[CHAPTER 477]

AN ACT

Authorizing additional research and investigation into problems and methods relating to the eradication of cattle grubs, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to protect, promote, and conserve livestock and livestock products and to minimize losses, the Secretary of Agriculture, either independently or in cooperation with States or subdivisions thereof, farmers' associations, and other organizations and individuals, it is authorized to increase and intensify research and investigations into problems and methods relating to the eradication of cattle grubs and to undertake measures to eradicate these parasites.

SEC. 2. As used in this Act, the term "State" includes the District of Columbia and the Territories and possessions of the United States. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this Act. Funds appropriated pursuant to this Act shall be expended in accordance with procedures prescribed by the Secretary.

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[CHAPTER 478]

AN ACT

To aid the associations, groups, organizations, and institutions encouraging participation of the youth of the country in athletic and sports programs by making surplus athletic equipment available to such associations, groups, organizations, and institutions, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a), notwithstanding the provisions of the Surplus Property Act of 1944, as amended, the War Assets Administrator is authorized to dispose of, without charge except for disassembling, transportation and delivery, to States, their political subdivisions and instrumentalities; to public and governmental institutions; to nonprofit or tax-supported educational institutions and organizations; to charitable and eleemosynary institutions and organizations; to nonprofit associations, groups, institutions, and organizations designated to promote, support, sponsor, or encourage the participation of the youth of the country in athletics, sports, and games any surplus personal property which is suitable for use in athletics, sports, or games by the youth of the country.

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(b) To aid in making surplus athletic equipment available to the youth of the country through associations, groups, organizations, and institutions sponsoring or promoting the participation of youth in athletics, sports, and games, any Government agency having a surplus of personal property which would be suitable for the purposes of this Act may declare such surplus to the War Assets Administrator who shall have authority to dispose of same in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

(c) Any surplus property suitable for use by the youth of the country in athletics, sports, and games, or any property owned by any agency of the Government hereafter declared surplus which may be so used, shall not be disposed of in any manner other than as provided in this Act unless the Administrator has given sufficient notice of such property available for disposal as herein provided and no request for such property has been received.

SEC. 2. (a) Any property so transferred shall be without restriction and without charge to the transferee except for disassembling, transporting, and delivering such property. The United States shall incur no obligation or liability in connection with the disassembling, transporting, or delivery of any property disposed of pursuant to this Act.

(b) The War Assets Administrator is hereby authorized to prescribe, amend, and rescind such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

(c) The War Assets Administrator is hereby authorized to determine the qualifications of the transferees under the provisions of this Act and his decision shall be final.

(d) The War Assets Administrator is hereby authorized to effect transfers under the provisions of this Act without regard to priority as between the transferees under this Act or any other law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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[CHAPTER 479]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to proceed with the construction of certain public works, 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 Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to establish or develop naval installations and facilities by the construction, installation, or equipment of temporary or permanent public works, including buildings, facilities, appurtenances, and utilities; or by the completion of such construction, installation, or equipment specifically approved by the Secretary of the Navy and heretofore undertaken as follows:

CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

Naval air station, Alameda, California: Test cells for turbine engines; $230,000.

Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland: Facilities for flight indoctrination, including the acquisition of land (two thousand four hundred acres); $12,000,000.

National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland: Chapel; $205,000.

Marine training and replacement command, Camp Joseph H. Pendleton, Oceanside, California: Acquisition of land, five hundred and seventy-five acres; $46,500.