

SEC. 2. That, if in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior, the aforesaid educational facilities cannot be provided adequately and payment made therefor on a pro rata basis, as prescribed in section 1 of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, may enter into cooperative agreements with States or local agencies for (a) the operation of school facilities, (b) for the construction and expansion of local facilities at Federal expense, and (c) for contribution by the Federal Government, on an equitable basis satisfactory to the Secretary, to cover the increased cost to local agencies for providing the educational services required for the purposes of this Act.

Cooperative agreements with States, etc.

SEC. 3. For the purposes of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to maintain hereafter in a special fund a sufficient portion of the park revenues, based upon estimates to be submitted by the Secretary of the Interior, and to expend the same upon certification by the Secretary of the Interior.

Special fund.

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[CHAPTER 418]

AN ACT

To establish a District of Columbia Armory Board, and for other purposes.

June 4, 1948
[H. R. 5874]
[Public Law 606]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it is hereby declared to be the policy of the Congress that the District of Columbia National Guard Armory shall be maintained and operated primarily to provide facilities for the quartering and training of the Militia of the District of Columbia, and, secondarily, to provide suitable facilities for major athletic events, conventions, concerts, and such other activities as may be in the interest of the District of Columbia, and that such armory shall be operated as nearly as practicable on a self-supporting basis.

D. C. Armory Board.

SEC. 2. There is hereby established an Armory Board, to be composed of the President of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, the Commanding General of the District of Columbia Militia, and a third person not employed by the Federal or District Governments who shall be appointed by the Chairmen of the District of Columbia Committees of the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives for a term of three years. Each member of the Armory Board is authorized to appoint, and in his discretion to withdraw the appointment of, an alternate and to delegate to such alternate authority to act in his place and stead in respect of the powers granted by this Act. The members of said Board and their alternates shall serve without additional compensation. Said Armory Board shall elect a chairman from among its members.

Establishment; composition.

Alternates.

SEC. 3. For the purposes of this Act, said Armory Board is vested with the control of and jurisdiction over the District of Columbia National Guard Armory. For the purposes of maintenance and repair the armory shall be under the control and jurisdiction of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

Jurisdiction.

SEC. 4. Upon the request of the Armory Board the Secretary of the Interior shall provide for the use of said Board, under such arrangements for improvement, lighting and maintenance as may be agreed upon between the Secretary of the Interior and said Board, such areas of land adjacent to the Armory and under the control of the Secretary of the Interior as said Board deems adequate for motor vehicle parking purposes.

Parking areas.

SEC. 5. The Armory Board shall set aside for the exclusive use of the militia of the District of Columbia such parts of the headquarters and regimental buildings and basement of the drill hall, and such of

Use of armory by militia.

the storage rooms contiguous to the drill hall as shown upon drawing A-3, first-floor plan, approved by the Commissioners April 19, 1940, as said Armory Board may from time to time find are necessary for the use of the militia. The parts of the armory so set aside for the use of the militia shall be under the control and jurisdiction of the commanding general of the militia for all purposes except maintenance and repair of the armory. The drill hall and those parts of the armory not set aside for the exclusive use of the militia shall be available to the militia under schedules for joint use made by the Armory Board so as to carry out the purposes and intent of this Act.

SEC. 6. In order to carry out the secondary purposes of this Act the Armory Board is hereby authorized, without regard to any other provisions of law—

(a) to determine all questions concerning the use of said armory for the secondary purposes of this Act;

(b) to enter into contracts and agreements with District of Columbia and Federal departments, bureaus, establishments, and offices and the provisions of the Act of March 4, 1915, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, Supp. V, title 31, sec. 686), are hereby made applicable to such contracts;

(c) to acquire by purchase or lease equipment, appliances, facilities, and property of any kind necessary or desirable to carry out the secondary purposes of this Act, and to sell or dispose of any such property so acquired by said Board when in its judgment it shall be advantageous to do so: *Provided*, That no contract for more than \$3,000 shall be entered into for this purpose without competitive bidding;

