

34 U. S. C., Supp.
II, § 350e.

Commodore.

Approval.

55 Stat. 605,
34 U. S. C., Supp.
II, § 350j (b).

Coast Guard.

amended by the Act approved June 30, 1942 (56 Stat. 465; 34 U. S. C. 350), be, and it is hereby, amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 6. The rank and grade of commodore are hereby established for the purposes of this Act: *Provided*, That all officers appointed to the rank of commodore pursuant to the authority of this Act, while serving in such rank, shall be entitled to the pay and allowances provided for an officer of the sixth pay period. Temporary appointments under the authority of this Act shall, if they are to a grade above that of captain in the Navy or colonel in the Marine Corps, be made by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; if to other ranks or grades, they shall be made by the President alone.”

SEC. 2. Paragraph (b) of section 11 of the aforesaid Act is hereby amended by striking out the proviso thereto, so that said paragraph shall read as follows:

“(b) Personnel of the Coast Guard in relationship to the Coast Guard in the same manner and to the same extent as they apply to personnel of the Navy in relationship to the Navy.”

Approved April 9, 1943.

[CHAPTER 39]

AN ACT

April 9, 1943
[S. 853]
[Public Law 27]

To amend the Act of March 3, 1909, as amended by the Act of January 23, 1942, providing for the sale of naval stores, in order to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to permit the sale of naval stores in the continental United States during the war and six months thereafter to civilian officers and employees of the United States, and to other persons at stations where purchase from private agencies is found to be impracticable.

Navy, Marine
Corps, and Coast
Guard.
Procurement and
sale of stores.

34 U. S. C., Supp.
II, § 533.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That such part of the Act approved March 3, 1909 (35 Stat. 753), as was amended by the Act approved January 23, 1942, entitled “An Act to amend the Act entitled ‘An Act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910, and for other purposes’, approved March 3, 1909, as amended, so as to extend commissary privileges to such other persons as may be specifically authorized by the Secretary of the Navy” (56 Stat. 13; 34 U. S. C. 533), is hereby amended to read as follows: “That such stores as the Secretary of the Navy may designate may be procured and sold to officers and enlisted men of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, and to the widows of such officers and enlisted men. Such designated stores may also be procured and sold to civilian officers and employees of the United States, and to such other persons as may be specifically authorized by the Secretary of the Navy—

“(1) At naval stations and post exchanges beyond the continental United States or in Alaska; and

“(2) At naval stations and post exchanges within the continental United States, in time of war and not exceeding six months thereafter, when the Secretary of the Navy finds that it is impracticable for the said civilian officers and employees and other persons to procure such stores from private agencies without impairing the efficient operation of the stations. The Secretary of the Navy may prescribe regulations governing sales under this Act.”

Approved April 9, 1943.

[CHAPTER 40]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to pay the costs of transportation of certain civilian employees, and for other purposes.

April 9, 1943
[H. R. 1691]
[Public Law 28]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to pay the costs of transportation of civilian employees to places of duty in the Naval Establishment outside the continental United States, or in Alaska, and return, upon relief therefrom, to the places at which they were engaged or from which they were transferred for such duty: *Provided,* That nothing herein shall be construed as authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to transfer such employees from one station to another without their consent.

Naval Establishment.
Transportation costs of civilian employees.

Consent to transfers.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this Act shall remain in force during the present war and until six months thereafter, or until such earlier time as the President by proclamation or the Congress by concurrent resolution may designate.

Duration of Act.

Approved April 9, 1943.

[CHAPTER 41]

AN ACT

To effectuate the intent of the Congress as expressed in section 1, paragraph (k) of Public Law 846, Seventy-seventh Congress, approved December 24, 1942, by adding to the list of institutions named in said paragraph the name of the American Tree Association, an institution similar to the institutions so named.

April 9, 1943
[H. R. 2070]
[Public Law 29]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the American Tree Association being an institution similar to the institutions named in section 1, paragraph (k), of the Act entitled "An Act to define the real property exempt from taxation in the District of Columbia", approved December 24, 1942, and therefore an institution the real property of which, located in the District of Columbia, may in accordance with such section be exempted from taxation by a special Act of Congress, such section 1, paragraph (k), is amended by inserting therein, after the words "the American Forestry Association", a comma and the words "the American Tree Association".

American Tree Association.
Exemption of buildings from D. C. tax.

56 Stat. 1090.
D. C. Code, Supp.
II, § 47-801a (k).

Effective date.

SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act shall take effect as of December 24, 1942.

Approved April 9, 1943.

[CHAPTER 44]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of War to convey to the people of Puerto Rico certain real estate now under the jurisdiction of the United States.

April 10, 1943
[S. 222]
[Public Law 30]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to convey to the people of Puerto Rico a strip of land containing one and twenty-six one-hundredths acres, more or less, located at Ward Puerta de Tierra of the municipality of San Juan, Puerto Rico, adjoining Salvador Brau Boulevard on the north, and comprising a portion of the San Juan Military Reservation, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Puerto Rico.
Conveyance of land.

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