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PUBLIC LAWS OF THE SIXTY-FIFTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES

Passed at the third session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the second day of December, 1918, and was adjourned without day on Tuesday, the fourth day of March, 1919.

WOODROW WILSON, President; THOMAS R. MARSHALL, Vice President; WILLARD SAULSBURY, President of the Senate *pro tempore*; CHAMP CLARK, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. 1.—An Act To amend section thirty-five hundred and twenty-eight of the Revised Statutes.

December 2, 1918.  
[H. R. 12698.]

[Public, No. 244.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section thirty-five hundred and twenty-eight of the Revised Statutes be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Minor coins.

"SEC. 3528. For the purchase of metal for the minor coinage, authorized by this Act, a sum not exceeding \$400,000 in lawful money of the United States shall, upon the recommendation of the Director of the Mint and in such sums as he may designate, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, be transferred to the credit of the superintendents of the mints at Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Denver, at which establishments, until otherwise provided by law, such coinage shall be carried on. The superintendents, with the approval of the Director of the Mint as to price, terms, and quantity shall purchase the metal required for such coinage by public advertisement, and the lowest and best bid shall be accepted, the fineness of the metals to be determined on the mint assay. The gain arising from the coinage of such metals into coin of a nominal value, exceeding the cost thereof, shall be credited to the special fund denominated the minor coinage profit fund; and this fund shall be charged with the wastage incurred in such coinage, and with the cost of distributing said coins, as hereinafter provided. The balance remaining to the credit of this fund, and any balance of the profits accrued from minor coinage under former Acts, shall be, from time to time, and at least twice a year, covered into the Treasury of the United States."

Amount for purchase of metal for minor coinage.  
R. S., sec. 3528, p. 698, amended.

Price, etc.

Minor coinage profit fund.

Profits to be covered into the Treasury.

Approved, December 2, 1918.

CHAP. 2.—An Act Extending the time for the construction of a bridge across the Arkansas River, at the foot of Garrison Avenue, at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

January 1, 1919.  
[H. R. 13153.]

[Public, No. 245.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the times for commencing the construction and completion of a bridge authorized by the Act of Congress approved July twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to be built across the Arkansas River, at the foot of Garrison Avenue, at Fort Smith, Arkansas, by the Sebas-

Arkansas River.  
Time extended for bridging, Fort Smith, Ark.  
*Ante*, p. 247, amended.

tian bridge district, are hereby extended to one year and three years, respectively, from July twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, January 1, 1919.

January 1, 1919.  
[H. J. Res. 356.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 47.]

CHAP. 3.—Joint Resolution Authorizing payment of the salaries of officers and employees of Congress for December, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Congressional officers to be paid December salaries December 21, 1918.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives are authorized and instructed to pay the officers and employees of the Senate and the House of Representatives, including the Capitol police, their respective salaries for the month of December, nineteen hundred and eighteen, on the twenty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and eighteen; and the Clerk of the House is authorized to pay on the same day to Members, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners their allowance for clerk hire for the said month of December: *Provided*, That the session employees of the Senate and House of Representatives shall be paid for the entire month of November, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and a sufficient sum is appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for that purpose.

Clerk hire of Members and Delegates.

*Proviso.*  
Appropriation for session employees for entire month of November, 1918.

Approved, January 1, 1919.

January 7, 1919.  
[H. R. 13261.]  
[Public, No. 246.]

CHAP. 4.—An Act Providing for the transportation from the District of Columbia of governmental employees whose services no longer are required.

Civilian employees on war work, D. C. Transportation home furnished those no longer required.  
*Post*, p. 1266.  
Limit.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the heads of the several executive departments and other governmental establishments in the District of Columbia are authorized to furnish to such civilian employees, receiving compensation, exclusive of the additional \$120, at the rate of not more than \$1,400 per annum or less than \$100 per annum, under their respective jurisdiction as have come to the District of Columbia since April sixth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, whose services are no longer required and whose employment has been or may be terminated by the Government without delinquency or misconduct on their part during the period from November eleventh, nineteen hundred and eighteen, to February twentieth, nineteen hundred and nineteen, inclusive, their actual railroad transportation, including sleeping-car accommodations, from the District of Columbia to the place from which they accepted employment or to their legal residence, or to such other place not a greater distance as the employee may elect.

Dates applicable, etc.

Time for applying.

SEC. 2. That such transportation must be applied for within ten days after the termination of service and shall be used within five days after issuance unless an extension of time on account of illness be granted by the proper authority: *Provided*, That as to the employees whose services have been terminated during the period between November eleventh, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and the date of the passage of this Act, inclusive, the time within which transportation shall be applied for shall be twenty days from the date of the passage of this Act. Any person who shall sell, exchange, or transfer such transportation for the use of another shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.

*Proviso.*  
If services already terminated.

Penalty for misuse.