

shall be established by concurrent resolution of the Congress or by determination of the President".

SEC. 3. That the third sentence of the first section of said Act is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the words "The amount allowed on account of personal injury or death shall be limited to reasonable medical, hospital, and burial expenses actually incurred, except that", and by capitalizing the next following word "no".

SEC. 4. That the amendment made by the third section of this Act shall be effective only with respect to claims accruing after the date of its enactment.

Approved March 29, 1956.

Effectivity.

Public Law 447

CHAPTER 104

AN ACT

To abolish the Castle Pinckney National Monument, in the State of South Carolina, and for other purposes.

March 29, 1956
[H. R. 4391]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Castle Pinckney National Monument, South Carolina, is hereby abolished and the property contained therein is hereby authorized to be disposed of in accordance with the laws relating to the disposition of surplus Federal property.

Castle Pinckney
Nat'l. Monument,
S. C.

Approved March 29, 1956.

Public Law 448

CHAPTER 105

AN ACT

To authorize land exchanges for purposes of Colonial National Historical Park, in the State of Virginia; to authorize the transfer of certain lands of Colonial National Historical Park, in the State of Virginia, to the Commonwealth of Virginia; and for other purposes.

March 29, 1956
[H. R. 5280]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of preserving more effectively for the public benefit the historic properties within Colonial National Historical Park, Virginia, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to consummate desirable land exchanges, as hereafter prescribed, and thereby to reduce and adjust the boundaries of the park. Any lands eliminated from the park hereunder shall not subsequently be added to the park except by Act of Congress.

Colonial National Historical
Park, Va.
Land exchanges.

In furtherance of these purposes, the Secretary is authorized on behalf of the United States to accept from grantors title to non-Federal land and interests in land, together with the improvements thereon, situated within the authorized park boundaries, and in exchange therefor, to convey by deed on behalf of the United States to the aforesaid grantors land or interests therein, together with the improvements thereon, situated within Colonial National Historical Park that may be used advantageously for exchange purposes. The aforesaid exchanges are authorized to be made without additional compensation by either party to the exchange when the properties to be exchanged are of approximately equal value. When, however, the properties are not of approximately equal value, as may be determined by the Secretary, an additional payment of funds shall be required by the Secretary or by the grantor of non-Federal properties, as the case

may be, in order to make an equal exchange. The Secretary is authorized to use any land acquisition funds relating to the National Park System for such purposes. The Secretary may consummate land exchanges herein authorized upon such terms, conditions, and procedures as he may find to be necessary or desirable in carrying out the purposes of this Act; and in evaluating non-Federal properties to be acquired hereunder, he is authorized to make such allowance as he may find to be equitable for the value of any residential properties that may be situated upon land to be acquired pursuant to this Act. If expedient and in the public interest to do so, he may assist in the removal of structures from property to be acquired hereunder through the exchange procedure, and he may cooperate with public or private agencies and persons in the securing of housing for the aforesaid grantors who may require new housing accommodations or facilities as a result of the land exchanges herein authorized.

Transfer.

SEC. 2. The Secretary is further authorized to transfer without compensation up to fifteen acres of the Colonial National Historical Park, Virginia, to the Commonwealth of Virginia for use by agencies of the Commonwealth in the establishment of a State Park in furtherance of the purposes of the Colonial National Historical Park.

Approved March 29, 1956.

Public Law 449

CHAPTER 106

AN ACT

March 29, 1956
[H. R. 4680]

Affirming that title to a certain tract of land in California vested in the State of California on January 21, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to tract 39, township 4 north, range 18 east, Mount Diablo meridian, California, as identified on the plat of survey approved August 5, 1931, by the United States Supervisor of Surveys and accepted on March 2, 1932, by the Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office of the Department of the Interior, vested in the State of California on January 21, 1897, the date on which the original plat of survey of such lands was accepted by the Commissioner of the General Land Office of such Department under the school land grant made to such State by the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the Survey of the Public Lands in California, the granting of Preemption Rights therein, and for other purposes", approved March 3, 1853 (10 Stat. 244), and that the United States has not held any interest in such lands since the date on which title to it so vested in the State of California.

Approved March 29, 1956.

Public Law 450

CHAPTER 107

AN ACT

March 29, 1956
[H. R. 4802]

To authorize the execution of mortgages and deeds of trust on individual Indian trust or restricted land.

Indians.
Mortgages and
deeds of trust.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the individual Indian owners of any land which either is held by the United States in trust for them or is subject to a restriction against alienation imposed by the United States are authorized, subject to approval by the