section shall not apply for any period beginning after June 30, 1952, with respect to any bowling alley, billiard table, or pool table maintained exclusively for the use of members of the Armed Forces on any property owned, reserved, or used by, or otherwise acquired for the use of, the United States if no charge is made for their use."

SEC. 2. Subsection (a) (4) (D) of the Renegotiation Act, as amended by section 201 (c) of the Renegotiation Act of 1951 and by section 617 of the Revenue Act of 1951, is hereby amended by striking out "October 31, 1951" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31, 1952". 65 Stat. 23, 569. 50 U S C app. 1191 (a) (4) (D).

SEC. 3. Section 201 (h) of the Renegotiation Act of 1951 is amended by striking out "twelve months" and inserting in lieu thereof "two years". 65 Stat. 24. 50 U S C app. 1231.

Approved July 17, 1952.

Public Law 577 CHAPTER 925

AN ACT

To provide for authorization of a study and report of irrigation works in connection with Chief Joseph Dam.

July 17, 1952 [H. R. 6163]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to proceed in relation to the Chief Joseph Dam project on the Columbia River, Washington, initially authorized by section 1 of the Act of July 24, 1946 (60 Stat. 637), in accordance with the provisions of this Act to make a study and report to Congress on means of providing financial and other assistance in the reclamation of arid lands in the general vicinity of the project. In making such study and report the Secretary shall be guided by the provisions of applicable laws. Chief Joseph Dam project. Study and report of proposed reclamation works.

SEC. 2. The report of the Secretary of the Interior shall state, among other things, the construction cost of the proposed works, including said authorized project and proposed reclamation units; the portions of said cost allocable to various functions; the operation and maintenance costs of all functions (of the project); the amount of the construction cost allocable to irrigation which the irrigators may reasonably be expected to repay, together with the proposed charges for water service and proposed repayment period upon the irrigation allocation; the amount of the cost allocable to irrigation in excess of that which the irrigators can repay, which the Secretary proposes shall be recovered from power revenues; the proposed charges for power, and proposed repayment period on the amount allocable to power; the proposed interest rate on the power investment, and the disposition which the Secretary proposes to make of the interest component and other components of the power revenues; the unrecovered cost to the Federal Treasury of the works proposed, in connection with the means of financing recommended by the Secretary; the ratio of net costs to net benefits; the ratio of net benefits per acre to irrigators' repayment per acre; and a complete financial analysis of repayment program together with all other data reasonably required to enable the Congress to pass upon the economic feasibility of the proposed works.

SEC. 3. Any such reclamation works proposed to be constructed under the study authorized by this Act may be undertaken only after the Secretary of the Interior has submitted a report and findings thereon under section 2 of this Act and section 9 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (53 Stat. 1187), and only if the works so reported on are thereafter specifically authorized by Act of Congress. 43 USC 485h.

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SEC. 4. Nothing in this Act shall modify in any way the requirements and provisions of existing laws with respect to the availability of funds for construction and operation and maintenance of the Chief Joseph Dam and power plant.

Approved July 17, 1952.

Public Law 578 CHAPTER 926

July 17, 1952
[H. R. 6723]

AN ACT

To approve contracts negotiated with the Gering and Fort Laramie Irrigation District, the Goshen Irrigation District, and the Pathfinder Irrigation District, and to authorize their execution; and to authorize the execution of contracts with individual water right contractors on the North Platte Federal reclamation project, and for other purposes.

Approval of certain irrigation contracts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the contract with the Gering and Fort Laramie Irrigation District, which was approved by the district electors on November 15, 1951; the contract with the Goshen Irrigation District, which was approved by the district electors on November 15, 1951; and the contract with the Pathfinder Irrigation District, which was approved by the district electors on November 15, 1951, all of which have been negotiated by the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the Secretary), pursuant to subsection (a) of section 7 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (53 Stat. 1187; 43 U. S. C. 485), are hereby approved and the Secretary is hereby authorized to execute them on behalf of the United States.

53 Stat. 1192.
43 USC 485f.

SEC. 2. The Secretary is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the United States—

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(a) contracts with individual water right contractors on the North Platte Federal reclamation project whose lands are not included within the boundaries of a project irrigation district which contracts shall provide, among other things, (i) that said water user shall relinquish his interest in the present and potential power revenues of or related to the North Platte project; (ii) that the power acquisition consideration for each contractor, which shall be the proportionate part of $6,636,873 represented by the ratio of the contractor's irrigable acreage to the total irrigable acreage of the project, as determined by the Secretary, shall be applied as a credit upon the water user's obligation to the United States for construction charges and for future charges for operation and maintenance of project works; (iii) that the miscellaneous revenues accruing to the benefit of the water user, pursuant to subsections I and J of section 4 of the Act of December 5, 1924 (43 Stat. 672, 703), shall be retained by the United States for the establishment and maintenance of a fund in an amount fixed by the Secretary to be used by the Secretary for replacement and operation and maintenance of project works operated and maintained by the United States.

SEC. 3. The authority granted in section 2 of this Act to make contracts shall continue for five years from the effective date of this Act, but the power acquisition consideration provided in section 2 of this Act for the individual water right contractors shall be reduced by whatever amount of net power revenues shall have accrued to the benefit of such individual water right contractors after June 30, 1950, by virtue of their not having previously relinquished their respective interests in said power revenues.