Marine Corps Reserve, and the Coast Guard Reserve, and he may prescribe the amount of a cash allowance to be paid to such enlisted men in any case in which clothing is not so furnished to them.”

Approved July 1, 1947.

[CHAPTER 203]

AN ACT
To authorize the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to pay certain expenses incident to training, attendance, and participation of personnel of the Army of the United States and of the naval service, respectively, in the Seventh Winter Sports Olympic Games and the Fourteenth Olympic Games and for future Olympic games.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy are hereby authorized to direct the training and attendance of personnel of the Army of the United States and of the naval service, respectively, as participants in the Seventh Winter Sports Olympic Games and the Fourteenth Olympic Games and future Olympic games: Provided, That the Secretary of War is further authorized to direct the training and attendance of animals of the Army of the United States for such games: Provided further, That the expenses in amounts not to exceed $75,000 for the Army and $50,000 for the Navy, incident to the training, attendance, and participation in the Seventh Winter Sports Olympic Games and the Fourteenth Olympic Games, including the use of such supplies, material, and equipment as in the opinion of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, respectively, may be necessary, may be charged to the appropriations for the support of the Army and appropriations for the Navy Department and the naval service, respectively, for the fiscal years 1948 and 1949: And provided further, That applicable allowances which are or may be fixed by law or regulations for participation in other military activities shall not be exceeded.

Approved July 1, 1947.

[CHAPTER 204]

AN ACT
To authorize the transfer to the Panama Canal of property which is surplus to the needs of the War Department or Navy Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the War Department and the Navy Department are authorized to transfer to the Panama Canal, regardless of present location and without charge to the Panama Canal, materials, supplies, tools, and equipment of every character, including structures, vessels, and floating equipment, which are surplus to the needs of the department having title thereto and which may be certified by the Governor of the Panama Canal as necessary for the care, maintenance, operation, improvement, sanitation, and government of the Panama Canal and Canal Zone.

Approved July 2, 1947.

[CHAPTER 206]

AN ACT
Making appropriations to meet emergencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, 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 following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year 1948, and for other purposes, namely:
INDEPENDENT OFFICES

OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT REPORTS

There is hereby appropriated such amount as may be necessary to enable the Office of Government Reports to continue in operation at the same rate and under the same authority as provided for such agency in the fiscal year 1947 until the date of enactment of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1948.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is hereby authorized to disburse, during the month of July 1947, one-twelfth of the amount provided in each appropriation for the Veterans' Administration included in H. R. 3839 as passed by the House of Representatives and there are hereby appropriated such amounts as may be necessary for such disbursements: Provided, That amounts expended hereunder shall be deducted from such appropriation for 1948 when H. R. 3839 is enacted into law.

Automobiles and other conveyances for disabled veterans: The authority and funds provided under this heading in the First Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1947 (Public Law 663, 79th Congress) are hereby continued available until June 30, 1948.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The following sums are appropriated for the District of Columbia out of any money in the Treasury to the credit of the District of Columbia not otherwise appropriated, toward expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948:

- Employees' compensation fund, $15,000.
- Repairs and maintenance of buildings and grounds, public schools, $50,000.
- Operating expenses, Public Library, $10,000.
- Operating expenses, Recreation Department, $50,000.
- Salaries and expenses, Metropolitan Police, $10,000.
- Salaries and expenses, Fire Department, $10,000.
- Policemen's and Firemen's Relief, $50,000.
- Salaries and expenses, agency services, Public Welfare, $205,000.
- Operating expenses, Office of Superintendent of District Buildings, Public Works, $50,000.
- Operating expenses, Electrical Division, Public Works, $10,000.
- Salaries and expenses, Central Garage, Public Works, $10,000.
- Operating expenses, Street and Bridge Divisions (payable from highway fund), $50,000.
- Salaries and expenses, Department of Vehicles and Traffic (payable from highway fund), $10,000.
- Salaries and expenses, Division of Trees and Parking (payable from highway fund), $10,000.
- Operating expenses, Refuse Division, Public Works, $150,000.
- Operating expenses, Sewer Division, Public Works, $50,000.
- Capital outlay, Sewer Division, Public Works, $50,000.
- Operating expenses, Washington Aqueduct (payable from water fund), $23,000.

