

clerk of the House may charge to said miscellaneous item, any deficiency in the items for stationery, folding documents, and furniture and repairs of the same, in the south wing of the Capitol.

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1859.

CHAP. LXXXVIII.—*An Act making Appropriations for the Payment of Invalid and other Pensions of the United States for the year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty.*

March 3, 1859.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of pensions for the year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty:

Invalid Pensions.
Appropriation.

For invalid pensions under various acts, four hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

Invalid Pensions.

For pensions under acts of the eighteenth March, eighteen hundred and eighteen, fifteenth May, eighteen hundred and twenty-eight, and seventh June, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, forty thousand dollars.

1818, ch. 19.
1823, ch. 53.
1832, ch. 126.

For pensions to widows of those who served in the Revolutionary War, under the third section of the act of fourth July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, the acts of seventh July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, third March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, seventeenth June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, second February and twenty-ninth July, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and second section act of third February, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, two hundred and fourteen thousand dollars.

Pensions to widows.
1836, ch. 362.
1838, ch. 189.
1843, ch. 102.
1844, ch. 102.
1848, ch. 8.
1848, ch. 120.
1853, ch. 41.

For pensions to widows and orphans, under first section act fourth July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, act of twenty-first July, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, first section act of third February, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, and under special acts, fifty thousand dollars.

Widows and orphans.
1836, ch. 362.
1848, ch. 108.
1853, ch. 41.

For navy invalid pensions, two thousand dollars.

Navy invalid pensions.
Navy pensions.
1848, ch. 155.
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For navy pensions to widows and orphans, under act of eleventh August, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars.

For privateer invalids, one thousand dollars.

Privateer invalids.
Applications for payment of pensions to invalids to be supported by affidavit of Physicians.
Nature of affidavit.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That in all cases of application for the payment of pensions to invalids under the several laws of Congress granting pensions to invalids, the affidavit of two surgeons or physicians, whose credibility as such shall be certified by the magistrate before whom the affidavit is made, stating the continuance of the disability for which the pension was originally granted (describing it) and the rate of such disability at the time of making the affidavit, shall accompany the application of the first payment, which shall fall due upon a day in the fiscal year for which provision is made herein, to be declared by the Secretary of the Interior, and at the end of every two years thereafter; and if in a case of continued disability it shall be stated at a rate below that for which the pension was originally granted, the applicant shall only be paid at the rate stated in the affidavit: *Provided,* That where the pension shall have been originally granted for a total disability, in consequence of the loss of a limb, or other cause which cannot, either in whole or in part be removed, the above affidavit shall not be necessary to entitle the applicant to payment.

If difference of rates—that in affidavit to govern.

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Affidavit not required in pensions granted for total disability.

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