notice, demand, or action brought: And provided further, That if the proper official or board of any such State, county, or municipality shall within such time limit, notify the Secretary of War that said State, county, or municipality desires to exercise such option but has not the money available with which to make the payment, then said land or such part thereof as may have been separately designated shall be held for sale to such State, county, or municipality for a period not to exceed two years from the date of such notification: Provided further, That where any of the lands referred to in section 1 are now under lease or license to any State for National Guard purposes, the State shall have the right to purchase said lands at their appraised value, and after purchase may sell any part of such lands as in the opinion of the Secretary of War may not be needed for the use of the National Guard of such State: And provided further, That the sale of Fort Gaines, Alabama, authorized to be sold under the Act of June 4, 1924, may be consummated under the provisions of this section at any time prior to the public sale thereof as provided in said Act.

Sec. 8. Six months after the date of the notification of said appraisal, if the option given in section 7 hereof shall not have been exercised in the manner herein specified, or after receipt by the Secretary of War of notice that the State, county, and municipality do not desire to exercise the option herein granted, the Secretary of War may sell or cause to be sold each of said properties at public sale at not less than the appraised value thereof, after advertisement in such manner as he may direct.

Sec. 9. The expenses of appraisal, survey, advertising, and all expenses incident to the sale of the property hereinbefore authorized for disposition shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale of any of the properties sold under this Act: Provided, That no auctioneer or person acting in said capacity shall be paid a fee for the sale of said property in excess of $100 a day.

Sec. 10. A full report of all transfers and sales made under the provisions of this Act shall be submitted to Congress by the Secretary of War upon the consummation thereof.

Sec. 11. Hereafter if any real property acquired for military purposes becomes useless for such purposes, the Secretary of War is directed to report such fact to Congress in order that authorization for its disposition in accordance with this Act may be granted.

Sec. 12. The authority granted by this Act repeals all prior legislative authority granted to the Secretary of War to sell or transfer any of the reservations herein designated.

Approved, March 12, 1926.

CHAP. 56.—Joint Resolution To regulate the expenditure of the appropriation for Government participation in the National Sesquicentennial Exposition.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the appropriation made in the first deficiency Act, fiscal year 1926, to enable the Government of the United States to participate in the National Sesquicentennial Exposition, may be expended for the purposes enumerated in that Act without regard to the provisions of any other Act relating to the expenditure of public moneys or the employment of personal services, on the certificate of the National Sesquicentennial Exhibition Commission that the materials or services were necessary to enable the United States Government to participate in said exposition: Provided, That this authority shall not be construed to waive the submission of accounts and vouchers to the General Accounting Office for audit.

Approved, March 15, 1926.