

[CHAPTER 272]

AN ACT

To authorize the President to appoint General Omar N. Bradley to the office of Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, without affecting his military status and perquisites.

July 5, 1945
[H. R. 3607]
[Private Law 140]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 1222 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 10, sec. 576), or any other provisions of law, the President, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, is authorized to appoint General Omar N. Bradley, a general officer in the Army of the United States, to the office of Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, and General Bradley's appointment to, acceptance of, and service in that office shall in no way affect any status, office, rank, or grade he may occupy or hold in the Army of the United States or any component thereof, or any emolument, perquisite, right, privilege, or benefit incident to or arising out of any such status, office, rank, or grade: *Provided*, That so long as he holds the office of Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, General Bradley shall retain the rank and grade of general which he now holds in the Army of the United States and he shall receive the pay and allowances (including personal money allowance) payable to an officer serving on active duty with the rank and in the grade of general in the Army of the United States, or any component thereof; and in the event the salary prescribed by law for the office of Administrator of Veterans' Affairs exceeds such pay and allowances, General Bradley shall receive directly from Veterans' Administration the difference between such pay and allowances and such salary.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley.
Appointment as Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.

Military status.

Rank and grade;
pay and allowances.

SEC. 2. In the performance of his duties as Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, General Bradley shall be subject to no supervision, control, restriction, or prohibition (military or otherwise) other than would be operative with respect to him if he were in no way connected with the War Department, the Military Establishment, or the Army of the United States, or any component thereof.

Supervision, etc.,
(military or otherwise).

SEC. 3. The appropriations of the Veterans' Administration shall be available for reimbursement to the War Department of all pay and allowances received by General Bradley from the War Department or its agencies while he is serving in the office of Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.

Approved July 5, 1945.

[CHAPTER 276]

AN ACT

For the relief of Mrs. Harriette E. Harris.

July 6, 1945
[H. R. 1008]
[Private Law 141]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Mrs. Harriette E. Harris, Pacific Grove, California, the sum of \$3,062. The payment of such sum shall be in full settlement of all claims of the said Mrs. Harriette E. Harris against the United States for damage to trees, driveway, and other property in Pacific Grove, California, caused by the crash of a United States Navy airplane on March 8, 1944: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or

Mrs. Harriette E. Harris.