

## [CHAPTER 383]

## AN ACT

To transfer the office of the probation officer of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, the office of the Register of Wills for the District of Columbia, and the Commission on Mental Health, from the government of the District of Columbia to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, for budgetary and administrative purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the office of the probation officer of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, the office of the Register of Wills for the District of Columbia, and the Commission on Mental Health, are hereby transferred from the government of the District of Columbia to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts for budgetary and administrative purposes, and the provisions of chapter 41 of title 28, United States Code, shall apply to such offices.

SEC. 2. The provisions of title 18, sections 3654, 3655, and 3656, shall apply to the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Accordingly, the first paragraph of section 3654 of title 18 is amended by striking therefrom the words, "except in the District of Columbia", so that said paragraph shall read as follows:

"Any court having original jurisdiction to try offenses against the United States may appoint one or more suitable persons to serve as probation officers within the jurisdiction and under the direction of the court making such appointment."

SEC. 3. That section 929 of the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to the District of Columbia, as enacted June 22, 1874, as amended (title 19, sec. 401, D. C. Code, 1940), is further amended by adding the following sentence: "The Register of Wills shall be appointed by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and shall be subject to removal by that court."

SEC. 4. That the office of the Register of Wills shall be a part of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

SEC. 5. That the Register of Wills of the District of Columbia shall pay into the Treasury all fees, costs, and other moneys collected by him (except uncollected fees not required by Act of Congress to be prepaid), and shall make returns thereof to the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts under regulations prescribed by him.

SEC. 6. That the annual estimates of expenditures and appropriations necessary for the maintenance and operation of the courts submitted by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts shall include estimates of appropriations for the operation and maintenance of the office of the probation officer of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, the office of the Register of Wills of the District of Columbia, and the Commission on Mental Health.

SEC. 7. That title III of an Act entitled "An Act to provide revenue for the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved July 26, 1939 (53 Stat. 1107; title 11, sec. 330, D. C. Code, 1940), is amended to read as follows:

"There shall be credited to the District of Columbia that proportion of the fees and fines collected by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, including fees and fines collected by the offices of the clerk of that court, of the Register of Wills of the District of Columbia, and of the United States marshal for the District of Columbia, as the amount paid by the District of Columbia toward salaries and expenses of such court and of the offices of the United States district attorney for the District of Columbia and of the United

August 2, 1949

[H. R. 4705]

[Public Law 201]

District of Columbia.  
Transfer of certain offices.

62 Stat. 913.  
28 U. S. C., Supp.  
II, §§ 601-610.  
Post, p. 881.  
62 Stat. 843.  
18 U. S. C., Supp.  
II, §§ 3654-3656.  
Ante, p. 97.

Appointment of probation officers.

Appointment of Register of Wills.

Payment of fees into Treasury, etc.

Estimates of appropriations.

Credit of fees and fines to D. C.

States marshal for the District of Columbia bears to the total amount of such salaries and expenses; and such proportion of the fees and fines, if any, collected by the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, including fees and fines, if any, collected by the office of the clerk of that court, as the amount paid by the District of Columbia toward the salaries and expenses of such court bears to the total amount of such salaries and expenses.”

Repeal.

D. C. Code § 21-308.  
*Post*, p. 889.

SEC. 8. That the last sentence of the second paragraph of section 2 of the Act of June 8, 1938, entitled “An Act to provide for insanity proceedings in the District of Columbia” (52 Stat. 625, 626), which reads as follows: “The Commissioners shall include in their annual estimates such amounts as may be required for the salaries and expenses herein authorized,” is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SEC. 9. That the Act of April 24, 1926, entitled “An Act providing for expenses of the office of Recorder of Deeds and Register of Wills of the District of Columbia” (44 Stat. 322; title 19, sec. 404 and sec. 405; D. C. Code, 1940), insofar as it relates to the office of the Register of Wills, and any other provisions of law inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Effective date.

SEC. 10. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1949.

Approved August 2, 1949.

[CHAPTER 384]

AN ACT

August 3, 1949  
[S. 1742]  
[Public Law 202]

Removing certain restrictions imposed by the Act of March 8, 1888, on certain lands authorized by such Act to be conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy.

Porter Academy.

*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 to release to the trustees of Porter Academy by an appropriate written instrument the restriction placed upon that land in Charleston, South Carolina, which was conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy pursuant to the provisions of the Act of March 8, 1888, entitled “An Act authorizing the Secretary of War to transfer to the trustees of Porter Academy certain property in the city of Charleston, South Carolina”, sections 1 and 2 of which required that the property should be inviolably dedicated to educational purposes and no other and required that the deed of conveyance contain a condition to that effect.

25 Stat. 45.

Approved August 3, 1949.

[CHAPTER 385]

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 3, 1949  
[H. J. Res. 170]  
[Public Law 203]

Designating June 14 of each year as Flag Day.

Flag Day.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the 14th day of June of each year is hereby designated as “Flag Day”, and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue annually a proclamation calling upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on such day, and urging the people to observe the day as the anniversary of the adoption on June 14, 1777, by the Continental Congress of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States of America.

Approved August 3, 1949.