30 per centum is clearly shown to have caused a pronounced employment handicap."

(b) The first sentence of section 1502(c)(3) of title 38, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

72 Stat. 1171; 74 Stat. 820.

"(3) Vocational rehabilitation may not be afforded to a veteran on account of post-World War II service after nine years following his discharge or release; except vocational rehabilitation may be afforded to any person until—

"(A) August 20, 1963, if such person was discharged or released before August 20, 1954, or

"(B) Nine years after the date of the enactment of this subparagraph if such person is eligible for vocational rehabilitation by reason of a disability arising from service before such date of enactment, but either after World War II, and before the Korean conflict, or after the Korean conflict."

(c) Section 1502(c)(4) of title 38, United States Code, is amended (1) by striking out "Korean conflict service" and inserting in lieu thereof "post-World War II service"; and (2) by striking out "his service during the Korean conflict" and inserting in lieu thereof "such service".

Repeal. 72 Stat. 1171.

(d) Section 1502(d) of title 38, United States Code, is repealed.

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AN ACT

To validate payments of certain per diem allowances made to members and former members of the United States Coast Guard while serving in special programs overseas.

Coast Guard. Per diem allowances, validation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all duly authorized payments of per diem allowances made to members of the United States Coast Guard who served in the precommissioning details of the Mediterranean loran program of the United States Coast Guard from September 17, 1958, to April 1, 1959, are validated. Any member or former member who has made repayment to the United States of any amount authorized and so paid to him as a per diem allowance is entitled to have refunded to him the amount so repaid. No member or former member who has received per diem payments referred to in this section shall be entitled to receive quarters or subsistence allowance in addition to the validated per diem payments for the same period.

SEC. 2. The Comptroller General of the United States, or his designee, shall relieve disbursing officers of the United States from accountability or responsibility for any duly authorized payments described in section 1 of this Act, and shall allow credits in settlement of the accounts of those officers for duly authorized payments which are found to be free from fraud or collusion.

SEC. 3. Appropriations available to the United States Coast Guard for operating expenses are available for payments under this Act.

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