mortgages as provided in this subsection, in order to obtain funds
to make such payments notes may be issued and purchased in the
same manner as provided in section 13.”

Sec. 6. Amend subsection (a) of section 14 by adding at the end
thereof the following sentence: “Expenses and fees incident to fore-
closure may be advanced out of the fund for the account of the
mortgagor.”

Sec. 7. Amend subsection (b) of section 14 to read:
“(b) Amounts realized under section 51 on account of property
which was subject to an insured mortgage shall be deposited in the
fund. Amounts payable by the Secretary under section 50 with
respect to such property, and any necessary costs and expenditures
for the operation, preservation, and protection of such property, shall
be paid out of the fund.”

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 552]
AN ACT

To authorize the extension of leases of certain land in the Territory of Hawaii.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That where a lessee
of water-front lands in the Territory of Hawaii under lease on April 1,
1946, has spent substantial sums in repairing or replacing improve-
ments on such lands damaged or destroyed by the tidal wave of that
date, then notwithstanding any provision of the Organic Act of Hawaii
(31 Stat. 141), as amended, or of the laws of the Territory of Hawaii,
the Commissioner of Public Lands of the Territory of Hawaii, at the
request of the lessee, in his discretion may extend the term of the lease
at the original rental: Provided, That no lease is extended beyond
March 31, 1967.

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 553]
AN ACT

To authorize the establishment of Internships in the Department of Medicine and
Surgery of the Veterans' Administration.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (b),
15m (b)), is hereby amended to read as follows:
“(b) The Administrator shall have authority to establish residencies
and internships; to appoint qualified persons to such positions without
regard to civil-service or classification laws, rules, or regulations; and
to prescribe the conditions of such employment, including necessary
training, and the customary amount and terms of pay during the
period of such employment and training.”

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 554]
AN ACT

To amend the provisions of title VI of the Public Health Service Act relating to
standards of maintenance and operation for hospitals receiving aid under
that title.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (d)
of section 623 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, is amended to read:

“(d) If any State, prior to July 1, 1948, has not enacted legislation providing that compliance with minimum standards of maintenance and operation shall be required prior to that date (or, at the option of the State, required within such time after enactment of the legislation as the Surgeon General finds reasonable) in the case of hospitals which shall have received Federal aid under this title, such State shall not be entitled to any further allotments under section 624 until such time as such State has enacted such legislation. Upon enactment of such legislation after July 1, 1948, the prohibition in this subsection against further allotments to such State under this part shall no longer be effective and such State shall, subject to the other requirements of this part, be entitled to allotments under section 624 for the fiscal year in which such legislation is enacted and for the preceding fiscal year.”

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 555]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of such District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there are appropriated for the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, out of (1) the general fund of the District of Columbia, hereinafter known as the general fund, such fund being composed of the revenues of the District of Columbia other than those applied by law to special funds, and $11,000,000, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1948), (2) highway funds, established by law (D. C. Code, title 47, ch. 19), and (3) the water fund, established by law (D. C. Code, title 43, ch. 15) and $1,000,000, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1948), sums as follows:

From the general fund: All sums appropriated under the following heads: General administration, fiscal service, compensation and retirement fund expenses, regulatory agencies, public schools, Public Library, Recreation Department, Metropolitan Police, Fire Department, policemen’s and firemen’s relief, Veterans’ Services, courts, Health Department, Department of Corrections, public welfare, public works (excluding those items designated as payable from the highway and water funds), National Guard, National Capital Parks, National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and National Zoological Park;

From the highway fund: All sums appropriated under public works designated as payable from the highway fund; and

From the water fund: All sums appropriated under public works and Washington aqueduct, designated as payable from the water fund; namely:

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For expenses necessary for the offices named under this general head:

Executive office, plus so much as may be necessary to compensate the Engineer Commissioner at such rate in grade 8 of the professional