(b) The analysis of chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, is 38 USC 601amended by inserting immediately below

"643. Applications."

the following:

"644. Authorization of appropriations.". Approved December 30, 1969.

Public Law 91-179

To amend section 1401a(b) of title 10, United States Code, relating to adjustments of retired pay to reflect changes in Consumer Price Index.

December 30, 1969 [H. R. 14227]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second sentence of section 1401a(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended adjustment. to read as follows: "If the Secretary determines that, for three consecutive months, the amount of the increase is at least 3 per centum over the base index, the retired pay and retainer pay of members and former members of the armed forces who become entitled to that pay before the first day of the third calendar month beginning after the end of those three months shall, except as provided in subsection (c), be increased, effective on that day, by the per centum obtained by adding 1 per centum and the highest per centum of increase in the index during those months, adjusted to the nearest one-tenth of 1 per centum."

Armed Forces, Retired pay, 81 Stat. 652.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this Act become effective on October 31,

Effective date.

Approved December 30, 1969.

Public Law 91-180

AN ACT

To continue for two additional years the duty-free status of certain gifts by members of the Armed Forces serving in combat zones.

December 30, 1969 [H. R. 15071]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) item 915.25 of the appendix to the Tariff Schedules of the United States (19 U.S.C. status. 1202) is amended by striking out "On or before 12/31/69" and inserting in lieu thereof "On or before 12/31/71".

Armed Forces. Gifts, duty-free 80 Stat. 71; 81 Stat. 776.

(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after January 1, 1970.

Approved December 30, 1969.