

outside of the area hereby withdrawn, equal in value, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, to the lands relinquished, from the vacant, unappropriated public lands, within the State of Utah, such lieu selections to be made in the manner provided in the enabling Act pertaining to said State, except as to the payment of fees or commissions, which are hereby waived. Valid rights and claims of individuals initiated under Federal law with respect to any lands so selected and prior to such selection shall not be affected by such selection."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 264

CHAPTER 624

AN ACT

To amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act.

August 9, 1955
[S. 1167]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (e) of section 8 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended (16 U. S. C. 590h (e)), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Persons who carry out conservation practices on federally owned noncropland which directly conserve or benefit nearby or adjoining privately owned lands of such persons and who maintain and use such Federal land under agreement with the Federal agency having jurisdiction thereof and who comply with the terms and conditions of the agricultural conservation program formulated pursuant to sections 7 to 17 of this Act, as amended, shall be entitled to apply for and receive payments under such program to the same extent as other producers."

Approved August 9, 1955.

Soil conservation
of Federal
lands.
52 Stat. 34.

Public Law 265

CHAPTER 625

AN ACT

To authorize the conveyance by quitclaim deed of certain land to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Texas.

August 9, 1955
[S. 1340]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is hereby authorized and directed to reconvey, by quitclaim deed, to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Texas, for a monetary consideration equal to that paid by the United States to such district therefor, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to those lands located on Brazos and Padre Island, Cameron County, Texas, including accretions thereto, which were conveyed to the United States by the Brownsville Navigation District by two deeds, both dated October 25, 1932, and recorded in volume 243, pages 260-262, and volume 244, pages 101-103 of the deed records of Cameron County, Texas, except for such portions of the lands or interests therein as the Secretary of the Army may determine are needed in connection with river and harbor improvement works at the location.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall contain such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Army, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Treasury, determines advisable to assure that the use of the land by the Brownsville Navigation District or its transferees will be compatible with the operations of the

Brownsville
Navigation Dis-
trict, Tex.
Conveyance.