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[CHAPTER 46]

AN ACT

Providing payment to employees, Bureau of Reclamation, for mileage traveled in privately owned automobiles.

March 6, 1940
[H. R. 3391]
[Public, No. 428]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Comptroller General is hereby authorized and directed to credit disbursing agents of the Bureau of Reclamation for payments made as mileage reimbursement for the use, during the period of February 14, 1931, to April 30, 1932, of privately owned motor vehicles, in accordance with the Act of February 14, 1931 (46 Stat. 1146), which payments were suspended and/or disallowed pursuant to the decision of the Comptroller General of April 30, 1932 (A–41688). In those cases where collections have been made from employees pursuant to such suspension and/or disallowed, refunds are authorized: *Provided, however*, That all payments made pursuant to this Act shall be at the rate of 4 cents per mile.

Bureau of Reclamation.
Payments to employees for travel in privately owned motor vehicles.

Refunds.

Proviso.
Rate.

Approved, March 6, 1940.

[CHAPTER 47]

AN ACT

To amend the Bonneville Project Act.

March 6, 1940
[H. R. 7270]
[Public, No. 429]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 (a) of chapter 720 of the Acts of the Seventy-fifth Congress, first session (50 Stat. 731, 732), is hereby amended by inserting after the second sentence ending "in the vicinity of the Bonneville project.", the following sentence: "The Secretary of the Interior shall also appoint, without regard to the civil-service laws, an Assistant Administrator, chief engineer, and general counsel and shall fix the compensation of each at not exceeding $7,500 per annum. The Assistant Administrator shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Administrator, in the event of the absence or sickness of the Administrator until such absence or sickness shall cease, and, in the event of a vacancy in the office of Administrator until a successor is appointed."

Bonneville Project Act, amendments.
16 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 832a.

Assistant Administrator; appointment, duties, and powers.

SEC. 2. Section 2 (a) of said Act is hereby further amended by adding at the end of said section the following:

"The office of the Administrator of the Bonneville project is hereby constituted an office in the Department of the Interior and shall be under the jurisdiction and control of the Secretary of the Interior. All functions vested in the Administrator of the Bonneville project under this Act may be exercised by the Secretary of the Interior and, subject to his supervision and direction, by the Administrator and other personnel of the project."

Jurisdiction, etc.

SEC. 3. Section 4 (b) of the said chapter is hereby amended by striking out the words and figures "January 1, 1941" wherever they occur therein and by substituting in lieu thereof the words and figures "January 1, 1942".

Sale of power, time extensions.
16 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 832c.

Approved, March 6, 1940.

[CHAPTER 48]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the United States Maritime Commission to acquire certain lands at Saint Petersburg, Florida.

March 9, 1940
[H. J. Res. 424]
[Pub. Res., No. 57]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States Maritime Commission is hereby authorized, with funds in the construction fund of the Commission, to acquire on behalf of the United

St. Petersburg, Fla.
Acquisition of certain lands at, authorized.