

order is in effect and irrespective of whether particular provisions thereof are suspended or become inoperative.

Maintenance of suit
by agency, etc.

“(iii) Any authority or agency established under an order may maintain in its own name, or in the name of its members, a suit against any handler subject to an order for the collection of such handler’s pro rata share of expenses. The several district courts of the United States are hereby vested with jurisdiction to entertain such suits regardless of the amount in controversy.”

49 Stat. 754.

SEC. 4. Section 8c (2) (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 7, sec. 608c (2)) is amended by inserting the words “or freezing” immediately after the word “canning” wherever said word “canning” appears in said section.

Approved August 1, 1947.

[CHAPTER 426]

AN ACT

August 1, 1947
[H. R. 1544]
[Public Law 306]

To provide appropriate lapel buttons for widows, parents, and next of kin of members of the armed forces who lost their lives in the armed services of the United States in World War II.

Gold star lapel but-
ton.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, acting jointly, shall formulate and fix the size, design, and composition of a lapel button (to be known as the “gold star lapel button”) suitable as a means of identification for widows and parents of members of the armed forces of the United States who lost their lives in the armed services of the United States in World War II. The Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy shall procure for their respective departments such number of gold star lapel buttons as shall be necessary to effect distribution of such buttons in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Procurement.

Furnishing of but-
tons to widows, par-
ents, etc.

SEC. 2. (a) Upon application to the Department of War or the Department of the Navy, as the case may be, one such gold star lapel button shall be furnished, without cost, to the widow and to each of the parents of a member of the armed forces of the United States who lost his life in the armed services of the United States in World War II.

Restrictions.

(b) In addition to the gold star lapel button furnished in subsection (a) of this section, gold star lapel buttons shall also be furnished, upon application and the payment of an amount sufficient to cover the cost of manufacture and distribution, to the next of kin of any such deceased person, not hereinbefore designated. No such lapel button shall be sold to any person who has been furnished a lapel button under subsection (a), and not more than one button shall be sold to any one person.

Distribution.

(c) Gold star lapel buttons shall be distributed in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed jointly by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy.

“Widow.”

“Parents.”

“Next of kin.”

“Children.”

SEC. 3. As used in this Act, (a) the term “widow” shall include widower; (b) the term “parents” shall include mother, father, step-mother, stepfather, mother through adoption, and father through adoption; (c) the term “next of kin” shall include only children, brothers, sisters, half brothers and half sisters; and (d) the term “children” shall include stepchildren and children through adoption.

Penalty for unlaw-
ful use, etc.

SEC. 4. Whoever shall (1) wear, display on his person, or otherwise use as an insignia, any gold star lapel button issued to another person under the provisions of this Act; (2) falsely make, forge, or counterfeit, or cause or procure to be falsely made, forged, or counterfeited, or aid in falsely making, forging, or counterfeiting any lapel button issued under this Act; or (3) sell or bring into the United States, or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, from any foreign place, or have in his possession, any such false, forged, or counterfeited lapel

button, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both.

SEC. 5. Such sums are hereby authorized to be appropriated as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Approved August 1, 1947.

Appropriations authorized.

[CHAPTER 427]

AN ACT

To amend section 16 of chapter V of the Act of June 19, 1934, entitled "An Act to regulate the business of life insurance in the District of Columbia."

August 1, 1947
[H. R. 1633]
[Public Law 307]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 16 of Chapter V of the Act of June 19, 1934, entitled "An Act to regulate the business of life insurance in the District of Columbia", be amended to read as follows:

Life insurance, D.C.
48 Stat. 1175.
D. C. Code § 35-716.

"SEC. 16. RIGHTS OF CREDITORS AND BENEFICIARIES UNDER POLICIES OF LIFE INSURANCE.—When a policy of insurance, whether heretofore or hereafter issued, is effected by any person on his own life or on another life in favor of some person other than himself having an insurable interest therein, or, except in cases of transfer with intent to defraud creditors, if a policy of life insurance is assigned or in any way made payable to any such person, the lawful beneficiary or assignee thereof, other than the insured or the person so effecting such insurance or executors or administrators of such insured or the person so effecting such insurance, shall be entitled to its proceeds and avails against the creditors and representatives of the insured and of the person effecting such insurance whether or not the right to change the beneficiary is reserved or permitted and whether or not the policy is made payable to the person whose life is insured, if the beneficiary or assignee shall predecease such person: *Provided,* That subject to the statute of limitations the amount of any premiums for said insurance paid with intent to defraud creditors, with interest thereon, shall inure to their benefit from the proceeds of the policy, but the company issuing the policy shall be discharged of all liability thereon by payment of its proceeds in accordance with its terms, unless before such payment the company shall have written notice by or in behalf of a creditor of a claim to recover for transfer made or premiums paid with intent to defraud creditors with specifications of the amount claimed."

Premiums paid with intent to defraud creditors.

Approved August 1, 1947.

[CHAPTER 428]

AN ACT

To amend section 7 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, and for other purposes", approved July 1, 1902, as amended.

August 1, 1947
[H. R. 2173]
[Public Law 308]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, and for other purposes", approved July 1, 1902, as amended, is hereby amended by adding paragraph 44A.

District of Columbia.
Undertakers.

32 Stat. 628.
D. C. Code § 47-2343.
Issuance of license.

"PAR. 44A. (a) On and after ninety days from the enactment of this paragraph, no person shall, in the District of Columbia, discharge any of the duties of an undertaker, unless there has been issued to him by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia a license therefor