Public Law 91-311

July 8, 1970 [H. R. 4246] AN ACT

To discontinue the annual report to Congress as to the administrative settlement of personal property claims of military personnel and civilian employees.

Repeal.

79 Stat. 790.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3(e) of the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act of 1964, as amended (31 U.S.C. 241(e)), is repealed.

Approved July 8, 1970.

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To amend section 2734 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary concerned to make partial payments on certain claims which are certified to Congress and to provide equivalent authority for administrative settlement and payment of claims under section 2733 of title 10 and section 715 of title 32, United States Code.

Military claims. Administration and settlement. 70A Stat. 155. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsections (d) and (e) of section 2734 of title 10, United States Code, are amended to read as follows:

Certification to Congress.

82 Stat. 877.

Report to

74 Stat. 878.

Congress.

"(d) If the Secretary concerned considers that a claim in excess of \$15,000 is meritorious and would otherwise be covered by this section, he may pay the claimant \$15,000 and certify the excess to Congress as a legal claim for payment from appropriations made by Congress therefor, together with a brief statement of the claim, the amount claimed, the amounts allowed, and the amount paid.

"(e) Except as provided in subsection (d), no claim may be paid under this section unless the amount tendered is accepted by the

claimant in full satisfaction."

Sec. 2. (a) Subsection (a) of section 2733 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking "\$5,000" and inserting "\$15,000".

(b) Subsection (d) of section 2733 of title 10, United States Code,

is amended to read as follows:

"(d) If the Secretary concerned considers that a claim in excess of \$15,000 is meritorious and would otherwise be covered by this section, he may pay the claimant \$15,000 and report the excess to Congress for its consideration."

Sec. 3. (a) Subsection (a) of section 715 of title 32, United States Code, is amended by striking "\$5,000" and inserting "\$15,000".

(b) Subsection (d) of section 715 of title 32, United States Code, is

amended to read as follows:

"(d) If the Secretary of the military department concerned considers that a claim in excess of \$15,000 is meritorious and would otherwise be covered by this section, he may pay the claimant \$15,000 and report the excess to Congress for its consideration."

Report to Congress.

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