

in any manner authorized by law, including, but not limited to, the assessment of an additional charge for late payment, the shutting off of water to the regime and the enforcement of the liens for nonpayment of such charges against the individual units in conformity with the percentage of co-ownership established by section 6 of this Act.

SEC. 31. AUTHORITY OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS UNDER REORGANIZATION PLAN NUMBERED 5 OF 1952.—Nothing in this Act or in any amendments made by this Act shall be construed so as to affect the authority vested in the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia by Reorganization Plan Numbered 5 of 1952 (66 Stat. 824). The performance of any function vested by this Act in the Board of Commissioners or in any office or agency under the jurisdiction and control of said Board of Commissioners may be delegated by said Board of Commissioners in accordance with section 3 of such plan.

SEC. 32. SEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this Act, or any section, sentence, clause, phrase, or word or the application thereof, in any circumstances is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Act, and of the application of any such provision, section, sentence, clause, phrase, or word in any other circumstances shall not be affected thereby and to this end, the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SEC. 33. EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act shall take effect one hundred and twenty days after its enactment.

Approved December 21, 1963.

Public Law 88-219

AN ACT

December 21, 1963
[H. R. 5778]

To amend title 39, United States Code, to increase from 10 to 20 miles the area within which the Postmaster General may establish stations, substations, or branches of post offices, and for other purposes.

Branch post offices and stations.
Area increase.
74 Stat. 583.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsections (c) and (d) of section 705 of title 39, United States Code, are amended to read as follows:

"(c) The Postmaster General may establish stations, substations, or branches of a post office within twenty miles of the outer boundary or limits of a village, town, or city having 1,500 or more inhabitants and in which the principal office is located. This authority may not be used by the Postmaster General as a basis for discontinuing an established post office.

"(d) The Postmaster General may establish stations, substations, or branches of a post office at camps, posts, or stations of the Armed Forces, at defense or other strategic installations, and at airports."

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