

SEC. 3. The President from time to time, but not less frequently than once every six months, shall transmit to the Congress a report of operations under this Act.

SEC. 4. The President may issue such rules and regulations and require such information as may be necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of this Act, and he may exercise any power or authority conferred on him by this Act through such department, agency, board, or officer as he shall direct or appoint.

Approved, October 16, 1941.

[CHAPTER 446]

AN ACT

To amend the Nationality Act of 1940 to preserve the nationality of citizens residing abroad.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter IV of the Nationality Act of 1940, section 409, is amended to read as follows:*

"SEC. 409. Nationality shall not be lost under the provisions of section 404 or 407 of this Act until the expiration of two years following the date of the approval of this Act: *Provided, however,* That a naturalized person who shall have become subject to the presumption that he has ceased to be an American citizen as provided for in the second paragraph of section 2 of the Act of March 2, 1907 (34 Stat. 1228), and who shall not have overcome it under the rules in effect immediately preceding the date of the approval of this Act, shall continue to be subject to such presumption for the period of two years following the date of the approval of this Act unless it is overcome during such period."

Approved, October 16, 1941.

[CHAPTER 452]

AN ACT

To repeal sections 512; 513; 514; 515, as amended, of the Revised Statutes; sections 1 and 3 of the Act approved February 4, 1929 (45 Stat. 1147); and section 3744, as amended; 3745, 3746, and 3747 of the Revised Statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 512; 513; 514; 515, as amended, of the Revised Statutes; sections 1 and 3 of the Act approved February 4, 1929 (45 Stat. 1147); and section 3744, as amended; 3745, 3746, and 3747 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C., secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 4a, 16, 17, 18, and 19) are hereby repealed.*

Approved, October 21, 1941.

[CHAPTER 453]

AN ACT

To amend the Act reorganizing the administration of Federal prisons.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 of the Act entitled "An Act to reorganize the administration of Federal prisons; to authorize the Attorney General to contract for the care of United States prisons; to establish Federal jails, and for other purposes", approved May 14, 1930 (46 Stat. 326, U. S. C., title 18, sec. 753f), be, and it hereby is, amended by adding thereto the following sentence: "The authority conferred upon the Attorney General*

Reports to Congress.

Rules and regulations.

Delegation of authority.

October 16, 1941  
[H. R. 5511]

[Public Law 275]

Nationality Act of 1940, amendment.  
54 Stat. 1171.  
8 U. S. C. § 809.

Time restriction on loss of nationality.  
54 Stat. 1170.  
8 U. S. C. §§ 804, 807.  
*Proviso.*

8 U. S. C. § 17.

October 21, 1941  
[S. 377]

[Public Law 276]

Public contracts.  
Repeal of designated sections.

October 21, 1941  
[S. 1695]

[Public Law 277]

National Training School for Boys, D. C. Authority of Attorney General.  
*Ante*, p. 252.

by this section shall extend to persons committed to the National Training School for Boys, by the juvenile court of the District of Columbia, as well as to those committed by any court of the United States."

Approved, October 21, 1941.

[CHAPTER 454]

AN ACT

October 23, 1941  
[H. R. 5667]  
[Public Law 278]

To authorize the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to issue notes, bonds, and debentures in the sum of \$1,500,000,000 in excess of existing authority.

Reconstruction Finance Corporation.  
Increase of lending authority.  
*Ante*, p. 250.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the amount of notes, bonds, debentures, and other such obligations which the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is authorized to issue and have outstanding at any one time under existing law is hereby increased by \$1,500,000,000.

Approved, October 23, 1941.

[CHAPTER 457]

AN ACT

October 23, 1941  
[H. R. 2985]  
[Public Law 279]

To prescribe the time basis for computing pay for overtime work performed by laborers in the Railway Mail Service.

Railway Mail Service.  
43 Stat. 1061.  
39 U. S. C., ch. 16.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 7, as amended, of the Act entitled "An Act reclassifying the salaries of postmasters and employees of the Postal Service, readjusting their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis, increasing postal rates to provide for such readjustment, and for other purposes", approved February 28, 1925 (43 Stat. 1053, as amended), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

Hours of work for laborers.  
*Provisos*.  
Restriction.

"After June 30, 1941, laborers in the Railway Mail Service shall be required to work not more than eight hours a day: *Provided*, That the eight hours of service shall not extend over a longer period than ten consecutive hours, and the schedules of duty of such employees shall be regulated accordingly: *Provided further*, That in cases of emergency, or if the needs of the Service require, and it is not practicable to employ substitutes, such employees can be required to work in excess of eight hours per day, and for such overtime service they shall be paid on the basis of the annual pay received by such employees: *And provided further*, That in computing the compensation for such overtime the annual salary or compensation for such employees shall be divided by three hundred and five, the number of working days in the year less all Sundays and legal holidays; the quotient thus obtained will be the daily compensation which divided by eight will give the hourly compensation for such overtime service."

Overtime pay.

Computation.

48 Stat. 958.  
39 U. S. C. § 607.

Substitute laborers.  
Pay and service credit.

SEC. 2. The fifth paragraph of such section 7, as amended, of such Act of February 28, 1925, is amended to read as follows:

"Substitute laborers in the Railway Mail Service shall be paid for services actually performed at the rate of 55 cents per hour, and when appointed to the position of regular laborer the substitute service performed shall be included in eligibility for promotion to grade 2 on the basis of three hundred and five days of eight hours constituting a year's service."

Approved, October 23, 1941.