in the opinion of said Commission, it may deem necessary from time to time until the said proceeding or the litigation arising therefrom is completed, the money so paid to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the appropriation account known as 'Miscellaneous trust fund deposit, District of Columbia' and to be disbursed in the manner provided for by law for other expenditures of the government of the District of Columbia, for such purposes as may be approved by the Public Utilities Commission. Any unexpended balance of such sum or sums so deposited shall be returned to the utility depositing the same: Provided, That the amount expended by the Commission in any valuation or rate case shall not exceed one-half of 1 per centum of the existing valuation of the company investigated, and that the amount expended in all other investigations shall not exceed one-tenth of 1 per centum of the existing valuation for any one company for any one year.”

Sec. 4. If any provision of this Act or the application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Act and of the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Sec. 5. No proceeding or litigation, except a proceeding involving solely the valuation of the property of any public utility, pending in any court in the District of Columbia on the date of the approval of this Act, shall be affected by any of the provisions hereof.

Approved, August 27, 1935.

[CHAPTER 743.]

AN ACT
To amend the Filled Milk Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of March 4, 1923, entitled "An Act to prohibit the shipment of filled milk in interstate or foreign commerce" (U. S. C., title 21, ch. 3) be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding at the end thereof the following section:

"Sec. 4. The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized and directed to make and enforce such regulations as may in his judgment be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act."

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[CHAPTER 744.]

AN ACT
To provide for the disposition, control, and use of surplus real property acquired by Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding any other provisions of law, whenever any real property located outside of the District of Columbia, exclusive of military or naval reservations, heretofore or hereafter acquired by any Federal agency, by judicial process or otherwise in the collection of debts, purchase, donation, condemnation, devise, forfeiture, lease, or in any other manner, is, in whole or in part, declared to be in excess of its needs by the Federal agency having control thereof, or by the President on recommendation of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Director of Procurement, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, is authorized (a) to assign or reassign to any Federal agency or agencies space therein: Provided, That if the Federal agency to which space is assigned does not desire to occupy the space
so assigned to it, the decision of the Director of Procurement shall be subject to review by the President; or (b) pending a sale, to lease such real property on such terms and for such period not in excess of five years as he may deem in the public interest; or (c) to sell the same at public sale to the highest responsible bidder upon such terms and after such public advertisement as he may deem in the public interest.

Sec. 2. Whenever after investigation it is determined by the Director of Procurement that any such real property should be used for the accommodation of any Federal agency or agencies, the Director of Procurement is authorized to make any repairs thereto or alterations thereof which he deems necessary or advisable and to maintain and operate the same. To the extent that the appropriations of the Procurement Division not otherwise allocated are inadequate for such repairs, alterations, maintenance, or operation, the Director of Procurement may require each Federal agency to which space has been assigned therein pursuant to the provisions of section 1 of this Act to pay promptly by check to the Procurement Division out of its appropriation for rent, either in advance of or upon or during occupancy of such space, all or part of the estimated or actual cost of such repairs, alterations, maintenance, and operation: Provided, That the total amount so to be paid shall be determined and equitably apportioned by the Director of Procurement among the Federal agencies to whom space has been so assigned: Provided further, That the amount so charged against any Federal agency shall be computed at a rate not in excess of that paid as rent by such agency immediately preceding such assignment for space in lieu of which space is so assigned to it, and if it is less the difference shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts: And provided further, That in the event such space is not assigned in lieu of existing space, the amount so charged shall be computed at a rate not in excess of that which the Director of Procurement determines, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, would have been paid as rent for corresponding space during the current fiscal year, and if it is less the difference shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts. If a Federal agency subject to this proviso disagrees with the amount the Director of Procurement so determines would have been paid as rent, the determination of the Director of Procurement shall be subject to review by the President.

Sec. 3. The Director of Procurement, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, is further authorized to procure space by lease, on such terms and for such period not in excess of five years as he may deem in the public interest, for the housing of any Federal agency or agencies outside of the District of Columbia, except the Post Office Department, and to assign and reassign space therein in the same manner as is authorized with respect to surplus real property by section 1 of this Act, and to require the Federal agencies to whom space is assigned therein to pay the total expenditures required under such lease during its entire term in the manner specified in section 2 of this Act.

Sec. 4. The Director of Procurement, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, is authorized to make such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 5. The term "Federal agency", as used in this Act, means any executive department, independent establishment, commission, board, bureau, division, or office in the executive branch, or other agency of the United States, including corporations wholly owned by the United States.

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