

Transfers allowed between appropriations for bureaus, etc., to meet reallocation of positions.

Allowance to motor vehicles for traveling, etc.

Title of Act.

permitted by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and is specifically authorized by other law.

SEC. 3. When specifically approved by the head of any independent bureau or establishment provided for herein, transfers may be made between the appropriations in this Act under the respective jurisdiction of any bureau, office, institution, or service, in order to meet increases in compensation resulting from the reallocation by the Personnel Classification Board of positions under any such organization unit. Any such transfers shall be reported to Congress in the annual Budget.

SEC. 4. Whenever, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, the executive head of any independent bureau, office, or establishment appropriated for in this Act shall find that the expenses of travel, including travel at official stations, can be reduced thereby, he may authorize, in lieu of actual operating expenses, under such regulations as he may prescribe, the payment of not to exceed 3 cents per mile for motor cycles or 7 cents per mile for an automobile used for necessary travel on official business.

SEC. 5. This Act hereafter may be referred to as the "Independent Offices Act, 1931."

Total appropriated by this Act, \$553,523,166.

Approved, April 19, 1930.

April 19, 1930.  
[H. R. 9637.]  
[Public, No. 159.]

**CHAP. 202.**—An Act To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across Lake Champlain at or near Rouses Point, New York, and a point at or near Alburgh, Vermont.

Lake Champlain.  
Time extended for bridging, from Rouses Point, N. Y., to Alburgh, Vt.  
Vol. 45, p. 1178, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across Lake Champlain at or near Rouses Point, New York, and a point at or near Alburgh, Vermont, authorized to be built by Elisha N. Goodsell, of Alburgh, Vermont, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, by an Act of Congress approved February 15, 1929, are hereby extended one and three years, respectively, from February 15, 1930.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby reserved.

Approved, April 19, 1930.

April 19, 1930.  
[H. R. 10173.]  
[Public, No. 160.]

**CHAP. 203.**—An Act To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct investigations of cotton ginning.

Cotton ginning.  
Secretary of Agriculture to establish laboratories, etc., for investigations of.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized to investigate the ginning of cotton; to establish and maintain experimental ginning plants and laboratories; and to make such tests, demonstrations, and experiments, and such technical and scientific studies in relation to cotton ginning as he shall deem necessary and to publish the results thereof, with a view to developing improved ginning equipment and encouraging the use of improved methods, and he may cooperate with any department or agency of the Government, any State, Territory, District, or possession, or department, agency, or political subdivision thereof, or any person, as he shall find to be necessary.

Cooperation with other agencies, etc.

SEC. 2. That for the purposes of this Act there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise

Sum authorized for 1931.  
Post, pp. 871, 1267.

appropriated, not more than the sum of \$100,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and thereafter such sums as may be necessary.

Approved, April 19, 1930.

**CHAP. 204.**—Joint Resolution Providing for the observance and commemoration of the one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of the Monongahela, and establishing a commission to be known as the United States Battle of the Monongahela Commission.

April 21, 1930.  
[H. J. Res. 171.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 66.]

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby established a commission to be known as the Battle of the Monongahela Commission (hereinafter referred to as the commission) and to be composed of five commissioners as follows: One person to be appointed by the President of the United States, two Senators by the President of the Senate, and two Members of the House of Representatives by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Any vacancy in the office of a commissioner shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. The commissioners shall serve without compensation therefor from the United States. The commission shall select a chairman from among its members.

Battle of the Monongahela Commission.  
Appointment of commissioners for.

No compensation.

**SEC. 2.** The commission is authorized to arrange, in cooperation with any organization or society without cost to the United States, an appropriate observance and commemoration to take place in the month of July, 1930, of the one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of the Monongahela, referred to as "Braddock's Defeat," and to participate on behalf of the United States, in such manner as it deems advisable, in any other observance or celebration of such anniversary which may be held in the United States during the year 1930.

Cooperation by, in observing one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of "Braddock's Defeat."

Approved, April 21, 1930.

**CHAP. 205.**—An Act To amend section 43 of the Act of May 25, 1926, entitled "An Act to adjust water-right charges, to grant certain other relief on the Federal irrigation projects, and for other purposes."

April 23, 1930.  
[H. R. 4291.]  
[Public, No. 161.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 43 of the Act of May 25, 1926, entitled "An Act to adjust water-right charges, to grant certain other relief on the Federal irrigation projects, and for other purposes" (Forty-fourth Statutes, page 636), be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Irrigation projects.  
Vol., 44 p. 647, amended.  
Post, p. 367.

"**SEC. 43.** The payment of all construction charges against said areas temporarily unproductive shall remain suspended until the Secretary of the Interior shall declare them to be possessed of sufficient productive power properly to be placed in a paying class, whereupon payment of construction charges against such areas shall be resumed or shall begin, as the case may be. Any payments made on such areas shall be credited to the unpaid balance of the construction charge on the productive area of each unit. Such credit shall be applied on and after the passage and approval of this Act, which shall not be construed to require revision of accounts heretofore adjusted under the provisions of this section as originally enacted. While said lands so classified as temporarily unproductive and the construction charges against them are suspended, water for irrigation purposes may be furnished upon payment of the usual operation and maintenance charges, or such other charges as may be

Suspension of charges on temporarily unproductive areas.

Payments made to be credited to productive area of unit.

Water for irrigation may be furnished.