Public Law 254  

AN ACT  

To provide for five-year terms of office for members of the Subversive Activities Control Board with one of such terms expiring in each calendar year.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 12 (a) of the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 is amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the following:  

"The terms of office of the members of the Board in office on the date of enactment of the Subversive Activities Control Board Tenure Act shall expire at the time they would have expired if such Act had not been enacted. The term of office of each member of the Board appointed after the date of enactment of the Subversive Activities Control Board Tenure Act shall be for five years from the date of expiration of the term of his predecessor, except that (1) the term of office of that member of the Board who is designated by the President and is appointed to succeed one of the two members of the Board whose terms expire on August 9, 1955, shall be for four years from the date of expiration of the term of his predecessor, and (2) the term of office of any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be for the remainder of the term of his predecessor. Upon the expiration of his term of office a member of the Board shall continue to serve until his successor shall have been appointed and shall have qualified."

Sec. 2. This Act may be cited as the "Subversive Activities Control Board Tenure Act".  

Approved August 5, 1955.

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AN ACT  

To authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases.  

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any restricted Indian lands, whether tribally or individually owned, may be leased by the Indian owners, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, or business purposes, including the development or utilization of natural resources in connection with operations under such leases, for grazing purposes, and for those farming purposes which require the making of a substantial investment in the improvement of the land for the production of specialized crops as determined by said Secretary. All leases so granted shall be for a term of not to exceed twenty-five years, excepting leases for grazing purposes, which shall be for a term of not to exceed ten years. Leases for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, or business purposes with the consent of both parties may include provisions authorizing their renewal for one additional term of not to exceed twenty-five years, and all leases and renewals shall be made under such terms and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.  

Sec. 2. Restricted lands of deceased Indians may be leased under this Act, for the benefit of their heirs or devisees, in the circumstances