The foregoing sums for the District of Columbia shall, unless otherwise specifically provided, be paid out of the general fund of the District of Columbia as defined in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1947, and shall be deducted from the appropriations for the same purposes contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1948, when enacted into law.
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY

Control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest: To enable the Secretary of Agriculture, during July 1947, to control and eradicate foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest as authorized by the Act of February 28, 1947 (Public Law 8), and the Act of May 29, 1884, as amended (7 U. S. C. 391; 21 U. S. C. 111-122), including expenses in accordance with section 2 of said Public Law 8, $5,000,000, to be merged with the appropriation made under this head in the Second Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1947 (Public Law 122).

SUGAR RATIONING ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and expenses: To enable the Secretary of Agriculture to perform, during July 1947, the functions and duties vested in him by the Sugar Control Extension Act of 1947 (Public Law 30), $750,000, including personal services in the District of Columbia; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946; printing and binding; not to exceed $10,000 for test purchases of commodities and ration currency for enforcement purposes; and hire of passenger motor vehicles: Provided, That not to exceed $40,000 may be transferred to the regular departmental appropriation for penalty mail as required by the Act of June 28, 1944: Provided further, That of the amount herein $400,000 shall be available exclusively for terminal leave.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to incur obligations for administrative and force account expenses for the continued operation of any activity of the Department of the Interior for which provision is made in H. R. 3123, a bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and for other purposes, or in any Senate amendment thereto, but for which obligations may not be incurred under the provisions of section 102 of the Second Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1947 (Public Law 122), and for War Agency Liquidation in accordance with the terms of the Budget estimate contained in House Document Numbered 312: Provided, That such obligations shall not exceed the rate of obligation provided for such activity for the fiscal year 1947: Provided further, That the authority conferred hereunder shall continue until July 31, 1947, or until the date of enactment of H. R. 3123 into law, whichever is the earlier date, except in the case of War Agency Liquidation, which authority shall extend until the date of approval of the appropriation Act providing the supplemental appropriation for this activity for the fiscal year 1948.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

UNITED STATES CONCILIATION SERVICE

For salaries and expenses from July 1, 1947, to August 21, 1947, United States Conciliation Service, including printing and binding, travel, penalty mail, and all expenses authorized for such service in the Department of Labor Appropriation Act, 1947, $430,000.

Sec. 2. Section 102 of the Second Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1947, is amended by striking out the last two words of such section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: "provisions of such appropriation Acts as passed by the House or of any Senate
amendment thereto: Provided, That such obligations shall be limited to administrative and force account expenses and not exceed the rate of obligation under any corresponding appropriation for the fiscal year 1947: Provided further, That the authority conferred hereunder shall continue until July 31, 1947, or until the date of enactment of such appropriation Act, whichever is the earlier date: Provided further, That in the case of any activity (including the District of Columbia) for which funds were provided by Congress for 1947 and for which an estimate for the fiscal year 1948 was submitted by the President to the Congress prior to July 2, 1947, but for which no provision for an appropriation is contained in any bill pending in Congress on July 1, 1947, obligations therefor for administrative and force account expenses may be incurred at a rate not to exceed the rate of obligation under any corresponding appropriation for the fiscal year 1947 or the budget estimate for 1948, whichever is the smaller, but the authority conferred under this proviso shall expire on whichever of the following dates first occurs: (1) on July 31, 1947, (2) the date of enactment of an appropriation Act making an appropriation for such activity, or (3) the date both Houses shall have acted and failed to make an appropriation for such activity”.

SEC. 3. This Act may be cited as the “Emergency Appropriation Act, 1948”.

Approved July 3, 1947.

[CHAPTER 207]

AN ACT

For the establishment of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

DECLARATION OF POLICY

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared to be the policy of Congress to promote economy, efficiency, and improved service in the transaction of the public business in the departments, bureaus, agencies, boards, commissions, offices, independent establishments, and instrumentalities of the executive branch of the Government by—

(1) limiting expenditures to the lowest amount consistent with the efficient performance of essential services, activities, and functions;

(2) eliminating duplication and overlapping of services, activities, and functions;

(3) consolidating services, activities, and functions of a similar nature;

(4) abolishing services, activities, and functions not necessary to the efficient conduct of government; and

(5) defining and limiting executive functions, services, and activities.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMISSION ON ORGANIZATION OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

SEC. 2. For the purpose of carrying out the policy set forth in section 1 of this Act, there is hereby established a bipartisan commission to be known as the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government (in this Act referred to as the “Commission”).