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Provided further, That employees' compensation under this Act shall not be paid concurrently with active-duty pay or pension based upon military service, and in the event a person becomes eligible for the benefits of the United States Employees' Compensation Act and is also eligible for, or is in receipt of, a pension based upon military service, he shall elect which benefit to receive: *Provided further*, That authorized training without pay is defined as inactive-status training under written authorization by competent military authority covering a specific training assignment and prescribing a time limit: *Provided further*, That for the purpose of determining the benefits to which entitled under the provisions of this Act members of the Officers' Reserve Corps or of the Enlisted Reserve Corps of the Army physically injured when engaged in authorized training without pay will be held and considered as receiving the pay and allowances they would have received if in a pay status: *Provided further*, That Reserve Officers entitled to the benefits of the last proviso of section 5 of the Act of April 3, 1939 (Public, Numbered 18, Seventy-sixth Congress), shall not be entitled to the benefits of this Act: *And provided further*, That nothing herein shall be construed to authorize compensation benefits for any period prior to the approval of this Act.

Benefits not paid concurrently with active-duty pay, etc.
Choice where also eligible to pension.

Authorized training without pay, definition.

Benefits for injuries when so engaged.

Disqualification if entitled to benefits under designated Act.
Ante, p. 557.

No prior benefits.

Approved, July 15, 1939.

[CHAPTER 285]

AN ACT

July 15, 1939
[S. 1118]
[Public, No. 180]

To provide for acceptance and cashing of Government pay checks of retired naval personnel and members of the Naval and Marine Corps Reserves by commissary stores and ship's stores ashore, located outside the continental limits of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 3639 and 3651, Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 521, 543), the Secretary of the Navy, in his discretion, may hereafter authorize the officer in charge of any commissary store or ship's store ashore, located outside the continental limits of the United States, to accept Government checks tendered by retired personnel of the Navy and Marine Corps and by members of the Naval and Marine Corps Reserves in payment of amounts due by such personnel to any such commissary store or ship's store ashore, and to refund, in cash, to the payees of the tendered checks any difference between the amounts due and the amounts of the tendered checks.

Government pay checks.
Acceptance of, by certain commissary stores, etc., from designated personnel.
R. S. §§ 3639, 3651.
31 U. S. C. §§ 521, 543.

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[CHAPTER 286]

AN ACT

July 15, 1939
[S. 1523]
[Public, No. 181]

To authorize the payment of burial expenses and expenses in connection with last illness and death of native employees who die while serving in offices abroad of executive departments of the United States Government.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the head of any executive department, which maintains permanent staffs of employees in foreign countries is hereby authorized to pay out of any appropriation available to the department concerned for miscellaneous or contingent expenses, burial expenses, and expenses in connection with last illness and death, not in excess of $100 in any one case, of the native employees of such department in those countries with respect to which the Secretary of State shall determine it is

Native employees serving in offices abroad of executive departments.
Payment of burial, etc., expenses in certain countries, authorized.
Limitation.