

## [CHAPTER 798]

## AN ACT

To extend the time for commencing the construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Rio Grande City, Texas.

July 2, 1948  
[H. R. 5252]  
[Public Law 875]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the time for commencing the construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Rio Grande City, Texas, authorized to be built by Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, legal representatives and assigns, by an Act of Congress approved July 31, 1946, is hereby extended until July 31, 1949. Construction of such bridge shall be commenced on or before such date and shall be prosecuted with reasonable diligence until same is completed.

Rio Grande.  
Bridge, time extension.

60 Stat. 748.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby reserved.

Rights reserved.

Approved July 2, 1948.

## [CHAPTER 804]

## AN ACT

To provide that the rates of compensation for disabilities incurred in active military or naval service other than in a period of war service shall be equal to 80 per centum of the rates payable for similar disabilities incurred during active service in time of war.

July 2, 1948  
[S. 595]  
[Public Law 876]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, effective the first day of the first month following the passage of this Act, paragraph II of part II of Veterans Regulation Numbered I (a), as amended, is amended to read as follows:

Veterans.  
Disability compensation.  
38 U. S. C. note foll.  
§ 739, p. 4265.

"II. For the purposes of part II, paragraph I (a) hereof, if the disability results from injury or disease, the compensation shall be equal to 80 per centum of the compensation now or hereafter payable for the disability, had it been incurred in or aggravated by active military or naval service during a period of war service as provided in part I of this regulation."

Approved July 2, 1948.

## [CHAPTER 805]

## AN ACT

To provide increases of compensation for certain veterans with service-connected disabilities who have dependents.

July 2, 1948  
[S. 2821]  
[Public Law 877]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any person entitled to compensation at wartime rates for disability incurred in or aggravated by active service as provided in part I, or paragraph I (c), part II, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, or the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, and restored with limitations by Public Law 141, Seventy-third Congress, March 28, 1934, as amended, and whose disability is rated not less than 60 per centum, shall be entitled to additional compensation for dependents in the following monthly amounts:

Disabled veterans.  
Additional compensation for dependents.  
38 U. S. C. note foll.  
§ 739, p. 4264.  
*Ante*, pp. 581, 582, 1213.  
43 Stat. 607; 48 Stat. 524.  
38 U. S. C. §§ 421, 473a, 471a, 722, 706, 366, 367, 501a, 709, 700, 723, 511a.

(1) If and while rated totally disabled and—

- (a) has a wife but no child living, \$21;
- (b) has a wife and one child living, \$35;
- (c) has a wife and two children living, \$45.50;
- (d) has a wife and three or more children living, \$56;
- (e) has no wife but one child living, \$14;
- (f) has no wife but two children living, \$24.50;

(g) has no wife but three or more children living, \$35;

(h) has a mother or father, either or both dependent upon him for support, then, in addition to the above amounts, \$17.50 for each parent so dependent.

Partial disability.

(2) If and while rated partially disabled, but not less than 60 per centum, in an amount having same ratio to the amount specified in subsection (1) hereof as the degree of his disability bears to the total disability.

Compensation at peacetime rates.

*Ante*, p. 1219.

*Ante*, p. 1213.

SEC. 2. That any person entitled to compensation at peacetime rates for disability incurred in or aggravated by active service as provided in paragraph II, part II, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, except paragraph I (c) thereof, and whose disability is rated not less than 60 per centum, shall be entitled to additional compensation for dependents in the following monthly amounts:

(1) If and while rated totally disabled and—

(a) has a wife but no child living, \$16.80;

(b) has a wife and one child living, \$28;

(c) has a wife and two children living, \$36.40;

(d) has a wife and three or more children living, \$44.80;

(e) has no wife but one child living, \$11.20;

(f) has no wife but two children living, \$19.60;

(g) has no wife but three or more children living, \$28;

(h) has a mother or father, either or both dependent upon him for support, then, in addition to the above amounts, \$14 for each parent so dependent.

Partial disability.

(2) If and while rated partially disabled, but not less than 60 per centum, in an amount having same ratio to the amount specified in subsection (1) hereof as the degree of his disability bears to the total disability.

Restriction.

SEC. 3. The additional compensation for a dependent or dependents provided by this Act shall not be payable to any veteran during any period he is in receipt of an increased rate of compensation or of subsistence allowance on account of a dependent or dependents under any other law administered by the Veterans' Administration: *Provided*, That he may elect to receive whichever is the greater.

48 Stat. 8.  
38 U. S. C. §§ 701-721; Supp. I, § 701 note.

*Ante*, p. 500.  
Effective date.

SEC. 4. The administrative, definitive, and penal provisions of Public Law Numbered 2, Seventy-third Congress, and Veterans Regulations thereunder, as amended, shall be for application under this Act.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the second calendar month next succeeding its enactment.

Approved July 2, 1948.

[CHAPTER 806]

AN ACT

To provide for the establishment of the Pensacola National Monument.

July 2, 1948  
[H. R. 3416]  
[Public Law 878]

Pensacola National Monument, Fla.  
Acquisition of land.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to receive on behalf of the United States, the following parcels of land, together with any improvements thereon, now located in the harbor defenses of Pensacola on lands owned by the Department of the Army, in Escambia County, State of Florida, not needed by either the War or Navy Department and transferred in accordance with existing law:

(1) Old Fort San Carlos and Old Fort Barrancas (approximate area four acres).

(2) Old Fort Redoubt (approximate area four acres).

(3) Old Fort Pickens (approximate area five acres).