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New York City.

SEC. 3. In the city of New York, including the Borough of Brooklyn, the annual rate of expenditure for the transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes shall not exceed $15,500 per mile per annum of double line pneumatic-tube facilities for a period of ten years, after which time the annual rate of expenditures per mile shall not exceed $12,000. This rate shall be inclusive of maintenance expenses but shall be exclusive of all operating expenses.

Repeals.

SEC. 4. All laws or parts of laws inconsistent or in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed. This shall include, but is not limited to, the following laws:

(a) The provisions of the Acts of April 21, 1902; March 2, 1907; May 27, 1908; and June 19, 1922 (39 U. S. C. 423), relating to contracts for transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes; and

32 Stat. 114; 34 Stat. 1211; 35 Stat. 412; 42 Stat. 661.
39 U. S. C., Sup. III, § 423 note.

(b) The Act entitled "An Act to provide for certain administrative expenses in the Post Office Department, including retainment of pneumatic-tube systems, and for other purposes", approved June 30, 1948 (62 Stat. 1163).

39 U. S. C., Sup. III, § 423 note.

Approved December 27, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1154]

AN ACT

December 27, 1950
[H. R. 8851]
[Public Law 890]

To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to transfer by quitclaim deed to the Brown's Point Improvement Club a portion of a small strip of land at Coast Guard light station facility, Brown's Point, Pierce County, Washington, and to transfer by quitclaim deed the remaining portion of such strip to the County of Pierce, State of Washington.

Pierce County, Wash.
Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to grant and convey by quitclaim deed to the county of Pierce, State of Washington, for public use through the Brown's Point Improvement Club, incorporated and organized under the laws of the State of Washington as a nonprofit organization, the following strip of land approximately fifty feet in width, being the southerly portion of the Brown's Point Coast Guard Light Station Reservation, Pierce County, State of Washington:

That portion of lot 1 and tract numbered 4 of Tacoma Tidelands, section 17, township 21 north, range 3 east, Willamette meridian, situate and lying south of a line fifty feet north of and parallel to the south line of said lot 1 and the contiguous portion of tideland tract numbered 4, less that portion of said fifty-foot strip concerning which a boundary title dispute exists between the Brown's Point Improvement Club and the United States, all of which said fifty-foot strip of land was included in a larger area covered by the judgment and decree of the court dated July 12, 1901, in Civil Case Numbered 781 entitled "United States of America vs. Joseph Swoyall et al.", for the condemnation of certain lands situated on Brown's Point, in Pierce County, Washington.

Such conveyance shall contain the express condition that the Brown's Point Improvement Club shall move and reestablish the fence on the relocated south line of the said Coast Guard reservation; provide an access gate and provide and maintain a suitable access road therefrom through that portion of the fifty-foot strip of land conveyed to such county, and property owned by such club, in order to provide access from the Government property to Ton-A-Wan-Da Avenue, Brown's Point, and upon failure to do so title in that portion of the fifty-foot strip of land conveyed to such county shall revert to the United States: *Provided*, That the conveyance to the county of Pierce shall contain

a further condition that, in the event the property so conveyed to such county ceases to be used for public purposes, title therein shall revert to the United States.

Brown's Point Improvement Club. Conveyance.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby further authorized and directed to grant and convey by quitclaim deed to the Brown's Point Improvement Club that portion of said fifty-foot strip of land which is the subject of a boundary title dispute.

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[CHAPTER 1155]

December 27, 1950
[H. R. 9681]
[Public Law 891]

AN ACT

To authorize the waiver of the navigation and vessel-inspection laws.

Navigation and vessel-inspection laws. Waiver.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the head of each department or agency responsible for the administration of the navigation and vessel-inspection laws is directed to waive compliance with such laws upon the request of the Secretary of Defense to the extent deemed necessary in the interest of national defense by the Secretary of Defense. The head of such department or agency is authorized to waive compliance with such laws to such extent and in such manner and upon such terms as he may prescribe, either upon his own initiative or upon the written recommendation of the head of any other Government agency, whenever he deems that such action is necessary in the interest of national defense.

Termination of authority.

SEC. 2. The authority granted by this Act shall terminate at such time as the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President may designate.

Repeal.

SEC. 3. The joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution authorizing the Commandant of the United States Coast Guard to waive compliance with the navigation and vessel-inspection laws administered by the Coast Guard", approved March 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 33), as amended, is repealed.

46 U. S. C., Sup. III, note prec. § 1.
Ante, p. 309.

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[CHAPTER 1174]

December 28, 1950
[S. 3672]
[Public Law 892]

AN ACT

To amend section 3 (c) of the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make the exclusion from such Act of temporary employees of the Senate and House of Representatives inapplicable to such employees with one or more years of service.

Civil Service Retirement Act, amendment.
46 Stat. 470; 56 Stat. 15.
5 U. S. C. § 693; Sup. III, § 693.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 (c) of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended by section 3 of the Act of January 24, 1942, as amended is further amended by inserting after the words "The provisions of this Act shall not apply to employees of the Senate or the House of Representatives whose employment is temporary or of uncertain duration" the words "unless and until such employees shall have served continuously in such employment for at least one year: *Provided*, That chairmen of committees shall give notice in writing to the disbursing office concerned on or before the date when the services of such employees are to commence or terminate, or when salary changes are to become effective".

Approved December 28, 1950.