

50 Stat. 526.  
7 U. S. C. § 1012.

of this Act shall be made to the Governor of the Territory or to the fiscal agent of such subdivision."

16 U. S. C. § 590q  
(a).

SEC. 2. Subsection (a) of section 17 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (49 Stat. 1151), is amended to read as follows: "This Act shall apply to the United States, the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii, and the possessions of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and, as used in this Act, the term 'State' includes Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands."

SEC. 3. All Acts or parts of Acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved July 26, 1947.

[CHAPTER 340]

AN ACT

July 26, 1947  
[S. 753]  
[Public Law 250]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to defer the collection of certain irrigation construction charges against lands under the Flathead Indian irrigation project.

Flathead Indian ir-  
rigation project.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, notwithstanding any provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and adjust irrigation charges on irrigation lands within projects on Indian reservations, and for other purposes", approved June 22, 1936 (49 Stat. 1803), the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to defer the collection of irrigation construction charges on the Flathead Indian irrigation project until January 1, 1949.

Approved July 26, 1947.

[CHAPTER 341]

JOINT RESOLUTION

July 26, 1947  
[H. J. Res. 250]  
[Public Law 251]

To provide for the appointment of Robert V. Fleming as a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

Board of Regents of  
Smithsonian Institu-  
tion.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress, caused by the resignation of Frederic A. Delano, be filled by the appointment of Robert V. Fleming, a citizen of the District of Columbia, for the statutory term of six years.

Approved July 26, 1947.

[CHAPTER 342]

AN ACT

July 26, 1947  
[H. R. 3864]  
[Public Law 252]

To amend the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act with respect to contribution rates after termination of military service.

57 Stat. 106.  
D. C. Code, Supp.  
V, § 46-303 (c) (4).

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 3 (c) (4) of the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"(iv) CONTRIBUTION RATES AFTER TERMINATION OF MILITARY SERVICE.—When the Board finds that the continuity of an employer's employment experience has been interrupted solely by reason of one or more of the owners, officers, managers, partners, or majority stockholders of such employer's employing enterprise having served in the armed forces of the United States of America or any of its allies during a time of war, such employer's employment experience shall be deemed to have been continuous throughout the period that such

individual or individuals so served in such armed forces, including the period up to the time it again resumes the status of an employer liable for contributions under this Act, provided it resumes such status within two years from the date of discharge of such individual or individuals or from the date of the termination of such war, whichever date is the earlier. For the purposes of this paragraph (iv), in determining an employer's contribution rate his average annual pay roll shall be the average of his last three annual pay rolls."

SEC. 2. Section 3 (a) (9) (b) of the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(b) The term 'average annual pay roll', except for the purposes of paragraph (4) (iv) of this subsection, means the average of the annual pay rolls of any employer for the three consecutive twelve-month periods ending ninety days prior to the computation date;"

SEC. 3. The amendments made by this Act shall be effective with respect to employment on or after July 1, 1943. The amount of any contributions or interest thereon paid to the Board by any employer in excess of the amount such employer would have been required to pay if the amendments made by this Act had been in effect on and after July 1, 1943, shall, for the purposes of section 4 (i) of the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act, be subject to adjustment against subsequent contributions by him. Notwithstanding the period of limitation prescribed in such section 4 (i), the employing unit which paid such excess amount of contributions or interest thereon may make application under such section 4 (i) within one year after the date of the enactment of this Act for an adjustment thereof.

Approved July 26, 1947.

[CHAPTER 343]

#### AN ACT

To promote the national security by providing for a Secretary of Defense; for a National Military Establishment; for a Department of the Army, a Department of the Navy, and a Department of the Air Force; and for the coordination of the activities of the National Military Establishment with other departments and agencies of the Government concerned with the national security.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SHORT TITLE

That this Act may be cited as the "National Security Act of 1947".

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D. C. Code, Supp.  
V, § 46-304(i).  
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July 26, 1947

[S. 758]

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