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Legislative.

LEGISLATIVE.

Senate.

SENATE.

Mileage.

For mileage of Senators, $51,000.

House of Representatives.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mileage.

For mileage of Representatives and Delegates and expenses of Resident Commissioners, $175,000.

Approved, December 15, 1917.

December 18, 1917.
[H. J. Res. 193.]
[Pub. Res., No. 18.]

CHAP. 4.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the payment of salaries of officers and employees of Congress for December, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Congressional officers, etc., to be paid December, 1917, salaries on day of adjournment for holiday recess.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives are authorized and instructed to pay the officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, including the Capitol police, their respective salaries for the month of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen, on the day of adjournment of the present session for the holiday recess; and the Clerk of the House is authorized to pay on the same day to Members, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners their allowance for clerk hire for the said month of December.

Clerk hire of Members and Delegates.

Approved, December 18, 1917.

December 20, 1917.
[H. R. 6967.]
[Public, No. 93.]

CHAP. 5.—An Act To increase the number of midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy.

Naval Academy.
Allowance of midshipmen increased.
R. S., sec. 1513, p. 260, amended.
Vol. 39, pp. 9, 576, 1182.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter there shall be allowed at the United States Naval Academy five midshipmen for each Senator, Representative, and Delegate in Congress, one for Porto Rico, two for the District of Columbia, fifteen appointed each year at large, and one hundred appointed annually from enlisted men of the Navy, as now authorized by law.

Inconsistent laws repealed.

SEC. 2. That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, December 20, 1917.

December 20, 1917.
[S. 2334.]
[Public, No. 94.]

CHAP. 6.—An Act To authorize absence by homestead settlers and entrymen, and for other purposes.

Public lands.
Homesteaders allowed leave of absence for farm labor elsewhere.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That during the pendency of the existing war any homestead settler or entryman shall be entitled to a leave of absence from his land for the purpose of performing farm labor, and such absence, while actually engaged in farm labor, shall, upon compliance with the terms of this Act, be counted as constructive residence: *Provided*, That each settler or entryman within fifteen days after leaving his claim for the purpose herein provided shall file notice thereof in the United States Land Office, and at the expiration of the calendar year file in said land office of the district wherein his claim is situated a written statement, under oath and corroborated by two witnesses, giving the date or dates when he left his claim, date or

Provisos.
Notice before leaving claim.