of the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia which
now stand disallowed or would hereafter be disallowed, but for this
Act, by reason of lack of adequate or correct supporting vouchers and
documents, are hereby ratified and validated as to the United States
property and disbursing officers making the same, in such amounts
only as are found and determined by the Comptroller General of the
United States to be without substantial evidence of fraud or crimina-
ality or of timely knowledge of such fraud or criminality on the
part of the United States property and disbursing officer involved
and to have been actually expended in good faith or under bona fide
contract (1) for services which in fact have been rendered or (2) for
facilities which in fact have been furnished to the United States and
its agencies including the National Guard; all items so found shall
be passed to credit in the accounts of the property and disbursing
officers involved, and any settlement based thereon shall not be reopened
as against any such officer in the absence of new evidence of fraud or
criminality: Provided, That nothing herein shall be construed to pro-
hibit recovery from any payee of public moneys illegally or errone-
ously paid to such payee or to preclude the recovery from any such
property and disbursing officer or his surety of any balance found due
the Government under a settlement made as herein provided.

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[CHAPTER 511]

AN ACT

To provide for retention in the service of certain disabled Army and Air Force
personnel, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding
any other provision of law, the President is authorized and directed
to retain in service disabled officers, warrant officers, and flight officers
of the Army and the Air Force of the United States until their treat-
ment for physical reconstruction has reached a point where they will
not be further benefited by retention in a military hospital or in the
military service.

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[CHAPTER 512]

AN ACT

To amend the Act of Congress entitled “An Act to credit certain service per-
formed by members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast
and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service prior to reaching eighteen
years of age for the purpose of computing longevity pay, or for other pay
purposes”, approved March 6, 1946.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the first
section of the Act entitled “An Act to credit certain service performed
by members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast
and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service prior to reaching
eighteen years of age for the purpose of computing longevity pay,
or for other pay purposes”, approved March 6, 1946 (Public Law 309,
Seventy-ninth Congress), is amended by inserting immediately follow-
ing “Army,” the words “Air Force.”

(b) Section 2 of such Act is amended to read as follows: “The
provisions of this Act shall be effective from June 1, 1942.”

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