(2)(A) The Executive Director, with the approval of the Commission, is authorized to obtain services of experts and consultants on a temporary or intermittent basis in accordance with the provisions of section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem equivalent of the rate authorized for GS-18 by section 5332 of such title.

(B) The Commission shall employ the services of an actuarial consultant holding membership in the American Academy of Actuaries and qualified in the evaluation of pension plans. Such consultant may be appointed without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointments in the competitive service, and may be paid without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates.

(e) The Railroad Retirement Board and any other department, agency, or instrumentality of the Federal Government is authorized to cooperate with and assist the Commission, at its request, in carrying out its duties by furnishing services, information, data, or other material which the Commission feels will be helpful in carrying out its duties.

(f) Funds appropriated to the President shall be available to defray the expenses of the Commission, other than expenses incurred pursuant to subparagraph (e) of this section.

(g) The Commission shall, not later than July 1, 1971, submit to the President and the Congress a full and complete report of the study authorized by this section together with its recommendations for changes in the railroad retirement system designed to provide adequate levels of benefits thereunder on an actuarially sound basis. The Commission shall cease to exist sixty days after the date of the submission of such report.

Approved August 12, 1970.
SEC. 2. (a) To carry out the purposes of this Act, there is hereby established in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture a three-year pilot program designated as the Youth Conservation Corps (hereinafter referred to as the "Corps"). The Corps shall consist of young men and women who are permanent residents of the United States, its territories, or possessions, who have attained age fifteen but have not attained age nineteen, and whom the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture may employ during the summer months without regard to the civil service or classification laws, rules, or regulations, for the purpose of developing, preserving, or maintaining lands and waters of the United States under the jurisdiction of the appropriate Secretary.

(b) The Corps shall be open to youth of both sexes and youth of all social, economic, and racial classifications, with no person being employed as a member of the Corps for a term in excess of ninety days during any single year.

SECRETARIAL DUTIES

SEC. 3. (a) The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture shall:

(1) determine the areas under their administrative jurisdictions which are appropriate for carrying out programs using employees of the Corps;

(2) determine the rates of pay, hours, and other conditions of employment in the Corps: Provided, That members of the Corps shall not be deemed to be Federal employees, other than for the purposes of chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code, and chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code;

(3) provide for such transportation, lodging, subsistence, and other services and equipment as they may deem necessary or appropriate for the needs of members of the Corps in their duties. The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may contract with any public agency or organization or any private nonprofit agency or organization which has been in existence for at least five years for the operation of any Youth Conservation Corps project. Whenever economically feasible, existing but unoccupied Federal facilities, including military facilities, shall be utilized for the purposes of the Corps where appropriate and with the approval of the Federal agency involved. To minimize transportation costs Corps members shall be employed on conservation projects as near to their places of residence as is feasible:

(4) promulgate regulations to insure the safety, health, and welfare of the Corps members;

(5) prepare a report, indicating the most feasible and efficient method for initiating a cost-sharing youth conservation program with State natural resource, conservation, or outdoor recreation agencies, which report shall be submitted to the President not later than one year following enactment of this Act for transmittal to the Congress for review and appropriate action.

(b) The provision of title II of the Revenue and Expenditure Control Act of 1968 (82 Stat. 251, 270) shall not apply to appointments made to the Corps, to temporary supervisory personnel, or to temporary program support staff.
Joint annual report to President for transmittal to Congress.

SEC. 4. Upon completion of each year's pilot program, the Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Agriculture shall prepare a joint report detailing the contribution of the program toward achieving the purposes of the Act and providing recommendations. Each report shall be submitted to the President not later than one hundred and eighty days following completion of that year's pilot program. The President shall transmit the report to the Congress for review and appropriate action.

AUTHORIZATION OF FUNDS

SEC. 5. For three years following enactment of this Act, there are hereby authorized to be appropriated amounts not to exceed $3,500,000 annually to be made available to the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Approved August 13, 1970.

August 15, 1970
[S. 3302]

Public Law 91-379

AN ACT

To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I—DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT AMENDMENTS

§ 101. Extension of Act

The first sentence of section 717(a) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2166(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking out "August 15, 1970" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1972"; and

(2) by striking out "section 714" and inserting in lieu thereof "sections 714 and 719".

§ 102. Definitions

Section 702 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2152) is amended—

(1) by inserting "space," after "stockpiling," in subsection (d); and

(2) by adding at the end thereof a new subsection as follows:

"(f) The term 'defense contractor' means any person who enters into a contract with the United States for the production of material or the performance of services for the national defense."

§ 103. Uniform cost-accounting standards

Title VII of the Defense Production Act of 1950 is amended by adding at the end thereof a new section as follows:

"COST-ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD

"Sec. 719. (a) There is established, as an agent of the Congress, a Cost-Accounting Standards Board which shall be independent of the executive departments and shall consist of the Comptroller General of the United States who shall serve as Chairman of the Board and four members to be appointed by the Comptroller General. Of the members appointed to the Board, two, of whom one shall be particularly knowledgeable about the cost accounting problems of small business, shall be from the accounting profession, one shall be representative of indus-