

Public Law 92-270

AN ACT

To authorize certain naval vessel loans, and for other purposes.

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[H. R. 9526]

Naval vessels.
Loans to foreign
countries.
70A Stat. 452.

75 Stat. 424.
22 USC 2151
note.

Presidential
authority, termi-
nation date.
Loan periods.

Termination
conditions.

Information to
Congress.

Rules and
regulations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding section 7307 of title 10, United States Code, or any other provision of law, the President may lend five destroyers and two submarines to the Government of Spain; one destroyer and two submarines to the Government of Turkey; two destroyers to the Government of Greece; two destroyers to the Republic of Korea; and two submarines to the Government of Italy in addition to any ships previously authorized to be loaned to these nations, with or without reimbursement and on such terms and under such conditions as the President may deem appropriate. All expenses involved in the activation, rehabilitation, and outfitting (including repairs, alterations, and logistic support) of ships transferred under this Act shall be charged to funds programed for the recipient government as grant military assistance under the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, or successor legislation, or to funds provided by the recipient government. The authority of the President to lend naval vessels under this section shall terminate on December 31, 1974.

SEC. 2. Loans executed under this Act shall be for periods, not exceeding five years, at the end of which, each ship shall be returned to the United States Navy at a location to be designated by the Secretary of Defense. Loans executed under this Act shall be made subject to the condition that the loan may be terminated by the President if he finds that the armed forces of the borrowing country have engaged at any time after the date of such loan, in acts of warfare against any country which is a party to a mutual defense treaty ratified by the United States. Loans shall be made on the condition that they shall be terminated at an earlier date if the President determines they no longer contribute to the defense requirements of the United States.

SEC. 3. No loan may be made under this Act unless the Secretary of Defense, after consultation with the Joint Chiefs of Staff, determines that such loan is in the best interest of the United States. The Secretary of Defense shall keep the Congress currently advised of all loans made or extended under this Act.

SEC. 4. The President may promulgate such rules and regulations as he deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5. Any loan made to a country under this Act shall not be construed as a commitment by the United States to the defense of that country.

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AN ACT

To provide that the unincorporated territories of Guam and the Virgin Islands shall each be represented in Congress by a Delegate to the House of Representatives.

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Guam and Virgin
Islands.
Delegate to the
House of Repre-
sentatives.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the territory of Guam and the territory of the Virgin Islands each shall be represented in the United States Congress by a nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives, elected as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 2. (a) The Delegate shall be elected by the people qualified to vote for the members of the legislature of the territory he is to represent at the general election of 1972, and thereafter at such general election every second year thereafter. The Delegate shall be elected at large, by separate ballot and by a majority of the votes cast for the office of Delegate. If no candidate receives such majority, on the fourteenth day following such election a runoff election shall be held between the candidates receiving the highest and the second highest number of votes cast for the office of Delegate. In case of a permanent vacancy in the office of Delegate, by reason of death, resignation, or permanent disability, the office of Delegate shall remain vacant until a successor shall have been elected and qualified.

Election.

(b) The term of the Delegate shall commence on the third day of January following the date of the election.

SEC. 3. To be eligible for the Office of Delegate a candidate must—

Eligibility.

(a) be at least twenty-five years of age on the date of the election,

(b) have been a citizen of the United States for at least seven years prior to the date of the election,

(c) be an inhabitant of the territory from which he is elected, and

(d) not be, on the date of the election, a candidate for any other office.

SEC. 4. The legislature of each territory may determine the order of names on the ballot for election of Delegate, the method by which a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate shall be conducted, the method by which ties between candidates for the office of Delegate shall be resolved, and all other matters of local application pertaining to the election and the office of Delegate not otherwise expressly provided for herein.

Territorial legislature, election procedures.

SEC. 5. The Delegate from Guam and the Delegate from the Virgin Islands shall have such privileges in the House of Representatives as may be afforded him under the Rules of the House of Representatives. Until the Rules of the House of Representatives are amended to provide otherwise, the Delegate from each territory shall receive the same compensation, allowances, and benefits as a Member of the House of Representatives, and shall be entitled to whatever privileges and immunities are, or hereinafter may be, granted to the Resident Commissioner for Puerto Rico: *Provided*, That the right to vote in committee shall be as provided by the Rules of the House of Representatives: *Provided further*, That the clerk hire allowance of each Delegate shall be a single per annum gross rate that is 60 per centum of the clerk hire allowance of a Member: *Provided further*, That the transportation expenses of each Delegate that are subject to reimbursement under section 1 of the Act of September 17, 1967 (81 Stat. 226, 2 U.S.C. 43b), shall not exceed the cost of four round trips each year.

Compensation, allowances, etc.

Clerk hire allowance.

Transportation expenses.

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