

[CHAPTER 728]

AN ACT

To authorize the construction and equipment of a guided-missile research laboratory building for the National Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be constructed and equipped for the National Bureau of Standards a research laboratory building, suitable for use as a guided-missile laboratory, together with necessary utilities and appurtenances thereto, under a limit of cost of \$1,900,000: *Provided*, That such limit of cost may be exceeded or shall be reduced by an amount equal to the percentage increase or decrease, if any, in construction costs generally dating from June 1, 1948, as determined by the Federal Works Administrator: *Provided further*, That such limit of cost shall not be exceeded by more than 10 per centum.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Commerce is authorized to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise (including transfer with or without compensation from Federal agencies), such lands, estates in lands, and appurtenances thereto as may in his opinion be necessary or desirable for the construction of a building to house activities of such laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards: *Provided*, That the site therefor shall be selected after consultation with the Director of the National Bureau of Standards.

SEC. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Commerce, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act: *Provided*, That such sums so appropriated, except such part thereof as may be necessary for the incidental expenses of the Department of Commerce, shall be transferred to the Public Buildings Administration in the Federal Works Agency.

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 729]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the National Housing Act, as amended, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended—

(1) by striking out of the first sentence of section 2 (a) "November 1, 1949" and inserting in lieu thereof "March 1, 1950", and by striking out of the last sentence of section 2 (a) "\$200,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$225,000,000";

(2) by striking out of the proviso in section 203 (a) "\$5,500,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$6,000,000,000", and by striking out "\$6,000,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$6,750,000,000";

(3) by striking out of the first sentence of section 302 "\$1,500,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$2,500,000,000";

(4) by striking out of the first proviso in section 603 (a) "\$5,750,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$6,150,000,000", by striking out of said proviso "\$6,150,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$6,650,000,000", and by striking out of the second proviso in section 603 (a) "October 31, 1949" in each place where it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "March 1, 1950".

SEC. 2. Said Act, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the period at the end of the fourth sentence of section 1 thereof and

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National Bureau of
 Standards.
 Guided-missile re-
 search laboratory.

Cost limitation.

Acquisition of lands,
 etc.

Selection of site.

Appropriation an-
 thorized.

Transfer of funds.

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 [Public Law 387]

National Housing
 Act, amendments.

49 Stat. 1187; 62
 Stat. 1275.
 12 U. S. C., Supp.
 II, § 1703 (a).
Ante, pp. 421, 681.

48 Stat. 1248.
 12 U. S. C. § 1709 (a).
Ante, pp. 421, 681.

48 Stat. 1254.
 12 U. S. C., Supp.
 II, § 1717.
Ante, p. 446.
 55 Stat. 56.
 12 U. S. C., Supp.
 II, § 1738 (a).
Ante, pp. 29, 421, 681.

48 Stat. 1246.
 12 U. S. C., Supp.
 II, § 1702.
Ante, p. 576.