to the year in which he commences his service, to a number which is the same percentage of 12,000 as the number of days of his service in such year is of the total number of days in such year. For the purposes of this section, the term 'year' means the period beginning at noon on January 3 of a calendar year and ending at noon on January 3 of the succeeding calendar year."

Effective date.

SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act to such Act of June 23, 1949, as amended, shall take effect as of noon on January 3, 1953.

Approved March 10, 1953.

Public Law 7 — CHAPTER 7

March 14, 1953
[H. R. 2332]

AN ACT

To place temporary limitations on the number of officers serving on active duty in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

Armed Forces. Commissioned officer personnel limitations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) on June 30, 1953, commissioned officer personnel on active duty in the Armed Forces (excluding Reserve officers on active duty training or Reserve officers ordered to active duty for periods of thirty days or less) shall not exceed the following numbers in each grade:

Ranks	Army	Navy	Air Force	Marine Corps
General of the Army or fleet admiral of the Navy	4	3	0	0
General or admiral	8	6	7	1
Lieutenant general or vice admiral	27	24	19	4
Major general or rear admiral	172	128	161	23
Brigadier general or rear admiral	297	128	222	31
Colonel or captain of the Navy	5,199	2,987	4,351	546
Lieutenant colonel or commander	13,230	7,096	8,602	1,186
Major or lieutenant commander	18,075	10,911	21,454	2,522

(b) Vacancies within the allowances prescribed by subsection (a) of this section for any grade may be assigned to any lower grade or grades.

66 Stat. 537.

SEC. 2. Section 634 of Public Law 488, Eighty-second Congress, is hereby repealed.

Termination.

SEC. 3. This Act shall terminate on July 1, 1953.

Approved March 14, 1953.

Public Law 8 — CHAPTER 8

March 23, 1953
[S. 1188]

AN ACT

To amend the Dependents Assistance Act of 1950 to continue in effect certain of the provisions thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 16 of the Dependents Assistance Act of 1950 (Public Law 771, Eighty-first Congress) is amended by deleting the date "April 30, 1953" and inserting in lieu thereof the date "July 1, 1955".

64 Stat. 797.
50 USC app. 2216.

Approved March 23, 1953.