

the National Resources Board, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense: *Provided further*, That the foregoing authority is contingent upon the establishment by law of said agencies to which transfers may be made hereunder: *Provided further*, That transfers authorized hereunder shall not exceed \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.

Short title.

SEC. 5. This Act may be cited as the "Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1948".

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 417]

AN ACT

July 31, 1947  
[S. 885]  
[Public Law 300]

To provide that the Canadian-built dredge Ajax and certain other dredging equipment owned by a United States corporation be documented under the laws of the United States.

Documentation of  
certain Canadian-  
built vessels.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Director of the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation is authorized and directed to document under the laws of the United States the Canadian-built dredge Ajax and the Canadian-built dump scows D. S. 135290, D. S. 135291, D. S. 308, and D. S. 310, which are owned by the Puget Sound Towboat Company, a subsidiary of the Puget Sound Bridge and Dredging Company, in order that such vessels may continue to operate within the United States without violating the restrictions of the navigation laws on dredging operations and coastwise transportation: *Provided*, That the documentation of the Ajax as provided in this Act shall terminate upon completion of the Wrangell Narrows, Alaska, contract now in force between United States Engineers and subject company.

Termination.

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 418]

AN ACT

July 31, 1947  
[S. 1361]  
[Public Law 301]

To amend the United States Housing Act of 1937 so as to permit loans, capital grants, or annual contributions for low-rent-housing and slum-clearance projects where construction costs exceed present cost limitations upon condition that local housing agencies pay the difference between cost limitations and the actual construction costs.

U. S. Housing Act  
of 1937, amendment.  
50 Stat. 895.  
42 U. S. C. § 1415.

Loans for low-rent-  
housing projects, etc.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 15 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (5) of this section, or of any other section of this Act, the Authority is authorized to make capital grants, loans, or annual contributions for low-rent-housing or slum-clearance projects, in the full amount of any sums previously allocated pursuant to this Act, to any public housing agency, at the request of such agency, upon condition that such agency will pay, or cause to be paid by the State or political subdivision, such proportion of the total development cost of the project as the amount of the average actual cost per family dwelling unit of the items covered by the applicable cost limitations prescribed in subsection (5) of this section in excess thereof bears to such average actual cost: *Provided*, That the amount of any such payment shall be excluded from the base on which the maximum amount of any capital grants, loans, or annual contributions authorized by this Act are calculated. The receipt of capital grants, loans, or annual contributions by any public-housing agency pursuant to this subsection shall in no way prejudice or impair the rights or privileges of such agency to participate fully in other

Participation in  
other projects.

low-rent-housing or slum-clearance projects under this Act or any other law. Nothing in this subsection shall prejudice the right of those public housing agencies which can, by reason of lesser need, or would prefer to delay the starting of their proposed building operations until labor and material costs stabilize at levels consistent with the cost limitations prescribed in subsection (5) of this section."

Right to delay building operations.

SEC. 2. The United States or any State or local public agency assisted by Federal funds made available with respect to housing shall continue to have the right to maintain an action or proceeding to recover possession of any housing accommodations (except as provided in the proviso of section 209 (b) of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947) operated by it where such action or proceeding is authorized by the statute or regulations under which such accommodations are administered, but no such action or proceeding shall be maintained prior to March 1, 1948, if in the opinion of the administering authority such action or proceeding would result in undue hardship for the occupants of such housing accommodations, or unless in the opinion of such authority other housing facilities are available for such occupants.

Right to maintain action, etc.

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[CHAPTER 419]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to establish a postgraduate school at Monterey, California.

July 31, 1947  
[H. R. 1341]  
[Public Law 302]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to acquire six hundred and six and five hundred and ninety-two one-thousandths acres of land upon which the United States of America now has an option with buildings thereon at Monterey, California, for the establishment of a naval postgraduate school, including the necessary construction and alterations to provide school facilities, quarters, and collateral facilities and equipment, including the acquisition of the necessary land, at a cost not to exceed \$2,500,000: *Provided,* That contracts may be entered into without regard to the provisions of 3709 Revised Statutes.

Navy. Acquisition of land, etc., for postgraduate school.

41 U. S. C. § 5.

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 420]

AN ACT

To establish the United States Naval Postgraduate School, and for other purposes.

July 31, 1947  
[H. R. 1379]  
[Public Law 303]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized and directed to establish the United States Naval Postgraduate School for the advanced instruction and training of commissioned officers of the Regular Navy and Marine Corps and the reserve components thereof in the practical and theoretical duties of commissioned officers.

U. S. Naval Postgraduate School.

SEC. 2. The military command of the United States Naval Postgraduate School (hereinafter referred to as the postgraduate school) shall be exercised by a line officer of the Regular Navy, qualified to command at sea, detailed by the Secretary of the Navy, from the active list not below the grade of captain to serve as Superintendent. Such other officers of the line and staff of the Navy and Marine Corps, of appropriate ranks and qualifications, shall be detailed by the Secretary of the Navy as may be necessary to assist the Superintendent in

Military command.