

Premium of bond.

"Where any officer, during such time as his salary is fixed by this Act, is required to give a bond, the premium thereof shall be paid from the insular treasury."

39 Stat. 962.

SEC. 3. So much of section 34 of the Organic Act of Puerto Rico (U. S. C., title 48, sec. 838) as reads "Except as otherwise provided in this Act, no law shall extend the term of any public officer, or increase or diminish his salary or emoluments after his election or appointment, nor permit any officer or employee to draw compensation for more than one office or position." is amended to read as follows:

"Except as otherwise provided in this Act, no law shall extend the term of any public officer, permit any officer or employee to draw compensation for more than one office or position, or increase or diminish the salary or emoluments of any senator or representative during the term for which he is elected or appointed."

39 Stat. 960.

Ante, p. 579.

SEC. 4. Section 31 of the Organic Act of Puerto Rico (U. S. C., title 48, sec. 820) is amended by striking out "That members" and inserting in lieu thereof "Until otherwise prescribed pursuant to section 50 of this Act, members".

39 Stat. 957.

Ante, p. 579.

SEC. 5. Section 20 of the Organic Act of Puerto Rico (U. S. C., title 48, sec. 786) is amended by inserting after "\$6,000" the following: "or such other sum not less than that payable to the head of any executive department as may be prescribed pursuant to section 50 of this Act".

39 Stat. 958.

Ante, p. 579.

SEC. 6. Section 22 of the Organic Act of Puerto Rico (U. S. C., title 48, sec. 779) is amended by inserting after "\$5,000" the following: "or such other sum as may be prescribed pursuant to section 50 of this Act".

39 Stat. 964.

SEC. 7. The third and fourth sentences of section 38 of the Organic Act of Puerto Rico (U. S. C., title 48, sec. 750) are amended to read as follows: "The public service commissioner shall devote his entire time to his duties as such commissioner. Until otherwise prescribed pursuant to section 50 of this Act—

"(a) the salary of the public service commissioner shall be \$6,000 a year, and

"(b) the compensation of the associated members shall be \$10 for each day's attendance at the sessions of the commission, but in no case shall they receive more than \$1,000 during any one year."

Effective date.

SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect thirty days after the date of its enactment.

Approved June 24, 1948.

[CHAPTER 611]

AN ACT

To permit, subject to certain conditions, mining locations under the mining laws of the United States within that portion of the Harney National Forest, designated as a game sanctuary, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to the conditions herein provided, mining locations may be made under the general mining laws of the United States on lands of the United States situated within the exterior boundaries of that portion of the Harney National Forest designated as the Custer State Park Game Sanctuary, South Dakota, created pursuant to the provisions of the Act of June 5, 1920 (41 Stat. 986), as amended. A locator shall have the right to occupy and use so much of the surface of the land covered by the location as may be reasonably necessary to carry on prospecting and mining, including the taking of mineral deposits and timber

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required by or in the mining operations, and no permit shall be required or charge made for such use or occupancy: *Provided, however,* That the mining operations herein authorized shall be subject to such rules and regulations as the Secretary of Agriculture may deem necessary in furtherance of the purposes for which the said sanctuary was established: *Provided further,* That the cutting and removal of timber, except where clearing is necessary in connection with mining operations or to provide space for buildings or structures used in connection with mining operations, shall be conducted in accordance with the marking rules and timber sale practices applicable to the Harney National Forest, and no use of the surface of the claim or the resources therefrom not reasonably required for carrying on mining and prospecting shall be allowed except under the national-forest rules and regulations, nor shall the locator prevent or obstruct other occupancy of the surface or use of surface resources under authority of national-forest regulations, or permits issued thereunder, if such occupancy or use is not in conflict with mineral development: *Provided further,* That the Secretary of Agriculture in his discretion may prohibit the location of mining claims within six hundred and sixty feet of any Federal, State, or county road, and within such other areas where the location of mining claims would not be in the public interest: *And provided further,* That no patent shall be issued by the United States on any location filed pursuant to the authority contained in this Act.

Rules and regulations.

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Location of claims, restriction.

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Western boundary of sanctuary.

Sec. 2. To facilitate administration for the purpose for which the sanctuary has been established, the western boundary of the sanctuary lying north of Custer State Park is hereby redefined as follows:

Beginning at the east quarter corner of section 7, township 2 south, range 5 east, Black Hills meridian; thence south along said section line to its intersection with a line three hundred feet north of the Horse Thief Lake Road; thence southwesterly along a line three hundred feet northwesterly from the center line of said road and running approximately parallel thereto to the intersection of said road with United States Highway 85A; thence southerly along a line three hundred feet west of United States Highway 85A and approximately parallel thereto to the present south boundary of said sanctuary in section 3 south, range 4 east, Black Hills meridian.

Approved June 24, 1948.

[CHAPTER 612]

AN ACT

To amend Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), parts I and II, as amended, to establish a presumption of service connection for chronic and tropical diseases.

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[H. R. 3880]

[Public Law 748]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subparagraph (c) of paragraph I, part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby amended by substituting a colon for the period at the end thereof and adding the following: "*Provided further,* That the term 'chronic disease' as used in this paragraph shall include anemia, primary; arteriosclerosis; arthritis, bronchiectasis; calculi of the kidney, bladder, or gall bladder; cardiovascular-renal disease, including hypertension, myocarditis, Buerger's disease and Raynaud's disease; cirrhosis of the liver; coccidiomycosis; endocarditis; diabetes, mellitus; endocrinopathies; epilepsies; Hodgkin's disease; leukemia, nephritis; osteitis, deformans; osteomalacia; organic diseases of the nervous system, including tumors of the brain, cord, or peripheral nerves; encephalitis lethargica residuals; scleroderma; tuberculosis, active; tumors, malignant; ulcers, peptic (gastric or duodenal) and

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