the said State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, including any future allocation of Federal-aid highway funds or grants to the said States of Pennsylvania, Maryland, and to the District of Columbia. The passage of this Act does not commit the United States to build the said highway or boulevard at Federal expense, and if authorized the Federal funds for the construction of the said highway or boulevard will be the allocations that may accrue to the said States and the District of Columbia in future appropriations of Federal-aid highway and grant funds. Any appropriations under the authority of this Act shall be deducted from the next regular apportionment or allocation of Federal-aid highway funds or Federal-grant highway funds, under existing or future authorizations as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture to Pennsylvania, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

SEC. 7. That the term of Commission hereby created shall expire within one year after the completion of the proposed boulevard or highway.

SEC. 8. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

Approved, May 20, 1935.

[CHAPTER 135.]

AN ACT

Granting a leave of absence to settlers of homestead lands during the year 1935.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any homestead settler or entryman who, during the calendar year 1935, should find it necessary, because of economic conditions, to leave his homestead to seek employment in order to obtain the necessaries of life for himself and family or to provide for the education of his children may, upon filing with the register of the district, his affidavit, supported by corroborating affidavits of two disinterested persons showing the necessity of such absence, be excused from compliance with the requirements of the homestead laws as to residence, cultivation, improvements, expenditures, or payment of purchase money, as the case may be, during all or any part of the calendar year 1935, and said entries shall not be open to contest or protest because of failure to comply with such requirements during such absence; except that the time of such absence shall not be deducted from the actual residence required by law, but a period equal to such absence shall be added to the statutory life of the entry; Provided, That any entryman holding an unperfected entry on ceded Indian lands may be excused from the requirements of residence upon the conditions provided herein, but shall not be entitled to extension of time for the payment of any installment of the purchase price of the land except upon proof satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior that the entryman is acting in good faith and is financially unable to make the payments due, and upon payment of interest, in advance, at the rate of 4 per centum per annum on the principal of any unpaid purchase price from the date when such payment or payments became due to and inclusive of the date of the expiration of the period of relief granted hereunder.

Approved, May 22, 1935.