

of the United States, or (2) is a person in the service of the United States on the date of enactment of this Act who, being eligible for citizenship, had filed a declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States prior to such date, or (3) is a person who owes allegiance to the United States: *Provided*, That for the purpose of this section, an affidavit signed by any such person shall be considered prima facie evidence that the requirements of this section with respect to his status have been complied with. The provisions of this section shall not apply to citizens of the Commonwealth of the Philippines.

SEC. 304. This Act may be cited as the "First Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1943".

Approved March 18, 1943.

Affidavit.

Exception.

Short title.

[CHAPTER 18]

AN ACT

To extend the jurisdiction of naval courts martial in time of war or national emergency to certain persons outside the continental limits of the United States.

March 22, 1943

[S. 303]

[Public Law 12]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in addition to the persons now subject to the Articles for the Government of the Navy, all persons, other than persons in the military service of the United States, outside the continental limits of the United States accompanying or serving with the United States Navy, the Marine Corps, or the Coast Guard when serving as a part of the Navy, including but not limited to persons employed by the Government directly, or by contractors or subcontractors engaged in naval projects, and all persons, other than persons in the military service of the United States, within an area leased by the United States which is without the territorial jurisdiction thereof and which is under the control of the Secretary of the Navy, shall, in time of war or national emergency, be subject to the Articles for the Government of the Navy except insofar as these articles define offenses of such a nature that they can be committed only by naval personnel: *Provided*, That the jurisdiction herein conferred shall not extend to Alaska, the Canal Zone, the Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands, except the islands of Palmyra, Midway, Johnston, and that part of the Aleutian Islands west of longitude one hundred and seventy-two degrees west.

Naval courts martial.

Extension of jurisdiction in war or national emergency.

R. S. § 1624.

34 U. S. C. § 1200.

Limitations.

Approved March 22, 1943.

[CHAPTER 19]

AN ACT

To amend section 301, World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, to authorize renewal of expiring five-year level premium term policies of those in active military or naval service and certain others outside the continental limits of the United States, and for other purposes.

March 23, 1943

[H. R. 2023]

[Public Law 13]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last proviso of the first paragraph of section 301 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended (38 U. S. C. 512), is hereby amended by substituting a colon for the period at the end thereof and adding the following: "*Provided further*, That any five-year level premium term policy which shall expire while the insured is outside the continental limits of the United States and in the opinion of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs cannot be reached promptly by the usual

World War Veterans' Act, 1924, amendments.

47 Stat. 334.

38 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 512.

Five-year term policies.

Renewal for persons outside U. S.

Automatic renewal while in active service abroad.

56 Stat. 143.
50 U. S. C., Supp. II, app. § 1001 (b).

Allotment subject to prospective termination.

56 Stat. 143, 145.
50 U. S. C., Supp. II, app. §§ 1001-1017.

Effective period.

methods of communication, may be renewed at the expiration of any five-year period, by the designated beneficiary or by an agent authorized in writing by the insured to take such action, for a second or third or fourth five-year term period at the premium rate for the attained age without medical examination: *Provided further*, That unless it be shown by evidence satisfactory to the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs that the insured does not desire renewal, any such policy in force when the five-year term period expires or has expired on or after December 7, 1941, while the insured was in the active service (as defined in section 1 (b) of Public Law 490, Seventy-seventh Congress) outside the continental limits of the United States, excluding any policy continued in another form of Government insurance, will be deemed to have been renewed at the expiration of such five-year term period, and the head of the department concerned is hereby authorized and directed to make an allotment under Public Law 490, Seventy-seventh Congress, subject to prospective termination by the insured in accordance with section 7 thereof, to cover the premiums at the required rate from the date of renewal: *And provided further*, That the two foregoing provisos authorizing renewal of a five-year level premium term policy by any person other than the insured or his duly authorized agent shall be effective until the termination of hostilities as proclaimed by the President or as determined by joint resolution of the Congress, and for three months thereafter."

Approved March 23, 1943.

[CHAPTER 20]

AN ACT

March 23, 1943
[H. R. 2030]
[Public Law 14]

To permit the shipment tax-free of certain tobacco products to territories of the United States for the use of members of the military and naval forces of the United States.

Internal Revenue Code, amendment.
53 Stat. 234.
26 U. S. C. § 2135
(a) (1).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2135 (a) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code be amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2135. EXEMPTION FROM TAX.

"(a) SHIPMENTS TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES.—

Tobacco products for U. S. forces.

"(1) MANUFACTURERS.—Manufactured tobacco, snuff, cigars, or cigarettes may be removed for export to a foreign country or for shipment to a possession of the United States (or, until the date on which the President proclaims that hostilities in the present war have terminated, to a territory of the United States for the use of members of the military or naval forces of the United States) without payment of tax under such rules and regulations and the making of such entries, and the filing of such bonds and bills of lading as the Commissioner, with the approval of the Secretary, shall prescribe."

Approved March 23, 1943.

[CHAPTER 21]

AN ACT

March 23, 1943
[S. 677]
[Public Law 15]

To amend the National Housing Act, as amended.

National Housing Act, amendments.
53 Stat. 56; 56 Stat. 301.
12 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 1738 (a).
Post, p. 571.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 603 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by (1) striking out "\$800,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1,200,000,000"; and (2) striking out of the third proviso "July 1,