AN ACT

To amend section 511 (h) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, in order to extend the time for commitment of construction reserve funds.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso at the end of section 511 (h) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, is amended to read as follows: "Provided, That until January 1, 1964, in addition to the extensions hereinbefore permitted, further extensions may be granted ending not later than December 31, 1964."

SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall take effect December 31, 1963, or on the date of enactment of this Act, whichever date first occurs.

Approved December 23, 1963.

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Army to convey a certain parcel of land to the State of Delaware, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to sell and convey to the State of Delaware, by quitclaim deed, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to such federally owned lands of the Fort Miles Military Reservation, Delaware, which are now declared to be excess to the needs of the United States, excluding, however, approximately ten acres located within the town of Lewes, Delaware, known as the off-post housing area.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized herein shall be upon the following terms and conditions:

(a) That portion of the presently excess lands comprising approximately one hundred and fifty-five acres, more or less, which was ceded to the Federal Government by the State of Delaware without cost, shall be conveyed with the improvements thereon to the State of Delaware without monetary payment.

(b) Such lands, other than described in (a) above, as are presently excess shall be conveyed with the improvements thereon to the State of Delaware upon payment to the United States by the State of Delaware of the amount of money determined by the Secretary of the Army to have been paid by the United States for the acquisition of subject lands.

(c) The lands conveyed shall be used solely for educational and/or public park and recreational purposes, and if such use shall ever cease, title to these lands shall revert to, and become the property of the United States which shall have the right of immediate entry thereon.

(d) The State of Delaware shall pay the cost of such surveys as may be necessary to determine the exact legal description of the real property to be conveyed.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Army shall include in the deed of conveyance authorized to be made by this Act a provision authorizing the Secretary of Defense, in any national emergency declared by the President or the Congress, to enter upon and use without cost to the
United States the lands conveyed by such deed if such lands are considered necessary for national defense purposes by the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of the Army may also include in the deed of conveyance such additional reservations and conditions he considers to be in the public interest.

Approved December 23, 1963.

Public Law 88-229

AN ACT
To amend the Alaska Public Works Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to collect, compromise, or release certain claims held by him under that Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Alaska Public Works Act (63 Stat. 627, 628; 48 U.S.C. 486c) is amended by striking out the period at the end of the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof: "Provided, That notwithstanding the requirements of this sentence, or any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to collect, or as he may determine to be justified by the special financial condition of the applicant or other unusual circumstances, to compromise or release any claim or obligation assigned to or held by him in connection with any such agreement until such time as such claim or obligation may be referred to the Attorney General for suit or collection: Provided further, That the Secretary may delegate to the head of any other department or agency of the United States any of his functions, powers and duties with respect to such collection, compromise, or release of claims or obligations as he may deem appropriate, and may authorize the redelegation of such functions, duties, and powers by the head of such department or agency."

Approved December 23, 1963.

Public Law 88-230

AN ACT
To amend the Act of August 3, 1956 (70 Stat. 986), as amended, relating to adult Indian vocational training.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the first section of the Act entitled "An Act relating to employment for certain adult Indians on or near Indian reservations", approved August 3, 1956 (70 Stat. 986; 25 U.S.C. 309), is amended (1) by inserting in the first sentence thereof immediately after "twenty-four months," the following: "and, for nurses' training, for periods that do not exceed thirty-six months," and (2) by striking out the period at the end of the last sentence in such section and inserting in lieu thereof a comma and the following: "or with any school of nursing offering a three-year course of study leading to a diploma in nursing which is accredited by a recognized body or bodies approved for such purpose by the Secretary."

(b) Section 2 of said Act of August 3, 1956, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 2. There is authorized to be appropriated for the purposes of this Act the sum of $12,000,000 for each fiscal year, and not to exceed $1,500,000 of such sum shall be available for administrative purposes."

Approved December 23, 1963.