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sador, Minister, or Foreign Service officer, who is not otherwise entitled to an annuity under this section and who shall have served as such for the period mentioned in the following paragraph (1), shall nevertheless be entitled to the benefits thereof in the same manner and under the same conditions as Foreign Service officers, but subject to the following terms and conditions:

Terms and conditions.

Periods of service.
Special contribution.

"(1) Any person who has served as Ambassador or Minister, or a person appointed to a position in the Department of State after serving as Ambassador, Minister, or Foreign Service officer, continuously or at different times for an aggregate period of twenty years or more, in which period may be included any periods of service in any of the capacities and as provided in paragraph (o) of this section, may become entitled to the benefits of this section as hereinafter provided by paying into the Foreign Service retirement and disability fund a special contribution equal to 5 per centum of his annual salary for each year of such employment subsequent to July 1, 1924, with interest thereon to date of payment compounded annually at 4 per centum.

Annuity, retirement, etc.

"(2) Any Ambassador or Minister, or a person appointed to a position in the Department of State after serving as Ambassador, Minister, or Foreign Service officer, who becomes entitled to the benefits of this section as provided in the preceding paragraph (1) shall receive an annuity computed in accordance with paragraph (e) of this section, including the right to voluntary retirement as provided by paragraph (d) of this section: *Provided, however*, That in case any Ambassador or Minister, or a person appointed to a position in the Department of State after serving as Ambassador, Minister, or Foreign Service officer, is retired from active service at less than sixty-five years of age and with at least twenty but less than thirty years of service, computed in accordance with this section, and assuming that he shall have complied with the requirements of the law entitling him to such annuity, he shall receive an annuity computed in accordance with paragraph (d) of this section on the basis of the total period of service thus computed, including extra service credits as provided in paragraph (k) of this section, the fractional part of a month, if any, to be eliminated from such total period of service; or if he is over sixty-five years of age (unless he is retained in active service as provided in paragraph (d) of this section), or not in active service, on the effective date of this Act such annuity shall begin on the date he complies with all the requirements of law to entitle him to such annuity."

Proviso.
Age and service, computation.

Approved, July 19, 1939.

[CHAPTER 331]

AN ACT

July 19, 1939
[H. R. 5452]
[Public, No. 198]

To provide certain benefits for World War veterans and their dependents, and for other purposes.

World War, etc., veterans.
48 Stat. 1281.
38 U. S. C. § 503.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of Public Law Numbered 484, Seventy-third Congress, June 28, 1934, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Surviving widow or child of deceased veteran, benefits where death not service connected.

"SEC. 1. (a) The surviving widow, child, or children of any deceased person who served in the World War before November 12, 1918, or if the person was serving with the United States military forces in Russia before April 2, 1920, who, while receiving or entitled to receive compensation, pension, or retirement pay for 10 per centum disability or more presumptively or directly incurred in or aggravated by service in the World War, dies or has died from a disease or disability not

service connected shall, upon filing application and such proofs in the Veterans' Administration as the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs may prescribe, be entitled to receive compensation as provided by this Act.

Service qualifications of veteran.

"(b) The surviving widow, child, or children of any deceased person who served in the World War before November 12, 1918, or if the person was serving with the United States military forces in Russia before April 2, 1920, and who was honorably discharged after having served ninety days or more (or who, having served less than ninety days, was discharged for disability incurred in the service in line of duty), who dies or has died from a disease or disability not service connected and at the time of death had a disability directly or presumptively incurred in or aggravated by service in the World War for which compensation would be payable if 10 per centum or more in degree, shall, upon filing application and such proofs in the Veterans' Administration as the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs may prescribe, be entitled to receive compensation as provided by this Act.

Payment of compensation; restriction.

"(c) Payment of compensation under the provisions of this Act shall not be made to any widow without child, or a child, whose annual income exceeds $1,000, or to a widow with a child or children whose annual income exceeds $2,500. In determining annual income, payments of war risk term insurance, United States Government life (converted) insurance, and payments under the World War Adjusted Compensation Act, as amended (U. S. C., title 38, ch. 11), and the Adjusted Compensation Payment Act, 1936, as amended, shall not be considered. Except as provided in section 6 of Public Law Numbered 304, Seventy-fifth Congress, August 16, 1937 (U. S. C., title 38, sec. 472d), compensation authorized by this Act shall not be payable effective prior to the receipt of application therefor in the Veterans' Administration; and in no event shall compensation herein authorized be effective prior to the date of enactment of this Act."

