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low-rent-housing or slum-clearance projects under this Act or any other law. Nothing in this subsection shall prejudice the right of those public housing agencies which can, by reason of lesser need, or would prefer to delay the starting of their proposed building operations until labor and material costs stabilize at levels consistent with the cost limitations prescribed in subsection (5) of this section."

Right to delay building operations.

SEC. 2. The United States or any State or local public agency assisted by Federal funds made available with respect to housing shall continue to have the right to maintain an action or proceeding to recover possession of any housing accommodations (except as provided in the proviso of section 209 (b) of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947) operated by it where such action or proceeding is authorized by the statute or regulations under which such accommodations are administered, but no such action or proceeding shall be maintained prior to March 1, 1948, if in the opinion of the administering authority such action or proceeding would result in undue hardship for the occupants of such housing accommodations, or unless in the opinion of such authority other housing facilities are available for such occupants.

Right to maintain action, etc.

Ante, p. 201.

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 419]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to establish a postgraduate school at Monterey, California.

July 31, 1947
[H. R. 1341]
[Public Law 302]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to acquire six hundred and six and five hundred and ninety-two one-thousandths acres of land upon which the United States of America now has an option with buildings thereon at Monterey, California, for the establishment of a naval postgraduate school, including the necessary construction and alterations to provide school facilities, quarters, and collateral facilities and equipment, including the acquisition of the necessary land, at a cost not to exceed $2,500,000: *Provided*, That contracts may be entered into without regard to the provisions of 3709 Revised Statutes.

Navy.
Acquisition of land, etc., for postgraduate school.

41 U. S. C. § 5.

Approved July 31, 1947.

[CHAPTER 420]

AN ACT

To establish the United States Naval Postgraduate School, and for other purposes.

July 31, 1947
[H. R. 1379]
[Public Law 303]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized and directed to establish the United States Naval Postgraduate School for the advanced instruction and training of commissioned officers of the Regular Navy and Marine Corps and the reserve components thereof in the practical and theoretical duties of commissioned officers.

U. S. Naval Postgraduate School.

SEC. 2. The military command of the United States Naval Postgraduate School (hereinafter referred to as the postgraduate school) shall be exercised by a line officer of the Regular Navy, qualified to command at sea, detailed by the Secretary of the Navy, from the active list not below the grade of captain to serve as Superintendent. Such other officers of the line and staff of the Navy and Marine Corps, of appropriate ranks and qualifications, shall be detailed by the Secretary of the Navy as may be necessary to assist the Superintendent in

Military command.