Public Law 520 CHAPTER 268

AN ACT

May 14, 1956
[H. R. 8535]

To amend the Act of July 4, 1955, relating to the construction of irrigation distribution systems.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act of July 4, 1955 (69 Stat. 245) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Irrigation distribution systems.
43 USC 421c.

"SEC. 3. The Secretary shall require, as conditions to any such loan, that the borrower contribute in money or materials, labor, lands, or interests in land, computed at their reasonable value, a portion, not in excess of 10 per centum, of the construction cost of the distribution system (including all costs of acquiring lands and interests in land), that the plans for the system be in accord with sound engineering practices and be such as will achieve the purposes for which the system was authorized, and that the borrower agree to account in full in regard to all disbursements of borrowed funds and to return at once for application toward amortization of the loan all funds which are not expended in the construction of the distribution system. Prior to the consummation of any loan under this Act, the borrower shall also be required to transfer to the United States any lands or interests in land which it then holds and which the Secretary finds are required for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the distribution system and to agree to transfer to the United States any lands or interests in land which it may thereafter acquire and which the Secretary may find are required for this purpose and distribution works constructed, in whole or in part, with moneys lent under this Act for the construction thereof. Title to all such lands, interests in land and distribution works shall remain in the United States until the loan is repaid. Every organization contracting for repayment of a loan under this Act shall operate and maintain its distribution works in conformity with reasonable contractual requirements determined to be appropriate for the protection of the United States. When full repayment has been made to the United States, the Secretary shall relinquish all claims under said contracts and shall retransfer to the borrower title to the works and all lands and interests in land which were transferred by it to the United States. The head of any department or agency of the Government within whose administrative jurisdiction are lands owned by the United States the use of which is reasonably necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of distribution works under this Act may grant to a borrower or prospective borrower under this Act revocable permission for the use thereof in like manner as under the Acts of March 3, 1891, secs. 18–21, 26 Stat. 1101, as amended (43 U. S. C., secs. 946–949), January 21, 1895, 28 Stat. 635, as amended (43 U. S. C., sec. 956), February 15, 1901, 31 Stat. 790, as amended (16 U. S. C., secs. 79, 522, 43 U. S. C., sec. 959), February 1, 1905, 33 Stat. 628 (16 U. S. C., sec. 524), March 1, 1921, 41 Stat. 1194 (43 U. S. C., sec. 950), May 9, 1941, 55 Stat. 183 (43 U. S. C., sec. 931a), July 24, 1946, sec. 7, 60 Stat. 643, as amended (43 U. S. C., sec. 931b), May 31, 1947, 61 Stat. 124 (38 U. S. C., sec. 11i), February 5, 1948, 62 Stat. 17 (25 U. S. C., secs. 323–328), or September 3, 1954, 68 Stat. 1146 (43 U. S. C., secs. 931c–931d), or any other similar Act which is applicable to the lands involved: *Provided*, That no such permission shall be granted in the case of lands being administered for national park, national monument, or wildlife purposes. No benefits or privileges under the Federal reclamation laws, including repayment provisions, shall be denied an irrigation distribution system

Conditions of loan.

Land transfers to U. S.

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because such system has been constructed pursuant to this Act. The provisions of this Act shall apply only to irrigation purposes, including incidental domestic and stock water, and loans hereunder shall be interest free. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal or limit the procedural and substantive requirements of section 8 of the Act of June 17, 1902."

32 Stat. 390. 43 USC 372, 383.

Approved May 14, 1956.

Public Law 521 — CHAPTER 269

May 14, 1956 [S. 637]

AN ACT

To provide for the conveyance of Camp Livingston, Camp Beauregard, and Esler Field, Louisiana, to the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes.

Camp Livingston, etc. Conveyance to Louisiana.

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 authorized and directed, if he determines that the real property comprising Camp Livingston, Camp Beauregard, and Esler Field, or any part thereof, is available for conveyance to the State of Louisiana for the training and support of the National Guard of Louisiana, to convey all the right, title, and interest of the United States in such property, together with improvements thereon and appurtenances thereunto belonging, to the State of Louisiana by quitclaim deed, without monetary consideration therefor, but upon condition that it shall be used for the aforesaid purposes and if such real property shall ever cease to be used for such purposes, all the right, title, and interest in and to such real property shall revert to and become the property of the United States which shall have the immediate right of entry thereon, and to be further subject to the reservation by the United States of all mineral rights, including oil and gas; the right of reentry and use by the United States in the event of need therefor during a national emergency; and such other reservations, restrictions, terms, and conditions as the Secretary determines to be necessary to properly protect the interests of the United States.

SEC. 2. The cost of any surveys necessary as an incident of the conveyance authorized herein shall be borne by the State of Louisiana.

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Public Law 522 — CHAPTER 270

May 14, 1956 [S. 2267]

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain public lands in the State of Nevada to the city of Henderson, Nevada.

Henderson, Nevada. Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall issue to the city of Henderson, Nevada, upon the payment by the city into the Treasury of the United States, not more than five years after the Secretary has notified the city of the purchase price, of an amount equal to the fair market value of the lands to be conveyed as determined by the Secretary upon the appraisal of those lands, a patent for the following-described lands, situated in the State of Nevada and comprising approximately six thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine acres (all range references are to the Mount Diablo base and meridian):

(1) All of sections 2, 3, 4, and 24, township 22 south, range 62 east.

(2) All of section 33, township 21 south, range 63 east.