(d) to erect structures or installations in all of such parts of the armory as are not required exclusively for military purposes, and to make such structural and other changes in any such structures as it may deem necessary or desirable for carrying out the secondary purposes of this Act: *Provided*, That nothing in this Act shall authorize or permit the erection of any structure which in the opinion of the Commanding General of the District of Columbia Militia will lessen the availability of the armory for military purposes;

(e) to prepare, maintain, light, and operate motor-vehicle parking lots on such land as is provided for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior under the terms of section 4 of this Act;

(f) to operate or contract for the operation of, such concessions, including the checking of clothing and the sale of non-alcoholic beverages and food, as the said Board may deem appropriate to the purposes for which the armory may be leased: *Provided*, That the said Board may at its discretion, and with the approval of the Commanding General of the District of Columbia Militia, grant the concession for nonalcoholic beverages and food to the canteen of the District of Columbia Militia, whenever in the opinion of said Board such action shall be for the public interest;

(g) to furnish such services to renters, lessees, and other occupants of the armory as in its judgment are necessary or suitable for carrying out the secondary purposes of this Act;

(h) to rent or lease from time to time, for any of the secondary purposes of this Act, all or any part or parts of the armory not set aside for the exclusive use of the Militia of the District of Columbia in compliance with section 5 of this Act, including any or all structures, equipment, or facilities of the armory, at such rental values as the Armory Board shall determine to be fair with respect to the interests of the District of Columbia, and for such

38 Stat. 1084.
31 U. S. C. § 686.

Acquisition of
equipment, etc.

Restriction.

Installations, etc.

Ante, p. 339.

Concessions.

Rent, etc., of
armory.

Ante, p. 339.

periods of time as the Armory Board may determine, subject to cancellation when the public interest requires: *Provided*, That every lease or rental agreement which includes therein any period of time not covered by the schedules furnished under the provisions of section 5 of this Act shall be binding and effective only when the Commanding General of the District of Columbia Militia has endorsed his approval thereon in writing;

(i) to carry public liability insurance protecting the interests of the District of Columbia, the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, the District of Columbia Militia, the Commanding General of the District of Columbia Militia, the Armory Board, and the members, officers, and employees thereof; and to require tenants or lessees of the armory to carry public-liability insurance protecting the interests of such tenants or lessees;

(j) to incur obligations not in excess of \$50,000 at any one time in furtherance of the secondary purposes of this Act, and not in excess of \$10,000 above the unobligated excess in the Armory Board Working Capital Fund; and

(k) to accept the gratis services of such persons as may volunteer to aid in the conduct of its activities.

SEC. 7. Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed as a limitation upon the operation of a canteen in the said armory for the use and benefit of the District of Columbia Militia, and any funds derived from the operation of such canteen shall inure to the benefit of the said District of Columbia Militia.

SEC. 8. There is hereby created an Armory Board working capital fund in the amount of \$50,000, and there shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the said Armory Board working capital fund all receipts derived from the exercise by the Armory Board of the powers granted by this Act. Said Armory Board working capital fund, including all receipts credited thereto, shall be used as a permanent revolving fund for all expenses incurred by the Armory Board in the exercise of the powers granted by this Act, including personal services. There shall also be transferred to said Armory Board working capital fund all revenues derived from rentals of the District of Columbia National Guard Armory under contracts made between July 1, 1947, and the date of enactment of this Act, except revenues resulting from the operation of concessions, and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to transfer to the credit of the Armory Board working capital fund authorized by this Act funds resulting from rental of the District of Columbia National Guard Armory received by him and held in escrow pending enactment of legislation. As soon as practicable after the close of each fiscal year, after provision has been made for payment of all lawful obligations then incurred, all sums in excess of \$50,000 in said Armory Board working capital fund shall be transferred to the general revenues of the District of Columbia. Expenditures from such fund may be made only upon vouchers which have been certified by said Armory Board and which have been approved before payment by the Auditor of the District of Columbia, and shall be disbursed in the same manner as other District of Columbia funds are disbursed: *Provided*, That the Disbursing Officer of the District of Columbia is authorized to advance to the Armory Board, upon requisitions previously approved by the Auditor of the District of Columbia sums of money not to exceed \$1,000 at any one time, to be used for office and sundry expenses of the Armory Board. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated annually such sum as may be required to supply any deficiency in the Armory Board working capital fund. Revenues resulting from the operation of concessions within the District of Columbia National Guard Armory under contracts made between July 1, 1947, and the date of enactment of this

