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CHAP. 2562.—An Act To authorize the receivers of public moneys for land districts to deposit with the Treasurer of the United States certain sums embraced in their accounts of unearned fees and unofficial moneys.

March 2, 1907.
[H. R. 11040.]
[Public, No. 221.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the receivers of public moneys for land districts are hereby authorized, under the direction of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to deposit to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States all unearned fees and unofficial moneys that have been carried upon the books of their respective offices for a period of five years or more, which sums shall be covered into the Treasury by warrant and carried to the credit of the parties from whom such fees or moneys were received, and into an appropriation account to be denominated "Outstanding liabilities."

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SEC. 2. That at the time of making such deposit the receiver shall furnish a list showing the date when the money was paid to him or to his predecessor; the names and residences of the parties; the purposes of the payments and the amounts thereof, which list shall bear the certificate of the register and receiver that the same is correct; that the amounts are due and payable; that diligence has been exercised to return the same, and that the sums specified have remained unclaimed for a period of five years or more.

Lists to be furnished.

SEC. 3. That amounts that appear in a receiver's accounts as "Moneys deposited by unknown parties" shall also be deposited to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, accompanied by a list showing the amount and, if possible, the date of the receipt of each item; which list shall bear the certificate of the register and receiver that, after careful investigation, the ownership of said moneys could not be determined, and that they have been reported in the unearned fees and unofficial moneys accounts for five years or more.

Deposit of "Moneys deposited by unknown parties."
List.

SEC. 4. That any person or persons who shall have made payment to a receiver, or to his predecessor, and the money shall have been covered into the Treasury pursuant to section one or section three hereof, shall, on presenting satisfactory evidence of such payment to the proper officer of the Treasury Department, be entitled to have the same returned by the settlement of an account and the issuing of a warrant in his favor according to the practice in other cases of authorized and liquidated claims against the United States: *Provided*, That when such moneys shall remain unclaimed in the Treasury for more than five years the right to recover the same shall be barred: *Provided*, That no homestead entryman shall be required to make payment of the purchase money on any application to make a cash entry until the same shall have been approved by the register and receiver, but such payment shall be made within ten days after notice of such approval.

Repayment of deposits.

Provisos.
Time limit for recovery.

Payment of purchase money by homestead entrymen.

Approved, March 2, 1907.

CHAP. 2563.—An Act Authorizing and directing the Secretary of the Treasury, in certain contingencies, to refund to receivers of public moneys acting as special disbursing agents amounts paid by them out of their private funds.

March 2, 1907.
[H. R. 11044.]
[Public, No. 222.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any unexpended balances of appropriations for contingent expenses of land offices, for the expenses of hearings in land entries and the expenses of depositing public moneys, such sums as may have been or may hereafter be disbursed by receivers of public moneys, acting as special disbursing agents at United States land offices, before the receipt of Government funds: *Provided*, That no payment shall be made

Public lands.
Refund of amounts paid by receivers out of private funds while acting as special disbursing agents.

Provisos.
Restriction.