Public Law 547 CHAPTER 348

May 31, 1956
[H. R. 8904]

AN ACT

To amend certain laws relating to the grade of certain personnel of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps upon retirement.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That—

Armed Forces.
Retired lists,
advancement.

(1) subsections 203 (a) and 203 (e) of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (62 Stat. 1085, 1086) are amended by striking the words "during the period September 9, 1940, to June 30, 1946,"; and

10 USC 1002, 1004.

(2) section 5 of the Act of August 21, 1941, as amended (62 Stat. 1085), is further amended by striking the words "during the period September 9, 1940, to June 30, 1946,".

10 USC 594.

SEC. 2. (a) Section 2 of the Act of July 16, 1953 (ch. 203, 67 Stat. 175), is amended to read as follows:

10 USC 943a note.
Effective date.
Retirement application.

"SEC. 2. This Act takes effect on June 29, 1948."

(b) A retired member of the Army or the Air Force who would have been eligible to be retired in a higher grade or advanced to a higher grade on a retired list if the amendment made by subsection (a) of this section had been in effect at the time of his discharge or release from active duty as a commissioned officer, shall, if he applies within one year after the effective date of this Act, be advanced on the applicable retired list to that higher grade, and be entitled to retired pay on and after the effective date of this Act at the rate prescribed by section 5 of the Act of July 31, 1935 (49 Stat. 507), as amended, for that grade.

10 USC 943a, 971b.

SEC. 3. Section 10 (b) (2) of the Act of July 24, 1941, as added by subsection 8 (a) of the Act of February 21, 1946 (60 Stat. 28), is amended by adding after the word "Act" the words "or title III of the Act of August 7, 1947 (61 Stat. 829)".

34 USC 350i.

SEC. 4. (a) Subsection 10 (e) of the Act of July 24, 1941, as added by subsection 8 (a) of the Act of February 21, 1946 (60 Stat. 28), is repealed effective February 21, 1946.

34 USC 350i.

(b) Subsection 203 (f) of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (62 Stat. 1086) is repealed.

10 USC 1005.

(c) Section 1 (c) of the Act of August 9, 1955 (69 Stat. 615), repealing section 7 (c) of the Act of February 21, 1946 (60 Stat. 26), is effective February 21, 1946.

34 USC 410c.

(d) No part of this Act deprives any member or former member of the Armed Forces of entitlement to the retired or retirement pay to which he was entitled on the day before the day on which that part takes effect.

Restriction.

SEC. 5. No person is entitled to advancement on the retired list or to an increase in retired or retirement pay because of this Act for any period before the effective date of this Act.

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June 4, 1956
[S. 460]

AN ACT

To amend section 4482 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (46 U. S. C. 475), relating to life preservers for river steamers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4482 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

River steamers.
Life preservers.
46 USC 475.

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