Public Law 86-551

AN ACT

June 29, 1960
[H. R. 11952]

To repeal the Act of May 29, 1958, which authorized and directed the Administrator of General Services to provide for the release of restrictions and reservations contained in an instrument conveying certain land by the United States to the State of Wisconsin.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of May 29, 1958 (72 Stat. 149), is hereby repealed.

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[H. R. 11706]

To authorize an extension of time for final proof under the desert land laws under certain conditions.

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 is authorized, in his discretion, without regard to and in addition to extensions authorized or granted under the provisions of the Acts of March 28, 1908 (35 Stat. 52; 43 U.S.C. 333), April 30, 1912 (37 Stat. 106; 43 U.S.C. 334), March 4, 1915 (38 Stat. 1161; 43 U.S.C. 335), and February 25, 1925 (43 Stat. 982; 43 U.S.C. 336), or other provision of law existing prior to the date of the approval of this Act, to grant to any entryman of the class provided in section 2 of this Act, one extension of not more than three years within which to make final proof, but one additional extension of not more than three years under this Act may be granted to any entryman upon a showing satisfactory to the Secretary that the entryman possesses adequate financing for completion of the necessary irrigation facilities during the requested extension period.

Desert land laws.
Time extension for final proof.

SEC. 2. The benefits of this Act shall be limited to entrymen who, on the date of the approval of this Act, held an uncanceled entry under the desert land laws of the United States to reclaim public lands of the United States located on the Lower Palo Verde Mesa in the Palo Verde Irrigation District in Riverside County, California, and who, within ninety days after approval of this Act, or prior to the cancellation of their entry for failure to submit satisfactory final proof, whichever is later, submit to the satisfaction of the Secretary, a showing that because of unavoidable delay in the construction of the irrigation works intended to convey water to the land embraced in their entry, they are, without fault on their part, unable to make final proof within the time limited therefor, and that the proposed irrigation works is feasible from a financial and engineering standpoint and can be financed within one extension period of not more than three years and can be completed either during such extension period or thereafter in one additional extension period of not more than three years. Within the meaning of this section 2 "unavoidable delay" shall include delay occasioned by litigation involving rights to water for the proposed irrigation works.

"Unavoidable delay".

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in his discretion, to accept as annual proofwork required prior to the date of approval of this Act sums of money expended for engineering or legal expenses incurred in obtaining, attempting to obtain, or perfecting water rights

Legal expenses.

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