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agreement or order, and to the extent that the department or agency finds such amount was thereby reduced, claims for such losses shall not be allowed under this Act.

(b) Every claimant under this Act shall furnish to the department or agency concerned any evidence within the possession of such claimant bearing upon the matters referred to in subsection (a) of this section.

Furnishing of evidence by claimant.

SEC. 3. Claims for losses shall not be considered unless filed with the department or agency concerned within six months after the date of approval of this Act, and shall be limited to losses with respect to which a written request for relief was filed with such department or agency on or before August 14, 1945, but a previous settlement under the First War Powers Act, 1941, or the Contract Settlement Act of 1944 shall not operate to preclude further relief otherwise allowable under this Act.

Filing of claims.

55 Stat. 838.
50 U. S. C., Supp. V, app. §§ 601–622.
Ante, p. 50; *post*, p. 925.
58 Stat. 649.
41 U. S. C., Supp. V, §§ 101–125.

SEC. 4. Appropriations or funds available for work, supplies, or services of the character involved in the respective claims at the time of settlement thereof shall be available for payment of the settlements: *Provided*, That where no such appropriations are available, appropriations for payment of such settlements are hereby authorized.

Funds for payment of settlements.

Appropriations authorized.

SEC. 5. Each department and agency shall report to the Congress quarterly the name of each claimant to whom relief has been granted under this Act, together with the amount of such relief and a brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision.

Reports to Congress.

SEC. 6. Whenever any claimant under this Act is dissatisfied with the action of a department or agency of the Government in either granting or denying his claim, such claimant shall have the right within six months to file a petition with any Federal district court of competent jurisdiction, asking a determination by the court of the equities involved in such claim; and upon the filing of such a petition, the court, sitting as a court of equity, shall have jurisdiction to determine the amount, if any, to which such claimant and petitioner may be equitably entitled (not exceeding the amount which might have been allowed by the department or agency concerned under the terms of this Act) and to enter an order directing such department or agency to settle the claim in accordance with the finding of the court; and thereafter either party may appeal from the decision of the court as in other equity cases.

Petition for court determination.

Appeal.

Approved August 7, 1946.

[CHAPTER 865]

AN ACT

To provide for health programs for Government employees.

August 8, 1946
[H. R. 2716]
[Public Law 658]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of promoting and maintaining the physical and mental fitness of employees of the Federal Government, the heads of departments and agencies, including Government-owned and controlled corporations are authorized, within the limits of appropriations made available therefor, to establish by contract or otherwise, health service programs which will provide health services for employees under their respective jurisdictions: *Provided*, That such health service programs shall be established only after consultation with the Public Health Service and consideration of its recommendations, and only in localities where there are a sufficient number of Federal employees to warrant the provision of such services, and shall be limited to (1) treatments of on-the-job illness and dental conditions requiring emergency attention; (2) preemployment and other examinations; (3) referral of employees

Federal employees.
Health service programs.

Consultation with PHS.

Limitations.

Programs not affected.

Continuation of present programs.

Review by PHS.

"Physician."

39 Stat. 750.
5 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 790.

to private physicians and dentists; and (4) preventive programs relating to health: *Provided further*, That the health program now being conducted by the Tennessee Valley Authority and by the Panama Canal and Panama Railroad Company shall not be affected by the provisions of this Act: *And provided further*, That such health programs as are now being conducted for other Federal employees may be continued until June 30, 1947. The Public Health Service, when requested to do so, shall review the health service programs being conducted by any department or agency under authority of this Act and shall submit appropriate comment and recommendations. Wherever the professional services of physicians are authorized to be utilized under this Act, the definition of "physician" contained in the Act of September 7, 1916, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 5, sec. 790), shall be applicable.

Approved August 8, 1946.

[CHAPTER 866]

August 8, 1946
[H. R. 3908]
[Public Law 659]

AN ACT

To provide increased pensions to members of the Regular Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard who become disabled by reason of their service therein during other than a period of war.

Veterans' Regulations, amendment.
38 U. S. C. note foll. § 724; Supp. V, note foll. § 735.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph II of part II of Veterans' Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"II. For the purposes of part II, paragraph I (a) hereof, if the disability results from injury or disease—

"(a) If and while the disability is rated 10 per centum the monthly pension shall be $10.35.

"(b) If and while the disability is rated 20 per centum the monthly pension shall be $20.70.

"(c) If and while the disability is rated 30 per centum the monthly pension shall be $31.05.

"(d) If and while the disability is rated 40 per centum the monthly pension shall be $41.40.

"(e) If and while the disability is rated 50 per centum the monthly pension shall be $51.75.

"(f) If and while the disability is rated 60 per centum the monthly pension shall be $62.10.

"(g) If and while the disability is rated 70 per centum the monthly pension shall be $72.45.

"(h) If and while the disability is rated 80 per centum the monthly pension shall be $82.80.

"(i) If and while the disability is rated 90 per centum the monthly pension shall be $93.15.

"(j) If and while the disability is rated as total the monthly pension shall be $103.50.

Anatomical losses.

"(k) If the disabled person, as the result of service-incurred disability, has suffered the anatomical loss or loss of use of one foot, or one hand, or blindness of one eye, having only light perception, the rate of pension provided in part II, paragraph II, subparagraphs (a) to (j), shall be increased by $31.50 per month; and in the event of anatomical loss or loss of use of one foot, or one hand, or blindness of one eye, having only light perception, in addition to the requirement for any of the rates specified in subparagraphs (l) to (n), inclusive, of part II, paragraph II, as herein amended, the rate of pension shall be increased by $31.50 per month for each such loss or loss of use but in no event to exceed $270 per month.

Supra.

Post, p. 905.