Liability insurance.

Operation of canteen.

Working capital fund.

Transfer of funds.

Expenditures.

Advance of funds.

Appropriation authorized.

Transfer of funds.

Act which have been held by the District of Columbia National Guard pending enactment of legislation are hereby transferred to the canteen fund of the District of Columbia National Guard.

Manager.

42 Stat. 1488.
5 U. S. C. §§ 661-674.

Ante, p. 340.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 9. The Armory Board is authorized to employ and fix the compensation and term of a manager and such personnel as may be necessary in connection with the operation of the armory for the secondary purposes of this Act without regard to the provisions of the civil-service laws and Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and without regard to any prohibition against double salaries contained in any other law. Under the direction of the Board and with written authorization signed by the members thereof, said manager may exercise such of the powers vested in the Board by section 6 of this Act as the Board shall determine.

SEC. 10. The Armory Board shall file with the Congress in January of each year a financial statement certified as to accuracy by the Auditor of the District of Columbia, a report of the activities and business at the armory during the preceding fiscal year, and recommendations to the Congress as to the future control and use of the armory.

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[CHAPTER 419]

AN ACT

June 4, 1948
[H. R. 6659]
[Public Law 606]

To continue for a temporary period certain powers, authority, and discretion conferred on the President by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947, and for other purposes.

Second War Powers
Act, 1942, amendment.

61 Stat. 322.
50 U. S. C., Supp. I,
app. § 645 (b).

Ante, p. 58.

Repeal.

Nitrogenous ferti-
lizer materials, etc.

61 Stat. 323.
50 U. S. C., Supp. I,
app. § 645 (c).
Ante, p. 58.

Effective date.

56 Stat. 177.
50 U. S. C. app.
§ 633; Supp. I, § 633
note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (b) of section 1501 of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947 (Public Law 188, Eightieth Congress), and as further amended by the Act of February 28, 1948 (Public Law 427, Eightieth Congress), is hereby amended by striking out "May 31, 1948" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1949". Subsection (b) (1) (C) of such section 1501 is hereby repealed. Subsection (b) (1) (E) of such section 1501 is hereby amended by inserting before the semicolon at the end thereof a comma and the following: "and nitrogenous compounds (including anhydrous ammonia), in any form, necessary for the manufacture and delivery of the nitrogenous fertilizer materials required for such export: *Provided, however*, That 50 per centum of the export requirements of nitrogenous fertilizer materials to nonoccupied areas shall be supplied out of nitrogenous fertilizer materials or nitrogenous compounds (including anhydrous ammonia) produced in plants operated by or for the Department of the Army, and notwithstanding any other provision of law the Department of the Army is authorized to produce and sell such nitrogenous fertilizer materials and nitrogenous compounds (including anhydrous ammonia) to fill such 50 per centum of such export requirements". Subsection (c) of such section 1501 is hereby amended by striking out "May 31, 1948" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1949".

SEC. 2. The provisions of this Act shall take effect as of the close of May 31, 1948, and all regulations, orders, directives, directions, requirements, and delegations issued under title III of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended, which were in effect on May 31, 1948, shall be in effect in the same manner and to the same extent as if this Act had been enacted on May 31, 1948, and any proceeding, petition, application, or appeal which was pending on May 31, 1948, under such title III, as amended, or under any regulation, order, direc-