

[CHAPTER 177]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Treasury to exchange certain equipment in part payment for new equipment of the same or similar character.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy, insofar as Navy property is concerned, and the Secretary of the Treasury, insofar as Coast Guard property is concerned, are respectively authorized to exchange motor-propelled vehicles, airplanes, engines, and parts thereof, and obsolete, unsuitable, and unserviceable machines and tools, and parts thereof, in part payment for new equipment of the same or similar character as those proposed to be exchanged.

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[H. R. 4105]
[Public Law 104]

Navy and Coast
Guard.
Exchange of equip-
ment authorized.

[CHAPTER 187]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to release certain interests in certain land which adjoins the Shark River Coast Guard Station, in Monmouth County, New Jersey.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed, to the estate of James A. Bradley, deceased, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to property owned by the estate of James A. Bradley, deceased, which adjoins the Shark River Coast Guard Station, in Monmouth County, New Jersey.

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Shark River Coast
Guard Station, N. J.
Release of U. S.
interests in adjacent
land.

[CHAPTER 188]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act for the establishment of marine schools, and for other purposes", approved March 4, 1911, as amended, with respect to the location of the nautical school at the port of San Francisco.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the Act entitled "An Act for the establishment of marine schools, and for other purposes", approved March 4, 1911, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"The port of San Francisco specified in the first paragraph of this section shall be construed as embracing, in addition to the city of San Francisco, any city, town, municipality, or other locality on the San Francisco Bay or the San Pablo Bay or waters tributary thereto."

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[Public Law 106]

Marine schools.
36 Stat. 1353.
84 U. S. C. §§ 1121-
1123.

Port of San Fran-
cisco construed.

[CHAPTER 189]

AN ACT

Authorizing expenditures for the Office of Government Reports in the Executive Office of the President.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated annually to the Office of Government Reports in the Executive Office of the President a sum not exceeding \$1,500,000 in order to (a) provide a central clearing house through which individual citizens, organizations of citizens, and State or local

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[Public Law 107]

Executive Office of
the President.
Office of Govern-
ment Reports, annual
appropriation author-
ized.
Post, p. 542.

governmental bodies may transmit inquiries and complaints and receive advice and information; (b) assist the President in dealing with special problems requiring the clearance of information between the Federal Government and State and local governments and private institutions; (c) collect and distribute information concerning the purposes and activities of executive departments and agencies for the use of the Congress, administrative officials, and the public; and (d) keep the President currently informed of the opinions, desires, and complaints of citizens and groups of citizens and of State and local governments with respect to the work of Federal agencies: *Provided*, That, in the expenditure of such funds, section 3709 of the Revised Statutes shall not be construed to apply to any purchase or service where the aggregate amount involved does not exceed \$50: *Provided further*, That the President may fix the salary of the Director of the Office of Government Reports at a rate of not more than \$10,000 per annum.

Approved, June 9, 1941.

Proviso.
Minor purchases.
41 U. S. C. § 5.

Salary of Director.

[CHAPTER 190]

AN ACT

To extend the operations of the Disaster Loan Corporation and the Electric Home and Farm Authority, to provide for increasing the lending authority of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, 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 Act approved February 11, 1937 (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supplement V, title 15, sec. 605k-1), as amended, is hereby amended by striking out "in the years 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, or 1940" and inserting in lieu thereof "occurring during the period between January 1, 1936, and January 22, 1947".

SEC. 2. Section 1 of the Act approved March 31, 1936 (49 Stat. 1186), as amended, is hereby amended by striking out "June 30, 1941" and inserting in lieu thereof "January 22, 1947".

SEC. 3. (a) The first sentence of section 10 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, is hereby amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof the following: "except as provided in section 4 (a) of the Public Debt Act of 1941".

(b) Section 10 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentences: "The exemptions provided for in the preceding sentence with respect to taxation (which shall, for all purposes, be deemed to include sales, use, storage, and purchase taxes) shall be construed to be applicable not only with respect to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation but also with respect to (1) the Defense Plant Corporation, the Defense Supplies Corporation, the Metals Reserve Company, the Rubber Reserve Company, and any other corporation heretofore or hereafter organized or created by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation under section 5d of this Act, as amended, to aid the Government of the United States in its national-defense program, (2) The RFC Mortgage Company, the Federal National Mortgage Association, and any other public corporation heretofore or hereafter organized by or at the instance of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and (3) the Disaster Loan Corporation, and any other public corporation which is now or which may be hereafter wholly financed and wholly managed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Such exemptions shall also be construed to be applicable to the loans made, and personal property owned, by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or by any corporation

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[Public Law 108]

Disaster Loan Corporation.

53 Stat. 510.
15 U. S. C. 605k-1.
Lending authority extended.

Electric Home and Farm Authority, continuance.
53 Stat. 510.

RFC obligations, tax exemptions; exception.

47 Stat. 9.
15 U. S. C. § 610.
Ante, p. 9.

Applicability of exemptions to designated corporations.

48 Stat. 1108.
15 U. S. C. § 606b.

Loans and personal property.