43 Stat. 121; 49 Stat. 1099.
38 U. S. C. ch. 11; Supp. IV, chs. 11, 11a.
50 Stat. 661.
38 U. S. C., Supp. IV, 472d.
Time of payment.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Public Law Numbered 484, Seventy-third Congress, as amended (U. S. C., title 38, sec. 504), is hereby amended to read as follows:

48 Stat. 1281.
38 U. S. C. § 504.

Rates of compensation.

"SEC. 2. (a) The monthly rates of compensation shall be as follows: Widow but no child, $30; widow with one child, $38 (with $4 for each additional child); no widow but one child, $15; no widow but two children, $22 (equally divided); no widow but three children, $30 (equally divided) (with $3 for each additional child; total amount to be equally divided).

Maximum; when apportioned.

"(b) The total compensation payable under this section shall not exceed $64. Where such benefits would otherwise exceed $64, the amount of $64 may be apportioned as the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs may prescribe."

48 Stat. 1282.
38 U. S. C. § 506; Supp. IV, § 506.

SEC. 3. Section 4 of Public Law Numbered 484, Seventy-third Congress, June 28, 1934, as amended (U. S. C., title 38, sec. 506), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Determination of service connection of a disability.

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

Evidence.

Hospitalization and domiciliary care provisions.

SEC. 4. In the administration of laws pertaining to veterans, retired officers, and enlisted men of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, who served honorably during a war period as recognized by the Veterans' Administration, shall be, and are, entitled to hospitalization and domiciliary care in Veterans' Administration facilities on parity with other war veterans and subject to those provisions of paragraph VI (A) of Veterans Regulation Numbered 6 (c), which provide for reduction of monetary benefits to veterans having neither wife, child, nor dependent parent while being furnished hospital treatment, institutional, or domiciliary care.

Rates of death compensation.

SEC. 5. Effective on the 1st day of the month next following the date of enactment of this Act, the rates of death compensation payable under the provisions of existing laws or veterans regulations to a surviving widow, child, or children, and/or dependent mother or father now on the rolls or hereafter to be placed on the rolls as the surviving widow, child, or children, and/or dependent mother or father of any World War veteran who died as the result of injury or disease incurred in or aggravated by active military or naval service in the World War, shall be as follows:

Widow, age under fifty years, $38; widow, age fifty years or over, $45; widow with one child, $10 additional for such child up to ten years of age, increased to $15 from age ten (with $8 for each additional child up to ten years of age, increased to $13 from age ten) (subject to apportionment regulations); no widow but one child, $20; no widow but two children, $33 (equally divided); no widow but three children, $46 (equally divided) (with $8 for each additional child, total amount to be equally divided); dependent mother or father, $45 (or both) $25 each. As to the widow, child, or children, the total compensation payable under this section shall not exceed $83. The amount of compensation herein authorized shall be paid in the event the monthly payment of compensation under Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (g) and the monthly payment of yearly renewable term or automatic insurance does not aggregate or exceed the amount of compensation herein authorized.

Condition.

Effective date of awards.

As to the surviving widow, child, or children, and/or dependent mother or father on the rolls on the date of enactment of this Act, any increased award herein authorized shall be effective from the date of enactment of this Act and in all other cases, except as provided in section 6 of Public Law Numbered 304, Seventy-fifth Congress, approved August 16, 1937, effective dates of awards shall be governed by the provisions of veterans regulations promulgated under Public Law Numbered 2, Seventy-third Congress, March 20, 1933.

50 Stat. 661.
38 U. S. C., Supp. IV, § 472d.
48 Stat. 8.
38 U. S. C. ch. 12; Supp. IV, ch. 12.

SEC. 6. Subparagraph (k) of paragraph II, part I, of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), promulgated under Public Law Numbered 2, Seventy-third Congress, March 20, 1933, is hereby amended to read as follows:

48 Stat. 8.
38 U. S. C. ch. 12; Supp. IV, ch. 12.

Compensation for certain specific conditions.

"(k) If the disabled person, as the result of service-incurred disability, has suffered the anatomical loss or the loss of the use of only one foot, or one hand, or one eye, the rate of pension provided in part I, paragraph II (a) to (j), shall be increased by $35 per month."

Interest rate on loans.

SEC. 7. On and after the date of enactment of this Act, the rate of interest charged on any loan secured by a lien on United States Government life (converted) insurance shall not exceed 5 per centum per annum.

Approved, July 19, 1939.