

(c) Payment authorized to be made under this section in the case of any veteran or widow shall be made by the Secretary of the Army, out of funds available for the payment of retired pay to Army personnel, upon certification by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs of the entitlement of such veteran or widow to receive such payment. In no case may any payment be made to any veteran or widow under this section unless application for such payment is made within five years after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 1974.

Effective date.

Approved December 6, 1973.

Public Law 93-178

AN ACT

December 10, 1973
[H. R. 11710]

To insure that the compensation and other emoluments attached to the Office of Attorney General are those which were in effect on January 1, 1969.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the compensation and other emoluments attached to the Office of Attorney General shall be those which were in effect on January 1, 1969, notwithstanding the provisions of the salary recommendations for 1969 increases transmitted to the Congress on January 15, 1969, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, or provision which has the force and effect of law, which is enacted or becomes effective during the period from noon, January 3, 1969, through noon, January 2, 1975.

SEC. 2. (a) Any person aggrieved by an action of the Attorney General may bring a civil action in the appropriate district court to contest the constitutionality of the appointment and continuance in office of the Attorney General on the ground that such appointment and continuance in office is in violation of article I, section 6, clause 2, of the Constitution. The United States district courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, without regard to the sum or value of the matter in controversy, to determine the validity of such appointment and continuance in office.

(b) Any action brought under this section shall be heard and determined by a panel of three judges in accordance with the provisions of section 2284 of title 28, United States Code. Any appeal from the action of a court convened pursuant to such section shall lie to the Supreme Court.

(c) Any judge designated to hear any action brought under this section shall cause such action to be in every way expedited.

Approved December 10, 1973.

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83 Stat. 863.
5 USC 5312 and
note.

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1.

62 Stat. 968;
74 Stat. 201.

Public Law 93-179

AN ACT

December 11, 1973
[H. R. 7446]

To establish the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That as this Nation approaches the bicentennial of its birth and the historic events preceding and associated with the American Revolution which are of

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