

## [CHAPTER 702]

## AN ACT

October 20, 1949  
[H. R. 6213]  
[Public Law 365]

To authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics.

Bureau of Narcotics.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of March 28, 1928, chapter 266 (45 Stat. 374; U. S. C., 1946 edition, title 31, sec. 529a), is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a paragraph reading as follows:

Reimbursement of appropriations.

“Moneys expended from appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics, Treasury Department, for the purchase of narcotics, including marihuana, and subsequently recovered shall be reimbursed to the appropriation for enforcement of the narcotics and marihuana laws current at the time of the deposit.”

Approved October 20, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 703]

## AN ACT

October 25, 1949  
[S. 443]  
[Public Law 366]

To authorize the construction and equipment of a radio laboratory building for the National Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce.

National Bureau of Standards.  
Radio laboratory building.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby authorized to be constructed and equipped for the National Bureau of Standards a suitable radio laboratory building, together with necessary utilities and appurtenances thereto, under a limit of cost of \$4,475,000: *Provided,* That such limit of cost may be exceeded or shall be reduced by an amount equal to the percentage increase or decrease, if any, in construction costs generally dating from March 1, 1948, as determined by the Federal Works Administrator.

Cost adjustment.

Acquisition of lands, etc.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Commerce is authorized to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise (including transfer with or without compensation from Federal agencies), such lands, estates in lands, and appurtenances thereto as may in his opinion be necessary or desirable for the construction of buildings to house activities of the National Bureau of Standards: *Provided,* That the site therefor shall be selected after consultation with the Director of the National Bureau of Standards.

Selection of site.

Appropriation authorized.

SEC. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Commerce, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act: *Provided,* That such sums so appropriated, except such part thereof as may be necessary for the incidental expenses of the Department of Commerce, shall be transferred to the Public Buildings Administration in the Federal Works Agency.

Transfer of funds.

Approved October 25, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 704]

## AN ACT

October 25, 1949  
[S. 939]  
[Public Law 367]

To remove certain lands from the operation of Public Law 545, Seventy-seventh Congress.

Public lands withdrawn for mining purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act entitled “An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease for the exploitation of silica sand and other nonmetallic minerals, lands withdrawn by Executive Order Numbered 5105, dated May 3, 1929”,

approved May 9, 1942 (56 Stat. 273), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "This Act shall be effective with respect to any lands so withdrawn only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn."

Approved October 25, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 705]

## AN ACT

Relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal.

October 25, 1949  
[S. 2226]

[Public Law 368]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Governor of the Panama Canal is authorized to grant additional compensation to policemen, firemen, and school teachers employed by the Panama Canal, corresponding to the additional compensation granted to similar employees of the District of Columbia by the Act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of certain employees of the municipal government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved June 30, 1949, as of the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948.

Panama Canal.  
Compensation in-  
crease for certain em-  
ployees.

*Ante*, p. 376.

Retroactive com-  
pensation.

SEC. 2. No retroactive compensation shall be payable by reason of the enactment of this Act in the case of any person who is not an employee of the Panama Canal on the date of enactment of this Act, except that such retroactive compensation shall be paid a retired employee for services rendered between the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948, and the date of his retirement.

Approved October 25, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 706]

## AN ACT

To authorize the appointment of three additional judges of the municipal court for the District of Columbia and to prescribe the qualifications of appointees to the municipal court and the municipal court of appeals, and for other purposes.

October 25, 1949  
[H. R. 1370]

[Public Law 369]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the number of judges authorized by the Act approved April 1, 1942 (56 Stat. 190, D. C. Code, title 11, sec. 752), is hereby increased from ten to thirteen. Appointments and reappointments in the case of the additional judges authorized by this Act shall be for a term of ten years each.

Municipal court  
and municipal court  
of appeals, D. C.  
Additional judges.  
D. C. Code, Supp.  
VII, § 11-752.

SEC. 2. Section 2 and the fourth paragraph of section 6 of such Act of April 1, 1942, are hereby amended by striking out "bona fide resident of the District of Columbia and maintaining an actual place of abode therein" and inserting in lieu thereof "bona fide resident of the area consisting of the District of Columbia; Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties, Maryland; Arlington and Fairfax Counties, Virginia; and the city of Alexandria, Virginia, and maintaining an actual place of abode in such area".

56 Stat. 191, 194.  
D. C. Code, Supp.  
VII, §§ 11-753, 11-771.  
*Ante*, pp. 482, 483.

SEC. 3. Section 2 of such Act of April 1, 1942, is hereby amended by striking out "further, all appointees shall have been actively engaged in the practice of the law in the District of Columbia for a period of at least five years immediately prior to their appointment" and in lieu thereof insert the following: "further, all appointees shall have been members of the bar of the District of Columbia for a period of at least five years, and shall have been actively engaged in the private practice of law in the District of Columbia for a period of at least five consecutive years immediately prior to their appointment, or shall have been employed as an attorney in the District of Columbia

56 Stat. 191.  
D. C. Code, Supp.  
VII, § 11-753.  
*Ante*, p. 482.

Qualifications.