approved May 9, 1942 (56 Stat. 273), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "This Act shall be effective with respect to any lands so withdrawn only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn."

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 705]

AN ACT

Relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Governor of the Panama Canal is authorized to grant additional compensation to policemen, firemen, and school teachers employed by the Panama Canal, corresponding to the additional compensation granted to similar employees of the District of Columbia by the Act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of certain employees of the municipal government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved June 30, 1949, as of the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948.

Sec. 2. No retroactive compensation shall be payable by reason of the enactment of this Act in the case of any person who is not an employee of the Panama Canal on the date of enactment of this Act, except that such retroactive compensation shall be paid a retired employee for services rendered between the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948, and the date of his retirement.

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 706]

AN ACT

To authorize the appointment of three additional judges of the municipal court for the District of Columbia and to prescribe the qualifications of appointees to the municipal court and the municipal court of appeals, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the number of judges authorized by the Act approved April 1, 1942 (56 Stat. 190, D. C. Code, title 11, sec. 752), is hereby increased from ten to thirteen. Appointments and reappointments in the case of the additional judges authorized by this Act shall be for a term of ten years each.

Sec. 2. Section 2 and the fourth paragraph of section 6 of such Act of April 1, 1942, are hereby amended by striking out "bona fide resident of the District of Columbia and maintaining an actual place of abode therein" and inserting in lieu thereof "bona fide resident of the area consisting of the District of Columbia; Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties, Maryland; Arlington and Fairfax Counties, Virginia; and the city of Alexandria, Virginia, and maintaining an actual place of abode in such area".

Sec. 3. Section 2 of such Act of April 1, 1942, is hereby amended by striking out "further, all appointees shall have been actively engaged in the practice of the law in the District of Columbia for a period of at least five years immediately prior to their appointment" and in lieu thereof insert the following: "further, all appointees shall have been members of the bar of the District of Columbia for a period of at least five years, and shall have been actively engaged in the private practice of law in the District of Columbia for a period of at least five consecutive years immediately prior to their appointment, or shall have been employed as an attorney in the District of Columbia.