

## [CHAPTER 193]

## AN ACT

July 1, 1947  
[H. R. 1997]  
[Public Law 154]

To provide seniority benefits for certain officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force and of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia who are veterans of World War II and lost opportunity for promotion by reason of their service in the armed forces of the United States.

District of Columbia.  
Seniority rights for certain policemen and firemen.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That (a) any officer or member of the Metropolitan Police force or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, who served in the armed forces of the United States during the period beginning May 1, 1940, and ending December 31, 1946, and (1) whose name appeared during such service (as a result of a regular or reopened competitive examination for promotion) on any civil-service register with respect to such force or department for promotion to a higher rank or grade, or (2) whose name appeared on such a register as a result of a reopened examination taken subsequent to his release, shall, for the purpose of determining his seniority rights and service in such rank or grade, be held to have been promoted to such rank or grade as of the earliest date on which an eligible standing lower on the same promotion register received a promotion either permanently or temporarily to such rank or grade.

Reenlistment.

(b) No officer or member of the Metropolitan Police force or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia shall be entitled to the benefits of this section who has reenlisted after June 1, 1945, in the Regular Military Establishment or after February 1, 1945, in the Regular Naval Establishment.

Rank and pay, restrictions.

SEC. 2. No officer or member of the Metropolitan Police force or of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia shall, by reason of the enactment of this Act, be (1) reduced in rank or grade, or (2) entitled to any compensation for any period prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

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## [CHAPTER 194]

## AN ACT

July 1, 1947  
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[Public Law 155]

To correct an error in section 342 (b) (8) of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended.

Nationality Act of 1940, amendment.  
54 Stat. 1161; 58 Stat. 755.  
8 U. S. C. § 742 (b) (8).  
Fees for furnishing copies of records.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 342 (b) (8) of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended (58 Stat. 745; U. S. C., Supp. 742 (b) (8)), is amended to read as follows:

“(8) Reasonable fees, with the approval of the Attorney General, in cases where such fees have not been established by law, to cover the cost of furnishing copies, whether certified or uncertified, of any part of the records, or information from the records, of the Service. Such fees shall not exceed a maximum of 25 cents per folio, with a minimum fee of 50 cents for any one such service, in addition to a fee of \$1 for any official certification furnished under seal. No such fee shall be required from officers or agencies of the United States or of any State or any subdivision thereof, for such copies or information furnished for official use in connection with the official duties of such officers or agencies.”

Copies furnished without charge.

Approved July 1, 1947.