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by this section shall extend to persons committed to the National Training School for Boys, by the juvenile court of the District of Columbia, as well as to those committed by any court of the United States."

Approved, October 21, 1941.

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[CHAPTER 454]

AN ACT

October 23, 1941
[H. R. 5667]
[Public Law 278]

To authorize the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to issue notes, bonds, and debentures in the sum of $1,500,000,000 in excess of existing authority.

Reconstruction Finance Corporation.
Increase of lending authority.
*Ante*, p. 250.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the amount of notes, bonds, debentures, and other such obligations which the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is authorized to issue and have outstanding at any one time under existing law is hereby increased by $1,500,000,000.

Approved, October 23, 1941.

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[CHAPTER 457]

AN ACT

October 23, 1941
[H. R. 2985]
[Public Law 279]

To prescribe the time basis for computing pay for overtime work performed by laborers in the Railway Mail Service.

Railway Mail Service.
43 Stat. 1061.
39 U. S. C., ch. 16.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 7, as amended, of the Act entitled "An Act reclassifying the salaries of postmasters and employees of the Postal Service, readjusting their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis, increasing postal rates to provide for such readjustment, and for other purposes", approved February 28, 1925 (43 Stat. 1053, as amended), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

Hours of work for laborers.
*Provisos.*
Restriction.

"After June 30, 1941, laborers in the Railway Mail Service shall be required to work not more than eight hours a day: *Provided*, That the eight hours of service shall not extend over a longer period than ten consecutive hours, and the schedules of duty of such employees shall be regulated accordingly: *Provided further*, That in cases of emergency, or if the needs of the Service require, and it is not practicable to employ substitutes, such employees can be required to work in excess of eight hours per day, and for such overtime service they shall be paid on the basis of the annual pay received by such employees: *And provided further*, That in computing the compensation for such overtime the annual salary or compensation for such employees shall be divided by three hundred and five, the number of working days in the year less all Sundays and legal holidays; the quotient thus obtained will be the daily compensation which divided by eight will give the hourly compensation for such overtime service."

Overtime pay.

Computation.

SEC. 2. The fifth paragraph of such section 7, as amended, of such Act of February 28, 1925, is amended to read as follows:

48 Stat. 958.
39 U. S. C. § 607.

Substitute laborers.
Pay and service credit.

"Substitute laborers in the Railway Mail Service shall be paid for services actually performed at the rate of 55 cents per hour, and when appointed to the position of regular laborer the substitute service performed shall be included in eligibility for promotion to grade 2 on the basis of three hundred and five days of eight hours constituting a year's service."

Approved, October 23, 1941.