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[CHAPTER 329]

AN ACT

June 5, 1942
[S. 2229]
[Public Law 569]

To provide for the retirement, rank, and pay of heads of staff departments of the Marine Corps.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any officer of the Marine Corps who may be retired while serving as head of a staff department of the Marine Corps, or who has served or shall have served two and one-half years or more as head of a staff department of the Marine Corps, and is retired after completion of such service while serving in a lower rank or grade, may, in the discretion of the President, be retired with the rank, pay, and allowances authorized by law for the highest grade or rank held by him as such head of a staff department of the Marine Corps: *Provided*, That the President in his discretion may extend the privileges herein authorized to such officers as have heretofore been retired and who satisfy the foregoing conditions: *Provided further*, That no increase provided herein in retired pay or allowances shall be held to have accrued prior to the passage of this Act.

Marine Corps.
Retirement of heads of staff departments.

Provisos.

Approved, June 5, 1942.

[CHAPTER 330]

AN ACT

June 5, 1942
[S. 2382]
[Public Law 570]

To amend the Act approved June 24, 1926, entitled "An Act to authorize the construction and procurement of aircraft and aircraft equipment in the Navy and Marine Corps, and to adjust and define the status of the operating personnel in connection therewith", so as to provide for the establishment of the designation of naval aviation pilot (airship), and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraphs 1 and 2 of section 3 of the Act of June 24, 1926 (44 Stat. 766, 767; 34 U. S. C. 735), are hereby amended to read as follows:

Naval aviation personnel.
Definition of terms.

"PAR. 1. That hereafter when the term 'naval aviator' is used in this Act or any other Act it shall mean any commissioned officer or warrant line officer in the Navy or Marine Corps who has successfully completed the course prescribed by competent authority for naval aviators and who has been or may hereafter be designated or appointed a naval aviator by competent authority and who has flown alone in a, or as first pilot of a dual-control, heavier-than-air craft not less than seventy-five hours and who has flown in heavier-than-air craft a total of not less than two hundred hours, or who has been in the air, under training, in airships not less than one hundred and fifty hours and successfully completed the course prescribed by competent authority.

"Naval aviator."

"PAR. 2. That hereafter when the term 'aviation pilot' is used in this Act or any other Act it shall mean any enlisted man in the Navy or Marine Corps who has successfully completed the course prescribed for aviation pilots and who has been or may hereafter be designated or appointed an aviation pilot by competent authority and who has flown alone in a, or as first pilot of a dual-control, heavier-than-air craft not less than seventy-five hours and who has flown in heavier-than-air craft a total of not less than two hundred hours or who has been in the air, under training, in airships not less than one hundred and fifty hours and who has flown in lighter-than-air craft a total of not less than two hundred hours.

"Aviation pilot."

"The term 'pilot' shall be construed to mean a naval aviator or an aviation pilot."

"Pilot."

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