

such provisions, and, as an incident thereto, to compensate such person for any loss of wages or benefits suffered by reason of such employer's unlawful action. The court shall order a speedy hearing in any such case and shall advance it on the calendar. Upon application to the United States district attorney or comparable official for the district in which such private employer maintains a place of business, by any person claiming to be entitled to the benefits of such provisions, such United States district attorney or official, if reasonably satisfied that the person so applying is entitled to such benefits, shall appear and act as attorney for such person in the amicable adjustment of the claim or in the filing of any motion, petition, or other appropriate pleading and the prosecution thereof to specifically require such employer to comply with such provisions: *Provided*, That no fees or court costs shall be taxed against the person so applying for such benefits.

Representation by U. S. district attorney.

Fees or costs.

Sec. 4. Employees of the United States Government, its Territories or possessions, or the District of Columbia (including employers of any corporation created under authority of an Act of Congress which is either wholly controlled or wholly owned by the United States Government, or any corporation, all the stock of which is owned or controlled by the United States Government, or any department, agency, or establishment thereof, whether or not the employees thereof are paid from funds appropriated by Congress), who, subsequent to May 1, 1940, shall have entered upon service in the merchant marine, shall be entitled to receive, in addition to any pay for such service, compensation in their civilian positions covering their accumulated or current accrued leave, or to elect to have such leave remain to their credit until their return from such service.

Government employees. Compensation or credit for leave.

Sec. 5. The Administrator, War Shipping Administration, may make such rules and regulations as he deems necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Rules and regulations.

Approved June 23, 1943.

[CHAPTER 143]

AN ACT

To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Memphis, Tennessee.

June 23, 1943  
[H. R. 1702]  
[Public Law 88]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River, at or near Memphis, authorized to be built by the Memphis and Arkansas Bridge Commission by an Act of Congress approved August 10, 1939, and heretofore extended by an Act of Congress approved September 27, 1940, are further extended two and four years, respectively, from August 10, 1942.

Mississippi River. Time extended for bridging, at Memphis, Tenn.

53 Stat. 1338; 54 Stat. 962.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved June 23, 1943.

[CHAPTER 144]

AN ACT

Relating to the use and operation by the United States of certain plants, mines, and facilities in the prosecution of the war, and preventing strikes, lock-outs, and stoppages of production, and for other purposes.

June 25, 1943  
[S. 796]  
[Public Law 89]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That this Act may be cited as the "War Labor Disputes Act".

War Labor Disputes Act.