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respect to the disability or death or attainment of a specified age of a member or former member of the armed forces on and after December 7, 1941, and who was unable to file such claim by reason of being interned by a country with which the United States was at war or was otherwise prevented from filing such claim by action of such country, the award of pension or compensation shall be adjusted so as to be effective as of the date the award would have been effective had claim been filed on the date of death, discharge from the armed forces, or the occurrence of age or any disability or increased disability giving rise to a claim for pension, increased pension, compensation, or increased compensation: *Provided*, That claims for the benefits of this Act shall be filed within one year from the date of enactment of this Act.

Filing of claims.

Approved August 1, 1949.

[CHAPTER 378]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Amending an Act making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, and for other purposes.

August 1, 1949
[H. J. Res. 329]
[Public Law 196]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 154 (Eighty-first Congress), making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, and for other purposes, is hereby amended by striking out, in section (c) thereof, "July 31, 1949" and inserting in lieu thereof "August 15, 1949".

Ante, p. 405; *post*, pp. 614, 696.

Approved August 1, 1949.

[CHAPTER 379]

AN ACT

To amend the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended.

August 2, 1949
[S. 256]
[Public Law 197]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (5) of section 1 of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, is amended by striking out "(a)"; and is further amended by striking out "(b)" and inserting in lieu thereof "(5½)".

Interstate Commerce Act, amendments.
41 Stat. 475; 54 Stat. 900.
49 U. S. C. § 1 (5).

SEC. 2. (a) The first sentence of paragraph (2) of section 3 of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

41 Stat. 479.
49 U. S. C. § 3 (2).

"(2) No carrier by railroad and no express company subject to the provisions of this part shall deliver or relinquish possession at destination of any freight or express shipment transported by it until all tariff rates and charges thereon have been paid, except under such rules and regulations as the Commission may from time to time prescribe to govern the settlement of all such rates and charges and to prevent unjust discrimination: *Provided*, That the provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit any carrier or express company from extending credit in connection with rates and charges on freight or express shipments transported for the United States, for any department, bureau, or agency thereof, or for any State or Territory or political subdivision thereof, or for the District of Columbia."

Collection of freight rates and charges.

Extension of credit to U. S., etc.

(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) of this section shall take effect six months after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Effective date.

SEC. 3. The second sentence of subparagraph (b) of paragraph (2) of section 5 of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows: "If the Commission shall consider it necessary in order to determine whether the findings specified below may properly

54 Stat. 906.
49 U. S. C. § 5 (2) (b).
Public hearing.