

Public Law 2

CHAPTER 2

AN ACT

February 7, 1953
[S. 243]

To amend Public Law 73, Eighty-first Congress, first session (63 Stat. 111), to provide for an Under Secretary of State for Administration.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of May 26, 1949 (63 Stat. 111; 5 U. S. C. 151a), is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

Under Secretary
of State for Admin-
istration.

“Until December 31, 1954, unless the office shall be abolished sooner by the President, there shall be in the Department of State an Under Secretary of State for Administration who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and who shall take precedence in the Department of State next after the Secretary and the Under Secretary. The Under Secretary of State for Administration shall receive compensation at the rate of \$17,500 per annum, and shall perform such duties and exercise such administrative powers as the Secretary of State may prescribe.”

Approved February 7, 1953.

Public Law 3

CHAPTER 3

AN ACT

February 11, 1953
[H. R. 1979]

To amend the Reorganization Act of 1949 so that such Act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before April 1, 1955.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (b) of section 5 of the Reorganization Act of 1949 (5 U. S. C., sec. 133z-3 (b)) is hereby amended by striking out “April 1, 1953” and inserting in lieu thereof “April 1, 1955”.

63 Stat. 205.

Approved February 11, 1953.

Public Law 4

CHAPTER 4

AN ACT

February 14, 1953
[H. R. 568]

To continue until the close of June 30, 1954, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper.

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 suspend certain import taxes on copper”, approved May 22, 1951 (Public Law 38, Eighty-second Congress), is hereby amended by striking out “February 15, 1953, or the termination of the national emergency proclaimed by the President on December 16, 1950, whichever is earlier” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1954”.

65 Stat. 44,
26 USC 3425
note.

Approved February 14, 1953.

Public Law 5

CHAPTER 5

JOINT RESOLUTION

March 10, 1953
[S. J. Res. 27]

To amend section 2 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last sentence of sec-

tion 2 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows: "The aggregate amount of all loans, advances of credit, and obligations purchased, exclusive of financing charges, with respect to which insurance may be heretofore or hereafter granted under this section and outstanding at any one time shall not exceed \$1,750,000,000."

FHA home repair
loans.
48 Stat. 1246,
64 Stat. 48,
12 USC 1703(a).

SEC. 2. Prior to June 30, 1954, the Federal Housing Commissioner shall pay out of the capital account of the Title I Insurance Fund to the Secretary of the Treasury the amount of \$8,333,313.65 which constitutes the Government investment in the capital account of the Title I Insurance Fund. The amount payable hereunder shall be paid in the discretion of the Commissioner either in one lump sum or in installments except that the first payment shall be made on July 1, 1953.

Repayment to
Treasury.

Approved March 10, 1953.

Public Law 6

CHAPTER 6

AN ACT

To amend the Act of June 23, 1949, as amended, to remove the monthly limitations on official long-distance telephone calls and official telegrams of Members of the House of Representatives without affecting the annual limitation on such telephone calls and telegrams.

March 10, 1953
[H. R. 2230]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first two sections of the Act entitled "An Act relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives", approved June 23, 1949, as amended, are amended to read as follows: "That in the case of each Member of the House of Representatives, there shall be paid from the contingent fund of the House of Representatives, in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Administration and subject to the limitations provided in section 2, the following charges:

House of Rep-
resentatives.
Telephone and
telegraph service.
63 Stat. 264.
2 USC 46f, 46g.

"(1) toll charges on strictly official long-distance telephone calls made by or on behalf of the Member within the United States, its Territories or possessions; and

"(2) charges on strictly official telegrams sent by or on behalf of the Member within the United States, its Territories or possessions.

SEC. 2. In the case of any Member of the House of Representatives other than the Speaker, the majority leader, the minority leader, the majority whip, and the minority whip, there shall be paid under the first section of this Act—

Limitation on
charges.

"(1) toll charges on strictly official long-distance telephone calls made by or on behalf of the Member, aggregating not more than 1,800 minutes during any year, except that if a Member is elected for a portion of a term, the aggregate number of minutes with respect to which toll charges may be paid under the first section shall be reduced, with respect to the year in which he commences his service, to a number which is the same percentage of 1,800 as the number of days of his service in such year is of the total number of days in such year; and

"(2) charges on strictly official telegrams sent by or on behalf of the Member, aggregating not more than 12,000 words during any year, except that if a Member is elected for a portion of a term, the aggregate number of words with respect to which charges may be paid under the first section shall be reduced, with respect