## CHAPTER XIV

## GENERAL PROVISION

SEC. 1401. Subsection (e) (1) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 665), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Apportionment or reapportionment.

"(e) (1) No apportionment or reapportionment, or request therefor by the head of an agency, which, in the judgment of the officer making or the agency head requesting such apportionment or reapportionment, would indicate a necessity for a deficiency or supplemental estimate shall be made except upon a determination by such officer or agency head, as the case may be, that such action is required because of (A) any laws enacted subsequent to the transmission to the Congress of the estimates for an appropriation which require expenditures beyond administrative control; or (B) emergencies involving the safety of human life, the protection of property, or the immediate welfare of individuals in cases where an appropriation has been made to enable the United States to make payment of, or contributions toward, sums which are required to be paid to individuals either in specific amounts fixed by law or in accordance with formulae prescribed by law."

Availability of funds, etc.

SEC. 1402. The appropriations, authorizations, and authority with respect thereto in this Act shall be available from July 1, 1957, for the purposes provided in such appropriations, authorizations, and authority. All obligations incurred during the period between June 30, 1957, and the date of enactment of this Act in anticipation of such appropriations, authorizations, and authority are hereby ratified and confirmed if in accordance with the terms hereof, and the terms of Public Law 85–78, Eighty-fifth Congress, as amended.

*Ante*, p. 273.

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## Public Law 85-171

August 28, 1957
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### AN ACT

To provide that checks for benefits provided by laws administered by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs may be forwarded to the addressee in certain cases.

Veterans.
Delivery of checks.
*Ante*, p. 120.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That (a) the third sentence of section 920 (a) of the Veterans' Benefits Act of 1957 is amended to read as follows: "Such checks shall be transmitted by mail to the payee thereof at his last known address and, if he has moved and filed a regular change of address notice with the Post Office Department, shall be forwarded to him. The envelope or cover of each such check shall bear on the face thereof the following notice: 'POSTMASTER: PLEASE FORWARD if addressee has moved and filed a regular change-of-address notice. If addressee is deceased, return the letter with date of death, if known'."

(b) Section 920 (b) of such Act is amended by striking out "or moved".

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