion of the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, when retired, be placed on the retired list with the highest grade or rank held by him while on the active list: *Provided,* That no increase in retired pay shall accrue as the result of such advanced rank on the retired list: *Provided further,* That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, may in his discretion extend the privilege herein granted to such officers as have heretofore been retired and who satisfy the foregoing conditions.

SEC. 2. The President is further authorized, without reference to the power conferred upon him by this Act, to continue with the rank of admiral on the retired list the officer who, as commander in chief of the Asiatic Fleet, rendered conspicuous and distinguished service in operations against the enemy in the Far East from December 7, 1941, until February 14, 1942.

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AN ACT

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Publication of in-
ventions.
54 Stat. 711.
35 U. S. C. § 42 note.

Effective date and
duration.
55 Stat. 657.
35 U. S. C., Supp. I,
§§ 42a-42f.

To amend the Act relating to preventing the publication of inventions in the national interest, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1940 (Public, Numbered 700, Seventy-sixth Congress, third session, ch. 501), be amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect on approval and, together with the provisions of the Act of August 21, 1941 (Public Law 239, Seventy-seventh Congress, first session, ch. 393), shall remain in force during the time when the United States is at war."

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[CHAPTER 416]

JOINT RESOLUTION

June 16, 1942
[S. J. Res. 130]
[Public Law 610]

Merchant marine.
Extension of certain
emergency laws.

To extend certain emergency laws relating to the merchant marine, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of each of the following Acts and resolutions, and all authority thereunder, are hereby continued in full force and effect until six months after the termination of the present war shall have been proclaimed or, in the case of any one or more of such Acts and resolutions, until such earlier time as the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President may designate: Public Resolution Numbered 74, Seventy-sixth Congress, approved May 14, 1940; Public Resolution Numbered 82, Seventy-sixth Congress, approved June 11, 1940; Public, Num-

54 Stat. 216.

54 Stat. 306.