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SEC. 2. (a) Until such time as the provisions of title II of the Act of November 26, 1940 (Public, Numbered 880, Seventy-sixth Congress), become effective, the heads of the several executive departments and independent establishments having field positions in the grades affected by this Act, the compensation of which is required to be fixed in accordance with section 13 of the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, are authorized and directed to adjust such compensation to conform to the rates established for such grades under this Act.

Field positions.
54 Stat. 1212.
5 U. S. C. §§ 632, 635, 669, 681-684; Supp. I, § 669, 681.
Pay adjustments.

Ante, p. 733.

(b) Section 3 (d) (viii) of the Act of November 26, 1940 (Public, Numbered 880, Seventy-sixth Congress), as amended by the Act of August 1, 1941 (Public, Numbered 200, Seventy-seventh Congress), is hereby further amended by deleting therefrom the words "and laborers".

Customs Service.
54 Stat. 1214; 55 Stat. 615.
5 U. S. C., Supp. I, § 681.

(c) Upon the passage of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall allocate to the services and grades of the compensation schedules of the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, the positions of laborers heretofore covered by the Act of May 29, 1928 (45 Stat. 955), as amended, in the same manner as other positions in the field service of the Treasury Department are allocated under section 2 of the Act of July 3, 1930 (46 Stat. 1005).

Laborers.
Allocation of positions.

19 U. S. C. § 6a.

5 U. S. C. § 678a.

(d) Nothing contained in subsections (b) or (c) of this section shall be construed to decrease the existing compensation of any employee, but when his position shall become vacant it shall be filled in accordance with the regular compensation schedule applicable to such position.

Effect on existing compensation.

SEC. 3. In adjusting initially the rates of pay of employees affected by the provisions of this Act, the rules prescribed by section 6 of the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, shall govern: *Provided*, That existing allocations of positions previously made by the Civil Service Commission in the custodial service shall be used for initial pay-adjustment purposes under this Act and shall remain in effect until changed by the Civil Service Commission under provisions of this Act: *Provided further*, That in the case of positions subject to the allocation jurisdiction of the Civil Service Commission, and allocable to new grades six, seven, eight, nine, and ten of the professional and scientific service or new grades thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, and seventeen of the clerical, administrative, and fiscal service, no such position shall be allocated to any of such new grades nor any incumbent paid any increased rate under this Act, unless and until the position concerned has been finally allocated to such grade by the Civil Service Commission in accordance with the provisions of this Act: *And provided further*, That nothing contained in this Act shall operate to decrease the pay of any present employee.

Initial adjustments of pay rates.
42 Stat. 1490.
5 U. S. C. § 666.
Provisos.

SEC. 4. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry the provisions of this Act into effect.

Appropriations authorized.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect

Approved, August 1, 1942.

[CHAPTER 544]

AN ACT

August 1, 1942
[H. R. 7100]
[Public Law 695]

To amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing vessels of Canadian registry to transport iron ore on the Great Lakes during 1942", approved January 27, 1942 (Public Law 416, Seventy-seventh Congress), to continue it in force during the existing war.

Great Lakes.
Transportation of iron ore.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act authorizing vessels of Canadian registry to transport iron ore on the Great Lakes during 1942", approved January 27,

Ante, p. 19.

1942 (Public Law 416, Seventy-seventh Congress), is amended to read as follows:

Wartime continuance of Act.

"That, by reason of emergency conditions in transportation on the Great Lakes, notwithstanding the provisions of section 27 of the Act of Congress approved June 5, 1920 (41 Stat. 999), as amended by Act of Congress approved April 11, 1935 (49 Stat. 154), and by Act of Congress approved July 2, 1935 (49 Stat. 442), or the provisions of any other Act of Congress or regulation, vessels of Canadian registry shall be permitted to transport iron ore between United States ports on the Great Lakes during the continuance of the present war and for six months after the termination of the war, or until such earlier time as the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President by proclamation may designate."

46 U. S. C. § 883; Supp. I, § 883 note.

Approved, August 1, 1942.

[CHAPTER 545]

AN ACT

August 4, 1942
[S. 2604]
[Public Law 696]

Granting the consent of Congress to the States of Colorado, Kansas, and Nebraska to negotiate and enter into a compact for the division of the waters of the Republican River.

Republican River.
Consent of Congress to interstate compact for division of waters.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That consent of Congress is hereby given to the States of Colorado, Kansas, and Nebraska to negotiate and enter into a compact not later than June 1, 1945, providing for an equitable division and apportionment among the said States of the waters of the Republican River and all of its tributaries above its junction with the Smoky Hill River in Kansas, upon condition that one suitable person, who shall be appointed by the President of the United States, shall participate in said negotiations as the representative of the United States and shall make report to Congress of the proceedings and of any compact entered into:

U. S. representative.
Report to Congress.

Proviso.
Ratification and approval.

Provided, That any such compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon any of the parties thereto unless and until the same shall have been ratified by the legislature of each of said States and approved by the Congress of the United States.

Salary, etc., of U. S. representative.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated a sufficient sum to pay the salary and expenses of the representative of the United States appointed hereunder: *Provided*, That such representative, if otherwise employed by the United States, while so employed shall not receive additional salary in the appointment hereunder.

Proviso.

Approved, August 4, 1942.

[CHAPTER 546]

AN ACT

August 4, 1942
[H. R. 7140]
[Public Law 697]

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide additional pay for personnel of the United States Navy assigned to duty on submarines and to diving duty", so as to increase the additional pay of officers and enlisted men of the United States Navy assigned to duty on submarines, and for other purposes.

Navy.
Submarine and diving duty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to provide additional pay for personnel of the United States Navy assigned to duty on submarines and to diving duty", approved April 9, 1928 (45 Stat. 412), as amended by the Act approved January 16, 1936 (49 Stat. 1091; 34 U. S. C. 886), and the Act approved June 27, 1942 (Public Law 628, Seventy-seventh Congress, second session), be, and the same is hereby, further amended, to read as follows:

Ante, p. 391.

Additional pay provisions.

"All officers and enlisted men of the Navy on duty on board a submarine of the Navy, including submarines under construction for the