

"SEC. 4. For the purpose of awarding compensation under the provisions of this Act, as amended, service connection of disability and degree thereof at date of death may be determined in any case where claim has been or is filed by the widow, child, or children of a deceased World War veteran, except that proof of 10-per-centum disability or more at date of death and evidence as to service connection may be filed at any time after date of enactment of this Act, or the date of death, and evidence required in connection with any claim must be submitted in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs."

SEC. 3. On and after the date of enactment of this Act for the purpose of payment of compensation under the laws administered by the Veterans' Administration, the term "widow of a World War veteran" shall mean a woman who was married prior to the date of enactment of this Act to the person who served: *Provided*, That all marriages shall be proven as valid marriages according to the law of the place where the parties resided at the time of marriage or the law of the place where the parties resided when the right to compensation accrued. Compensation shall not be allowed a widow who has remarried either once or more than once, and where compensation is properly discontinued by reason of remarriage it shall not thereafter be recommenced. No compensation shall be paid to a widow unless there was continuous cohabitation with the person who served from the date of marriage to date of death, except where there was a separation which was due to the misconduct of or procured by the person who served, without the fault of the widow.

SEC. 4. Sections 1 and 4 of Public Law Numbered 304, Seventy-fifth Congress, August 16, 1937 (U. S. C., title 38, secs. 509 and 472c, respectively), are hereby repealed.

Approved, May 13, 1938.

Determination of service connection of disability, etc.

Exception.

Evidence.

"Widow of a World War veteran" defined.

Proviso.
Proof of marriage.

Remarriage.

Continuous cohabitation requirement.

Sections repealed.
50 Stat. 660.
38 U. S. C., Supp. III, §§ 509, 472c.

[CHAPTER 215]

AN ACT

To improve the efficiency of the Lighthouse Service, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all appropriations hereafter made for "General Expenses Lighthouse Service" there is authorized to be made available not exceeding \$1,500 in any fiscal year, under rules prescribed by the Secretary of Commerce, for paying the actual and necessary traveling expenses of new appointees from ports of embarkation in the United States to first post of duty at isolated light stations, in districts outside the continental limits of the United States.

SEC. 2. That in all appropriations hereafter made for "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service" there is authorized to be made available not exceeding \$2,500 in any fiscal year, for the transportation, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Commerce, of the children of lighthouse keepers at isolated light stations where necessary to enable such children to attend school.

SEC. 3. Money accruing from commutation of rations and provisions for working parties in the field, officers and crews of light vessels and tenders, and officials and other authorized persons on board of such tenders or vessels, after payment on proper vouchers to the officer in charge of the mess of such vessel or party, as provided by law, may be expended and accounted for pursuant to regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Commerce, notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of June 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 1233).

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Lighthouse Service.
Payment of traveling expenses, new appointees in districts outside continental limits of United States.

Children of certain lighthouse keepers, school transportation.

Use of moneys accruing from commutation of rations.

48 Stat. 1233.
31 U. S. C. § 725s.