ARTICLE V

This compact shall become effective immediately after it shall have been ratified by the majority of the legislatures of the States of Maryland and West Virginia, the Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia, and by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and approved by the Congress of the United States; provided, however, that this compact shall not be effective as to any signatory body until ratified thereby.

ARTICLE VI

Any signatory body may by legislative act, after one year’s notice to the Commission, withdraw from this compact. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to the States of Maryland and West Virginia and the Commonwealths of Virginia and Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia to enter into the compact hereinbefore recited, and to each and every part and article thereof: Provided, That nothing contained in such compact shall be construed as impairing or in any manner affecting any right or jurisdiction of the United States in and over the region which forms the subject of this compact.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this joint resolution is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, July 11, 1940.

[CHAPTER 580]

AN ACT

To authorize the payment of compensation to recess appointees in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1761 of the Revised Statutes be, and it is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 1761. No money shall be paid from the Treasury, as salary, to any person appointed during the recess of the Senate, to fill a vacancy in any existing office, if the vacancy existed while the Senate was in session and was by law required to be filled by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, until such appointee has been confirmed by the Senate. The provisions of this section shall not apply (a) if the vacancy arose within thirty days prior to the termination of the session of the Senate; or (b) if, at the time of the termination of the session of the Senate, a nomination for such office, other than the nomination of a person appointed during the preceding recess of the Senate, was pending before the Senate for its advice and consent; or (c) if a nomination for such office was rejected by the Senate within thirty days prior to the termination of the session and a person other than the one whose nomination was rejected thereafter receives a recess commission: Provided, That a nomination to fill such vacancy under (a), (b), or (c) hereof, shall be submitted to the Senate not later than forty days after the commencement of the next succeeding session of the Senate."

Approved, July 11, 1940.