SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act shall take effect on the first day of the first calendar month beginning after the date of enactment of this Act.

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[CHAPTER 724]

AN ACT

To amend section 6 of the Federal Airport Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of the Federal Airport Act is amended by deleting the second sentence of subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “All sums so apportioned for a State shall, during the fiscal year for which they are originally appropriated, be available only for grants for approved projects located in that State, or sponsored by that State or some public agency thereof but located in an adjoining State, and thereafter any portion of such sums which remains unexpended or unobligated shall be redistributed and reapportioned as provided in subsection (c) of this section.” and by adding thereto a new subsection (c) as follows:

“(c) At the expiration of each fiscal year any funds apportioned for a State pursuant to this section which have not been expended or obligated for approved projects located in that State or sponsored by that State or some public agency thereof but located in an adjoining State, shall be redistributed and reapportioned in accordance with the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of this section governing the distribution and apportionment of newly appropriated funds.”

SEC. 2. All funds apportioned among the States pursuant to subsection (a) of section 6 of the Federal Airport Act out of appropriations for the fiscal years 1947, 1948, and 1949, which, ninety days after the effective date of this Act, shall remain unexpended or unobligated for approved projects sponsored by such States or public agencies thereof, shall then be redistributed and reapportioned in accordance with the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of said section 6 of the Federal Airport Act governing the distribution and apportionment of subsequently appropriated funds.

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[CHAPTER 725]

AN ACT

To authorize the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (1) for the purpose of encouraging the filing of water-right applications on lands within the Yuma reclamation project by the reduction or elimination of increases in construction charges imposed by the provisions of section 9 of the Reclamation Extension Act (Act of August 13, 1914, 38 Stat. 686, 689), the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, may from time to time withdraw or modify by public notice any public notice or public notices applicable to said project issued under the Federal reclamation laws (Act of June 17, 1902, 32 Stat. 388, and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto); and (2) for the additional purpose of making such adjustments with reference to water-right applications and other contracts affected by such increases.

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as, in his judgment, are equitably required by reason of action taken under (1) above, the Secretary may by public notice make such modifications of water-right applications and contracts with water users' associations and others then in effect on said project as he may deem advisable and equitable: Provided, That nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to amend section 4 of the Reclamation Extension Act aforesaid. Credits arising from a reduction or elimination of increases in construction charges allowed by the Secretary hereunder shall be without interest and shall be applied at an equal rate per annum against construction charge installments thereafter to become due or, if and to the extent that such credits exceed such installments, as advance payments on operation and maintenance charges due or to become due: Provided, That no reduced rates or credits accruing pursuant to this Act in favor of any land-owner during any period while he holds in single ownership in excess of one hundred and sixty acres of irrigable land, upon which land the construction charges have not been paid in full, shall be allowed but such owners during the period of such excess ownership shall pay construction and other charges without credits or reductions allowable under this section.

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[CHAPTER 726]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the equitable title to all the buffalo owned by the United States on the Crow Indian Reservation, Montana, the legal title to such buffalo to be held by the United States in trust for the use and benefit of the Crow Indian Tribe. The Secretary of the Interior is further authorized, in his discretion, to grant to the said tribe the unrestricted title to any or all of such buffalo.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is further authorized, in his discretion, to grant to the tribe or tribes of any Indian reservation the unrestricted title to any buffalo now or hereafter held in trust for such tribes and deposit to the credit of such tribes either in their local treasury or in the Treasury of the United States the proceeds of sales of any buffalo previously held for the use and benefit of such tribes.

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[CHAPTER 727]

AN ACT

To authorize an appropriation for the making of necessary improvements in the cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Richmond, Kentucky.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of $6,100 is hereby authorized to be appropriated to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Army and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers for the relocation of, and the making of necessary improvements in, the cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Richmond, Kentucky.

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