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[S. 2594.]
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**CHAP. 694.**—An Act Transferring a portion of the lighthouse reservation, Ship Island, Mississippi, to the jurisdiction and control of the War Department.

Ship Island Lighthouse Reservation, Miss.

Portion transferred to Ship Island Military Reservation.

Military reservation to be appraised and sold.

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That so much of the lighthouse reservation, Ship Island, Mississippi, as the Secretary of Commerce deems unnecessary for lighthouse purposes is transferred to and made a part of Ship Island Military Reservation under the jurisdiction and control of the Secretary of War. Such Ship Island Military Reservation, with the portion of the Ship Island lighthouse reservation hereby made a part of it, shall be reappraised and disposed of subject to all the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the use for permanent construction at military posts of the proceeds from the sale of surplus War Department real property, and authorizing the sale of certain military reservations, and for other purposes," approved March 12, 1926.

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**CHAP. 695.**—An Act For the relief of former officers of the United States Naval Reserve Force and the United States Marine Corps Reserve who were released from active duty and disenrolled at places other than their homes or places of enrollment.

Naval Reserve Force and Marine Corps Reserve.

Mileage to be paid former officers of, for travel to their homes, when released from active duty, etc., at other places.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized to pay mileage at the rate of 8 cents per mile, computed by the shortest usually traveled route, for travel actually performed within one year from date and place of release from active duty or disenrollment to their homes or places of enrollment, to such former officers of the United States Naval Reserve Force or United States Marine Corps Reserve who have been released from active service or disenrolled under honorable conditions and not at his own request at places other than their homes or places of enrollment, upon the presentation by such former officers of satisfactory evidence showing that they actually performed such travel to their homes or places of enrollment: *Provided*, That the provisions of this Act shall be applicable only to former officers of the United States Naval Reserve Force or United States Marine Corps Reserve who were actually released from active duty or disenrolled under honorable conditions prior to July 1, 1922.

*Proviso.*
Applicable only to releases prior to July 1, 1922.

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[S. 5512.]
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**CHAP. 696.**—An Act To provide recognition for meritorious service by members of the police and fire departments of the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.

Medals to be awarded annually, to two members each of police and fire departments for conspicuously meritorious services.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That for the official recognition of outstanding acts in the line of duty by the members of the police and fire departments of the District of Columbia there shall be awarded annually one gold medal and one silver medal, appropriately inscribed, to those two members of each department who have by outstanding or conspicuous services earned such awards.

Committee to make awards.

SEC. 2. The awards shall be made annually by a committee of five persons, consisting of the head of each department and three civilians appointed by the commissioners of said District; all to serve without compensation on such committee of award.

Preference to holders thereof in making promotions.

SEC. 3. When promotions are being made in the departments the holders of such medals shall be preferred to other members of said departments, other things being equal.