

structures where such structures have been damaged in a disaster which the President, pursuant to section 2 (a) of the Act entitled An Act to authorize Federal assistance to States and local governments in major disasters, and for other purposes' (Public Law 875, Eighty-first Congress, approved September 30, 1950), as amended, has determined to be a major disaster."

Approved February 10, 1956.

64 Stat. 1109.  
42 USC 1855a.

Public Law 406

CHAPTER 34

AN ACT

February 14, 1956  
[H. R. 9063]

Making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes.

Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1956.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply appropriations (this Act may be cited as the "Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1956") for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and for other purposes, namely:

CHAPTER I

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

DISASTER RELIEF

For an additional amount for "Disaster relief", \$25,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That not exceeding 3 per centum of the foregoing amount shall be available for administrative expenses.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

SERVICE-DISABLED VETERANS INSURANCE FUND

To increase the capital of the fund established in accordance with section 620 of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended (38 U. S. C. 821), \$750,000.

65 Stat. 36.

CHAPTER II

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL FUNCTIONS

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

For an additional amount for "General investigations", \$330,000, to remain available until expended.

CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL

For an additional amount for "Construction, general", \$34,436,000, to remain available until expended.

## GENERAL EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "General expenses", \$30,000.

## CHAPTER III

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## OPERATING EXPENSES

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE

For an additional amount for "Executive Office", to be available on and after August 12, 1955, for regulating the election of delegates representing the District of Columbia to national political conventions, \$40,000.

## DIVISION OF EXPENSES

The sum appropriated in this Act for the District of Columbia shall, unless otherwise specifically provided for, be paid out of the general fund of the District of Columbia, as defined in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1956.

69 Stat. 246.

## CHAPTER IV

## LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

## SENATE

## SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

## Office of the Vice President

Office of the Vice President: For an additional amount for clerical assistants to the Vice President, \$6,270;

## ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL ASSISTANTS TO SENATORS

Administrative and Clerical Assistants to Senators: For an additional amount for administrative and clerical assistants for Senators, to provide additional clerical assistants for each Senator from the State of California, so that the allowance for administrative and clerical assistants for such Senators will be equal to that allowed other Senators from States having a population of over thirteen million, the population of said State having exceeded thirteen million inhabitants, \$4,780;

## OFFICE OF SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

Office of Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper: For an additional amount for office of Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, \$8,350: *Provided*, That effective August 1, 1955, the basic annual rates of compensation of the following positions shall be: superintendent, press gallery, \$5,340; first assistant superintendent, press gallery, \$4,740; second assistant superintendent, press gallery, \$3,840; third assistant superintendent, press gallery, \$3,300; fourth assistant superintendent, press gallery, \$2,580; secretary, press gallery, \$2,100; superintendent, radio press gallery, \$5,220; first assistant superintendent, radio press gallery, \$4,020; second assistant superintendent, radio press gallery, \$3,540;

third assistant superintendent, radio press gallery, \$3,000; and superintendent, periodical press gallery, \$4,320;

In all, salaries, officers and employees, \$19,400.

#### CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

Reporting Senate proceedings: For an additional amount for reporting the debates and proceedings of the Senate, \$5,465.

Furniture: For an additional amount for materials for, repairs of, and the purchase of furniture, \$5,000.

Inquiries and Investigations: For an additional amount for expenses of inquiries and investigations, fiscal year 1955, \$40,000.

Inquiries and Investigations: For an additional amount for expenses of inquiries and investigations, \$900,000.

Motor Vehicles: For an additional amount for maintaining, exchanging, and equipping motor vehicles, \$5,000.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

For the purpose of determining the amount of insurance for which an individual is eligible under the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, all changes in rates of compensation or salary which result from the appropriations under the heading "Senate" shall be held and considered to be effective as of the first day of the first pay period which begins on or after the date of such enactment.

68 Stat. 736.  
5 USC 2091 note.

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

For payment to Joan B. Cavalcante and Jane B. Thomas, daughters of Vera Buchanan, late a Representative from the State of Pennsylvania, \$22,500.

For payment to Grace B. Dingell, widow of John D. Dingell, late a Representative from the State of Michigan, \$22,500.

#### ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

##### CAPITOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Senate restaurants: For repairs, improvements, equipment, materials, and all necessary incidental expenses, to provide improved facilities for the Senate restaurants, Capitol Building, \$20,000, to remain available until expended and to be expended by the Architect of the Capitol under the supervision of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended.

41 USC 5.

Extension of the Capitol: The paragraph entitled "Extension of the Capitol" in the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1956, is hereby amended by inserting after the words "to remain available until expended" and before the colon, a comma and the following: "and there are hereby authorized to be appropriated such additional sums as may be determined by said Commission to be required for the purposes hereof".

69 Stat. 515.

#### CHAPTER V

##### CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES, AUDITED CLAIMS, AND JUDGMENTS

For payment of claims for damages as settled and determined by departments and agencies in accord with law, audited claims certified

to be due by the General Accounting Office, and judgments rendered against the United States by United States district courts and the United States Court of Claims, as set forth in House Document Numbered 327, Eighty-fourth Congress, \$4,109,201, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay interest (as and when specified in such judgments or in certain of the settlements of the General Accounting Office or provided by law) and such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in foreign currency: *Provided*, That no judgment herein appropriated for shall be paid until it shall have become final and conclusive against the United States by failure of the parties to appeal or otherwise: *Provided further*, That, unless otherwise specifically required by law or by the judgment, payment of interest wherever appropriated for herein shall not continue for more than thirty days after the date of approval of this Act.

Approved February 14, 1956.

## Public Law 407

## CHAPTER 35

## AN ACT

To amend section 601 (g) of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended, to permit transfer of war housing projects to the city of Moses Lake, Washington, and to other communities similarly situated.

February 15, 1956  
[H. R. 6298]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That subsection 601 (g) of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended, is hereby amended by striking the period at the end thereof and adding the following: "if at the time of the relinquishment or transfer there is in existence in such a municipality a local public agency organized specifically and solely for the purpose of slum clearance and community redevelopment."

Moses Lake,  
Wash.

64 Stat. 63.  
42 USC 1581.

Approved February 15, 1956.

## Public Law 408

## CHAPTER 36

## AN ACT

To amend section 120 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 (relating to unlimited deduction for charitable contributions).

February 15, 1956  
[H. R. 7094]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 120 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 (relating to unlimited deduction for charitable and other contributions) is hereby amended by striking out "in each of the ten preceding taxable years" and inserting in lieu thereof "in eight of the ten preceding taxable years".

Taxes.  
Charitable con-  
tributions.  
53 Stat. 56.

SEC. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b), (c), and (d), the amendment made by the first section of this Act shall apply to all taxable years to which the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 applies.

Effective date.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, credit for any overpayment resulting from the amendment made by the first section of this Act shall not be allowed, and the refund of any such overpayment shall be made only if it is established to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate—

Refunds.