

tions in private industry to establish such wage schedules, the agency or agencies making the survey shall establish rates for such positions in accordance with rates paid for positions in private industry in the nearest wage area which is determined by the agency or agencies involved to be most similar in the nature of its population, employment, manpower, and industry to the wage area for which the survey is being made. The Civil Service Commission shall prescribe regulations necessary for the administration of this subsection."

SEC. 5. (a) Chapter 203 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"§ 3061. Powers of postal inspectors

"(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, postal inspectors may, to the extent authorized by the Postmaster General—

"(1) serve warrants and subpoenas issued under the authority of the United States;

"(2) make arrests without warrant for offenses against the United States committed in their presence; and

"(3) make arrests without warrant for felonies cognizable under the laws of the United States if they have reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be arrested has committed or is committing such a felony.

"(b) The powers granted by subsection (a) of this section shall be exercised only in the enforcement of laws regarding property of the United States in the custody of the postal service, the use of the mails, and other postal offenses."

(b) The table of sections of chapter 203 of title 18, United States Code, immediately preceding section 3041 of such chapter, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new item:

"3061. Powers of postal inspectors."

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AN ACT

October 12, 1968
[H. R. 8140]

To provide for the settlement of claims against the District of Columbia by officers and employees of the District of Columbia for damage to, or loss of, personal property incident to their service, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act of 1964, as amended (78 Stat. 767; 31 U.S.C. 240-242, as amended) is amended by the addition of the following subsection:

"(f) The provisions of this Act apply in respect to the damage to, or loss of, personal property incident to service of any officer or employee of the government of the District of Columbia, irrespective of whether the damage or loss occurs within or outside the District of Columbia, except that in applying such provisions in connection with the damage or loss of personal property of an officer or employee of the government of the District of Columbia, the terms 'agency' and 'United States' shall be held to mean the government of the District of Columbia, and the term 'head of agency' shall be held to mean the Commissioner of the District of Columbia."

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