

employment within the coverage of the Alaska Railroad Retirement Act, as amended, or the Canal Zone Retirement Act, as amended, to enter the armed forces of the United States.

(d) The provisions of section 12 (c) of the Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, shall apply as of February 28, 1948, in the case of any officer or employee within the coverage of the Alaska Retirement Act, as amended, or the Canal Zone Retirement Act, as amended, who shall have died subsequent to that date.

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49 Stat. 2017; 48 Stat. 1122.  
5 U. S. C. §§ 745-745r.  
46 Stat. 476.  
5 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 724 (c).

[CHAPTER 357]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of the Army to convey certain lands to the city and county of San Francisco.

July 21, 1949  
[S. 863]  
[Public Law 181]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed to the city and county of San Francisco, subject to the conditions provided for in section 2 of this Act, the following-described land in the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, together with all improvements thereon, included within metes and bounds as follows:

San Francisco,  
Calif.  
Conveyance.

Commencing at a point on the westerly line of Lyon Street, distant thereon five and seventeen one-hundredths feet southerly from the northerly line of Bay Street, if extended and produced westerly, and running thence northerly along the westerly line of Lyon Street one thousand one hundred and ninety-six and eighty one-hundredths feet; thence southwesterly on a curve to the left of six hundred and twelve feet radius, central angle one hundred and fifty-five degrees forty-seven minutes and fifty seconds, tangent to a line deflected one hundred and two degrees six minutes and five seconds to the left from the preceding course a distance of one thousand six hundred and sixty-four and thirteen one-hundredths feet to the westerly line of Lyon Street and the point of commencement, containing nine and ninety-three one-hundredths acres, more or less.

SEC. 2. The deed of conveyance authorized by the first section shall provide that the grantee—

Conditions.

(1) shall not hereafter amend or rescind Ordinance Numbered 7531 (New Series) duly passed by the board of supervisors of such city and county (permitting the United States to construct, maintain, and operate in perpetuity a spur track railroad);

(2) shall convey to the United States perpetual rights of ingress and egress across the property as now enjoyed by the United States;

(3) shall permit the use of the main building situated on the property described in section 1 of this Act by the State of California for National Guard purposes.

In the event that the grantee shall fail to conform to such conditions, the deed of conveyance shall cease to be of force and effect and all rights enjoyed by the United States prior to the enactment of this Act shall again accrue to the United States: *Provided*, That such permission shall not be effective until the Governor of the State of California shall certify in writing to the Secretary of Defense that such land is needed by the State of California for the purpose of a site for a National Guard Armory and for training the National Guard or for other related military purposes and that such land is suitable for such purposes.

Certification.

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## [CHAPTER 358]

## AN ACT

July 25, 1949  
[S. 937]  
[Public Law 182]

To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of certain claims against the United States.

Claims against U. S.  
Payment author-  
ized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sum as may be necessary to effect full and final settlement of the following claims against the United States:

J. D. Wiggins.

(a) Claim of the Government of Great Britain in the sum of £3,000 (\$12,097.50) on behalf of the parents of the late J. D. Wiggins of the British vessel *Sambre*, arising out of the death of the latter as a consequence of shots fired by John B. Coyne, United States Navy, an armed sentry aboard the United States ship *Carter Hall* at Shanghai, China, on November 23, 1945;

Spanish vessel  
*Christina*.

(b) Claim of the Government of Great Britain for reimbursement in the sum of £721.05 (\$2,907.52), representing the pro rata share of the United States of the sum paid to the Government of Spain by the Government of Great Britain, as a consequence of damages caused in the bombing of the Spanish vessel steamship *Christina* at Sete, France, in an attack by joint air forces of the United States and Great Britain, respectively, on June 25, 1944; and

Trygve Jorgensen.

(c) Claim of the Government of Norway in the sum of 19,650 patacas (\$5,354.63) on behalf of Trygve Jorgensen, arising out of personal injuries sustained when the ship *Masbate*, of which he was captain, was attacked in the harbor of Macao by United States military aircraft on February 25, 1945.

In all, \$20,359.65; together with such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in the foreign currencies as specified in the claims.

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## [CHAPTER 359]

## AN ACT

July 25, 1949  
[S. 1280]  
[Public Law 183]

To amend the Federal Airport Act so as to limit to 10 per centum any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement.

60 Stat. 177.  
49 U. S. C. § 1111.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 12 of the Federal Airport Act is amended by inserting before the period at the end of the fourth sentence thereof the following: "by more than 10 per centum".

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## [CHAPTER 360]

## AN ACT

July 25, 1949  
[S. 1639]  
[Public Law 184]

To amend section 1452, Revised Statutes, relating to Presidential action on the proceedings and decisions of Navy retiring boards.

34 U. S. C. § 416.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 1452 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows: "A record of the proceedings and decision of the board in each case shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Navy for his approval or disapproval, or orders in the case."

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