(b) Any such letter carrier or clerk who, prior to the date of enactment of this Act, has transferred from the position of letter carrier to that of clerk or from the position of clerk to that of letter carrier, as the case may be, and has incurred loss of seniority by reason of such transfer, shall be restored the seniority to which he would have been entitled if such transfer had not occurred if he presents to the Civil Service Commission evidence satisfactory to the Commission that such transfer was necessitated principally by reason of a disability which he received on active duty in the armed forces of the United States.

(c) No regular employee shall be reduced to substitute status to accord the benefits of this Act to another employee.

Approved June 22, 1948.

[CHAPTER 602]

AN ACT

Relating to the compensation of certain railway postal clerks.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso in the paragraph headed Railway Mail Service in the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and for other purposes", approved March 3, 1917, which reads "Provided further, That hereafter when railway postal clerks are transferred from one assignment to another because of changes in the service their salaries shall not be reduced by reason of such change:" (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 39, sec. 632), is hereby amended to read as follows: "Provided, however, That railway postal clerks of any grade transferred or reassigned after June 30, 1945, from one assignment or classification to another because of classification or changes in the service shall not be reduced in grade or salary by reason of such classification or change, and while serving in miscellaneous assignments they will be carried on the roster of their own organizations and retain the promotion status authorized by law for the positions from which withdrawn and be paid after this enactment by the hour for actual services performed when on other than road duty, and shall be paid for road services performed according to the time value of the trip of such road service including a proper allowance for all services required on lay-off periods, as are provided for regular employees assigned to road duty, until again restored to regular positions, the hourly rate for such pay to be determined by dividing the annual salary by 2024, the number of working hours in a year.

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[CHAPTER 604]

AN ACT

To amend section 19 of the Veterans' Preference Act of June 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 387), 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 final period in section 19 of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 (58 Stat. 387), be changed to a semicolon and that the following be added thereto: "Provided, That any recommendation by the Civil Service Commission, submitted to any Federal agency, on the basis of the appeal of any preference eligible, employee or former employee, shall be complied with by such agency."

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