

Pennsylvania Avenue, E Street, Ninth Street, and Tenth Street, Southeast, to the Board of Management of the Temporary Home for Soldiers and Sailors, for the purpose of a temporary home for ex-soldiers and sailors, for a period of fifteen years, upon the same terms and conditions as those existing in the present lease, notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of August 29, 1916 (39 Stat. pp. 559-560): *Provided*, That when the said property shall cease to be used for said purposes said lease shall be automatically terminated and the said property shall revert to the full custody and control of the Navy Department.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to execute on behalf of the United States all instruments necessary to accomplish the aforesaid purposes.

Approved, April 8, 1942.

[CHAPTER 239]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 301 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended, is amended by striking out "sections 1 and 202" and inserting in lieu thereof "sections 1, 202, 401, and 402".

SEC. 2. Section 304 of such Act of October 14, 1940, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "As used in this section the term 'local municipalities' shall include the District of Columbia."

SEC. 3. (a) Section 306 of such Act of October 14, 1940, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "As used in this section the term 'State' shall include the District of Columbia."

(b) Section 307 of such Act of October 14, 1940, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "As used in this section the term 'State' shall include the District of Columbia."

SEC. 4. Such Act of October 14, 1940, as amended, is amended by adding after section 312 thereof the following new title:

"TITLE IV

"SEC. 401. (a) The sum of \$30,000,000, to remain available until expended, is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the purpose of enabling the National Housing Agency to provide housing in or near the District of Columbia (including living quarters for single persons and for families) for employees of the United States whose duties are determined by the National Housing Administrator to be essential to national defense and to require them to reside in or near the District of Columbia.

"(b) In providing the housing for which an appropriation is authorized by subsection (a) of this section, the National Housing Administrator is authorized to exercise all of the powers specified in subsections (a) and (b) of section 1 of this Act, subject to the limitations, upon exercise of such powers specified in such subsections.

"(c) The funds authorized to be appropriated by this section shall be available to pay administrative expenses in connection with pro-

34 U. S. C. § 522.
Proviso.

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Defense housing,
amendments.
55 Stat. 363.
42 U. S. C., Supp. I,
§ 1541.

54 Stat. 1127; 55
Stat. 363; *ante*, p. 12.
42 U. S. C., Supp.
I, § 1544.

Ante, p. 12.

54 Stat. 1128; 55
Stat. 363.
42 U. S. C., Supp. I,
§ 1547.

Ante, p. 13.

D. C. housing.
Appropriation au-
thorized.
Post, p. 634.

Powers of National
Housing Administra-
tor.
54 Stat. 1126.
42 U. S. C., Supp.
I, § 1521.
Ante, pp. 11, 13.

Administrative ex-
penses.

viding the housing for which such funds are authorized to be appropriated.

“(d) The housing provided with funds authorized to be appropriated by this section may be sold and disposed of as expeditiously as possible: *Provided*, That in disposing of said housing consideration shall be given to its full market value and said housing or any part thereof shall not, unless specifically authorized by Congress, be conveyed to any public or private agency organized for slum clearance or to provide subsidized housing for persons of low income.

“SEC. 402. (a) The sum of \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended, is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the purpose of enabling the Federal Works Administrator to provide public works and equipment therefor in and near the District of Columbia. Such public works may include, but shall not be limited to, schools, water-works, sewers, public sanitary facilities, works for the treatment and purification of water, hospitals and other places for the care of the sick, recreational facilities, streets, roads, facilities for the disposal of sewage, garbage, and refuse, and other types of necessary public works.

“(b) In providing the public works and equipment therefor for which appropriations are authorized by subsection (a) of this section, the Federal Works Administrator is authorized to exercise all of the powers specified in subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section 202 of this Act. Such public works and equipment therefor shall be provided subject to the provisions of section 203 of this Act.

“(c) The funds authorized to be appropriated by this section shall be available to pay administrative expenses in connection with providing the public works and equipment therefor for which such funds are authorized to be appropriated.

“SEC. 403. (a) The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to accept for the District of Columbia, and the Federal Works Administrator is authorized to make to the District of Columbia, advancements for the provision of public works and equipment therefor, such advancements to be deposited with the Secretary of the Treasury to the credit of the District of Columbia.

“(b) Sums advanced to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia hereunder shall be available for the provision, without reference to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, of any or all public works and equipment therefor described in section 402 hereof, and for administrative expenses in connection therewith, including employment of engineering and other professional services and other technical and administrative personnel without reference to the civil-service requirements or the Classification Act of 1923, as amended. The repayment of any sums so advanced and the payment of interest thereon shall be in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as are set forth in sections 3 and 4 of the Act of December 20, 1941 (Public Law Numbered 362, Seventy-seventh Congress).

“(c) The Commissioners shall submit with their annual estimates to the Congress a report of their activities and expenditures under this section.

“SEC. 404. As used in this Act the term ‘Federal Works Administrator’ or ‘Administrator’, or ‘Federal Works Agency’ shall, with respect to housing, be deemed to refer to the National Housing Administrator or the National Housing Agency, as the case may be. Such terms shall, with respect to public works and equipment therefor, be deemed to refer to the Federal Works Administrator or the Federal Works Agency, as the case may be.”

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Disposal of housing.

Proviso.

Public works. Appropriation authorized. *Post*, p. 634.

Powers of Federal Works Administrator.

55 Stat. 362.
42 U. S. C., Supp. I,
§§ 1532, 1533.

Administrative expenses.

Advancements for public works.

Availability of sums.

41 U. S. C. § 5.
Supra.

42 Stat. 1488.
5 U. S. C. §§ 661-674;
Supp. I, ch. 13.
Post, p. 733.

55 Stat. 848.

Report to Congress.

Terms construed.