

no assistant shall receive an annual salary in excess of \$7,500. The Commission shall have authority, subject to the provisions of the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, to appoint such other officers, engineers, accountants, inspectors, attorneys, examiners, and other employees as are necessary in the execution of its functions."

Approved, January 22, 1936.

Other employees.  
U. S. C., p. 85.

[CHAPTER 29.]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act forbidding the transportation of any person in interstate or foreign commerce, kidnaped, or otherwise unlawfully detained, and making such Act a felony", as amended.

January 24, 1936.  
[S. 2421.]

[Public, No. 424.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act entitled "An Act forbidding the transportation of any person in interstate or foreign commerce, kidnaped, or otherwise unlawfully detained, and making such act a felony", as amended (48 Stat. 781; U. S. C., title 18, secs. 408a, 408b, and 408c, be, and it is hereby, amended by the addition of the following section:

Federal Kidnaping  
Act, amendment.  
Vol. 48, p. 781; U. S.  
C., p. 756.

"SEC. 4. Whoever receives, possesses, or disposes of any money or other property, or any portion thereof, which has at any time been delivered as ransom or reward in connection with a violation of section 1 of this Act, knowing the same to be money or property which has been at any time delivered as such ransom or reward, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment in the penitentiary for not more than ten years, or both."

Knowingly handling  
ransom money, etc.

Punishment.

Approved, January 24, 1936.

[CHAPTER 32.]

AN ACT

To provide for the immediate payment of World War adjusted service certificates, for the cancelation of unpaid interest accrued on loans secured by such certificates, and for other purposes.

January 27, 1936.  
[H. R. 9870.]

[Public, No. 425.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That notwithstanding the provisions of the World War Adjusted Compensation Act, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, title 38, ch. 11), the adjusted-service certificates issued under the authority of such Act are hereby declared to be immediately payable. Payments on account of such certificates shall be made in the manner hereinafter provided upon application therefor to the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, and upon surrender of the certificates and all rights thereunder (with or without the consent of the beneficiaries thereof). The payment in each case shall be in an amount equal to the face value of the certificate, except that if, at the time of application for payment under this Act, the principal and unpaid interest accrued prior to October 1, 1931, with respect to any loan upon any such certificate has not been paid in full by the veteran (whether or not the loan has matured), then the Administrator shall (1) pay or discharge such unpaid principal and interest as is necessary to make the certificate available for payment under this Act, (2) deduct such unpaid principal and so much of such unpaid interest as accrued prior to October 1, 1931, from the amount of the face value of the certificate, and (3) certify to the Secretary of the Treasury as payable an amount equal to the difference between the face value of the certificate and the amount so deducted.

Adjusted Compensation  
Payment Act,  
1930.  
U. S. C., p. 1680.

Immediate payment  
of certificates.

Amount.