34 of the east addition to the original townsite of Anchorage, Alaska, complied, prior to August 20, 1954, with the provisions of the Alaska Public Sales Act of August 30, 1949 (63 Stat. 679; 48 U. S. C., secs. 364a–364e), and the regulations issued pursuant thereto, except for the requirement pertaining to the application for the issuance of a patent, he shall grant to the Matanuska Valley Lines, Incorporated, such additional period of time within which to file such application for the aforesaid tracts as he shall deem reasonable.

Joe Blackard and Russell Swank.

SEC. 2. If the Secretary of the Interior finds that Joe Blackard and Russell Swank, operating a joint venture as Blackard and Swank, pursuant to their certificate of conditional purchase issued on August 20, 1951, for tract 6 of block 34 of the east addition to the original townsite of Anchorage, Alaska, complied, prior to August 20, 1954, with the provisions of the Alaska Public Sales Act of August 30, 1949 (63 Stat. 679; 48 U. S. C., secs. 364–364e), and the regulations issued pursuant thereto, except for the requirement pertaining to the application for the issuance of a patent, he shall grant to Joe Blackard and Russell Swank such additional period of time within which to file such application for the aforesaid tract as he shall deem reasonable.

Approved May 18, 1956.

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May 18, 1956
[H. R. 8187]

AN ACT

For the relief of Wright H. Huntley.

Wright H. Huntley.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Wright H. Huntley, Bishop, California, a sum consisting of $20,147.27, representing the amount reported by the United States Court of Claims to the Congress in response to H. Res. 255, Eighty-third Congress (congressional numbered 2–53, decided November 8, 1955), to be the amount agreed to by the United States and the said Wright H. Huntley of losses of the said Wright H. Huntley against the United States as a result of mining operation restrictions by the Government, during the period beginning June 10, 1944, and ending February 21, 1946, in the operation of the Huntley Talc Mine, Saline Valley, Inyo County, California, as a result of the establishment by the United States of the Saline Valley Aerial Gunnery Range which included such mine and certain roads leading thereto: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding $1,000.

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