March 2, 1949
[H. J. Res. 84]
[Public Law 13]

Freedom Train, Acquisition and Operation.

Sec. 2. In carrying out the purposes of this joint resolution the Archivist is hereby authorized—

(a) to enter into and carry out such agreements with such person or persons, natural or artificial, as may be necessary for the acquisition of the Freedom Train and its equipment, for its operation during the period ending July 5, 1951, and for the disposition of such train and equipment within sixty days after such date; and to make such expenditures, without regard to other provisions of law, as may be required to carry out such agreements;

(b) to appoint and fix the compensation of such personnel as he deems advisable without regard to the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended; to procure services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 810), but at rates not to exceed $40 per diem for individuals; to accept services and facilities without compensation; and, with the consent of the head of any Government department or agency, to utilize or employ the services of personnel or facilities of any such department or agency, with or without reimbursement therefor;

(c) to obtain printing and binding without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919, as amended (40 Stat. 1270);

(d) to purchase or contract for supplies or services (including printing and binding) without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended;

(e) to obtain and pay for comprehensive insurance coverage, as he may deem necessary, of other than Government property used in connection with the Freedom Train;

(f) to acquire by gift, bequest, loan, or otherwise, personal property for the benefit of, or in connection with, the operation of the Freedom Train;

(g) to cooperate with the governments of the several States and their political subdivisions in promoting the exhibition of the Freedom Train;

(h) to pay per diem to personnel required to travel in connection with the operation or inspection of the train as follows: To civilian personnel at the maximum rate applicable under existing laws or regulations; to officer personnel of the armed services in


Approved February 28, 1949.
accordance with section 12 of the Pay Readjustment Act of June 16, 1942, and regulations pertinent thereto; and to enlisted personnel of the armed services a military allowance in lieu of rations and quarters as provided in Executive Order Numbered 9871, as amended, and regulations pertinent thereto;

(i) to pay in cash for any services, supplies, or equipment not exceeding $50 in cost;

(ii) to purchase, print, mimeograph, multilith, photostat, or produce or reproduce in any known manner, pamphlets, brochures, facsimiles or other material pertaining to the Freedom Train for free distribution or for sale, the proceeds of such sales to be paid into, administered, and expended as a part of the National Archives Trust Fund;

(k) to prescribe such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary for the operation of the Freedom Train.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Defense is hereby authorized and directed to provide a security detachment for the protection of the Freedom Train.

SEC. 4. A commission is hereby created and established, to be known as the "Freedom Train Commission", to consist of the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate, the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the chairmen of the Senate and House Committees on Post Office and Civil Service, the Attorney General of the United States, the Librarian of Congress, the Archivist of the United States, and five members to be appointed by the President. The members of the said Commission shall serve during the period the Freedom Train is in operation, and for six months thereafter. Such members shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties vested in the Commission. The Commission shall elect one of its members to serve as Chairman.

SEC. 5. The Commission shall advise on and consent to the plans and publicity formulated by the Archivist and submitted to it for exhibiting the Freedom Train, and with respect to its itinerary.

SEC. 6. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution, not to exceed $2,500,000 for the period ending July 5, 1951.

Approved March 2, 1949.

[CHAPTER 14]

AN ACT
To retrocede to the State of New Mexico exclusive jurisdiction held by the United States over lands within the boundaries of the Los Alamos Project of the United States Atomic Energy Commission.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby retroceded to the State of New Mexico the exclusive jurisdiction herefofore acquired from the State of New Mexico by the United States of America, over lands in Sandoval County and Santa Fe County, New Mexico, within the present boundaries of the Los Alamos Project of the United States Atomic Energy Commission.

SEC. 2. This retrocession of jurisdiction shall take effect upon acceptance by the State of New Mexico.

Approved March 4, 1949.