

"(1) to procure the fuel, supplies, or services from other sources at its present location; and

"(2) to proceed to the nearest port where they may be obtained without endangering the safety of the ship, the health and comfort of its personnel, or the safe condition of the property carried aboard.

Sales under this section shall be at such prices as the Secretary considers reasonable. Payment will be made on a cash basis or on such other basis as will reasonably assure prompt payment. Amounts received from such a sale shall, unless otherwise directed by another provision of law, be credited to the current appropriation concerned and are available for the same purposes as that appropriation."

SEC. 2. The analysis of chapter 17 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding the following new item:

"654. Public and commercial vessels and other watercraft; sale of fuel, supplies, and services."

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Public Law 86-160

AN ACT

August 14, 1959
[H. R. 3322]

To amend title 10, United States Code, and certain other laws to authorize the payment of transportation and travel allowances to escorts of dependents of members of the uniformed services under certain conditions, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 53 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by adding the following new section after section 1035:

"§ 1036. Escorts for dependents of members: transportation and travel allowances

"Under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary concerned, round trip transportation and travel allowances may be paid to any person for travel performed or to be performed under competent orders as an escort for dependents of a member of the armed forces, if the travel is performed not later than one year after the member—

"(1) dies;

"(2) is missing; or

"(3) is otherwise unable to accompany his dependents;

and it has been determined that travel by the dependents is necessary and that they are incapable of traveling alone because of age, mental or physical incapacity, or other extraordinary circumstances."; and

(2) by adding the following new item at the end of the analysis:

"1036. Escorts for dependents of members: transportation and travel allowances."

SEC. 2. Section 3(a) of the Act of August 10, 1956, chapter 1041, as amended (33 U.S.C. 857(a)), is amended—

(1) by redesignating clauses (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7) as clauses "(2)", "(3)", "(4)", "(5)", "(6)", "(7)", and "(8)", respectively; and

(2) by inserting the following new clause at the beginning:

"(1) Section 1036, Escorts for dependents of members: transportation and travel allowances."

Armed Forces.
Transportation
and travel allow-
ances.
70A Stat. 80; 72
Stat. 1445.

70A Stat. 619; 72
Stat. 1546.
33 USC 857a.

SEC. 3. Section 221(a) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 213a(a)), is amended—

70A Stat. 619; 72 Stat. 1547.

(1) by redesignating clauses (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7) as clauses "(2)", "(3)", "(4)", "(5)", "(6)", "(7)", and "(8)", respectively; and

(2) by inserting the following new clause at the beginning:

"(1) Section 1036, Escorts for dependents of members: transportation and travel allowances."

SEC. 4. Travel and transportation allowances paid before the effective date of this Act to persons ordered by competent authority to escort dependents of members of the uniformed services are hereby validated, if they would have been authorized under section 1 of this Act.

Payments validated.

SEC. 5. Any person who was ordered by competent authority after January 1, 1950, and before the effective date of this Act to escort dependents of members of the uniformed services and who has not been paid travel and transportation allowances, or who has repaid the United States the amount so paid to him, is entitled to be paid the amount otherwise authorized by section 1 of this Act, if application for such payment is made not later than one year after the effective date of this Act.

Application for payment.

SEC. 6. The Comptroller General of the United States, or his designee, shall relieve disbursing officers, including special disbursing agents, from accountability or responsibility for any payments described in section 4 of this Act, and shall allow credits in the settlement of the accounts of those disbursing officers or agents for payments which are found to be free from fraud or collusion.

Disbursing officers, relief.

SEC. 7. No regulations under section 1 of this Act relating to the military departments shall be prescribed by the Secretary of a military department unless such regulations are first approved under procedures prescribed by the Secretary of Defense. Regulations of the Secretaries of the Treasury, Commerce, and Health, Education, and Welfare under section 1, 2, or 3 of this Act shall, to the extent practicable, agree with regulations so approved.

Approval of regulations.

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Public Law 86-161

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to acquire certain real property in the county of Solano, California, to transfer certain real property to the county of Solano, California, and for other purposes.

August 14, 1959
[H. R. 697]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to acquire on behalf of the United States, by gift, purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, the real property described in section 3 of this Act, for the purpose of relocating thereon certain railroad tracks located on the date of enactment of this Act on the real property described in section 4 of this Act.

Solano, Calif.
Property acquisition and conveyance.

SEC. 2. Upon acquisition of the real property described in section 3 of this Act, the Secretary shall convey to the county of Solano, California, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the real property described in section 4 of this Act, upon payment to the United States by such county of all expenses incurred by the United States under the first section of this Act, including expenses incurred