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absence as may exceed six months in the aggregate in any calendar year, shall be excluded, except leaves of absence granted employees while performing active military or naval service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard of the United States or while receiving benefits under the United States Employees' Compensation Act, and in the case of substitutes in the Postal Service credit shall be given from date of original appointment as a substitute."

39 Stat. 742. 5 U. S. C. §§ 751–791, 793; Supp. IV, ch. 15. *Ante*, p. 503.

Approved December 21, 1945.

[CHAPTER 585]

AN ACT

December 21, 1945 [S. 1366] [Public Law 266]

To authorize the State of Tennessee to convey a railroad right-of-way through Montgomery Bell Park.

Montgomery Bell Park, Dickson County, Tenn. Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State of Tennessee is hereby authorized and empowered to convey a right-of-way for railroad purposes, not in excess of one hundred feet in width, to The Nashville, Chattanooga and Saint Louis Railway over, through, and across the Montgomery Bell Park in Dickson County, Tennessee (previously known as the Montgomery Bell recreational demonstration area), notwithstanding the express condition contained in deed dated May 25, 1943, from the United States of America to the State of Tennessee, which deed was executed pursuant to the Act of June 6, 1942 (56 Stat. 326), entitled "An Act to authorize the disposition of recreational demonstration projects and for other purposes". Such conveyance by the State of Tennessee shall not be deemed a breach of the express condition that the State of Tennessee should use the said property exclusively for public park, recreational, and conservation purposes. The State of Tennessee is authorized to expend funds received as a consideration for such conveyance for the acquisition of additional land needed to round out the Montgomery Bell Park area.

16 U. S. C., Supp. IV, §§ 459r–459t.

Approved December 21, 1945.

[CHAPTER 586]

AN ACT

December 21, 1945 [H. R. 608] [Public Law 267]

To exclude certain lands in Deschutes County, Oregon, from the provisions of Revised Statutes 2319 to 2337, inclusive, relating to the promotion of the development of the mining resources of the United States.

Deschutes County, Oreg. Mineral deposits within designated lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That within the following-described real property situated in Deschutes County, Oregon, namely, sections 13 to 16, inclusive, sections 21 to 28, inclusive, sections 33 to 36, inclusive, township 21 south, range 12 east, Willamette meridian; sections 16 to 21, inclusive, sections 28 to 33, inclusive, township 21 south, range 13 east, Willamette meridian; sections 1 to 4, inclusive, sections 9 to 12, inclusive, township 22 south, range 12 east, Willamette meridian; and sections 4 to 9, inclusive, township 22 south, range 13 east, Willamette meridian; deposits of all minerals are excluded from the operation of Revised Statutes 2319 to 2337, inclusive (relating to the promotion of the development of the mining resources of the United States): *Provided*, That nothing in this Act shall disturb any vested rights of any person or persons in or to said real property or any part thereof.

30 U. S. C. § 22 *et seq.*

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