

Public Law 270

CHAPTER 484

AN ACT

August 14, 1953
[H. R. 5662]

To amend the Act of June 30, 1948, so as to extend for one year the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents for certain public lands in Monroe County, Michigan, held under color of title.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents for lands held under color of title", approved June 30, 1948 (Public Law 856, Eightieth Congress), is amended by striking out "within five years after passage of this Act" and inserting in lieu thereof "within six years after passage of this Act".

SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act to such Act of June 30, 1948, shall take effect as of June 29, 1953.

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Monroe County,
Mich.
Land patents.

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Effective date.

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AN ACT

August 14, 1953
[H. R. 6185]

To amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 with respect to preference accorded in Federal employment to disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 3 of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. In all examinations to determine the qualifications of applicants for entrance into the service ten points shall be added to the earned ratings of those persons included under section 2 (1), (2), (3), and (5), and five points shall be added to the earned ratings of those persons included under section 2 (4) and (6), who have received a passing grade. In examinations for positions of guards, elevator operators, messengers, and custodians, and in examinations held prior to December 31, 1954, for positions of apprentices, competition shall be restricted to persons entitled to preference under this Act as long as persons entitled to preference are available. In examinations for such other positions as may from time to time be determined by the President, competition shall be restricted, during the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending with the expiration of the authority to induct persons into the Armed Forces under the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended, to persons entitled to preference under this Act."

(b) Section 7 of such Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. The names of preference eligibles who have received a passing grade shall be entered on the appropriate registers or lists of eligibles in accordance with their respective augmented ratings, and the name of a preference eligible shall be entered ahead of all others having the same rating: *Provided*, That except for positions in the professional and scientific services in grade 9 or higher of the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, the names of all qualified preference eligibles who have a compensable service-connected disability of 10 per centum or more, and who are entitled to ten points in addition to their earned ratings, shall be placed at the top of the appropriate civil-service register or employment list, in accordance with their respective augmented ratings."

Veterans.
Federal employ-
ment preference.
58 Stat. 388.
5 USC 852.

5 USC 851.

65 Stat. 75.
50 USC app. 451.

5 USC 856.

63 Stat. 954.
5 USC 1071 note.