

## Public Law 127

## CHAPTER 204

## JOINT RESOLUTION

July 16, 1953  
[H. J. Res. 294]

Continuing the availability of appropriations for the Small Defense Plants Administration for the month of July 1953, and for other purposes.

66 Stat. 656.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That not to exceed \$300,000 of the unobligated balance of the appropriation "Salaries and expenses, Small Defense Plants Administration, 1953" shall remain available through July 31, 1953. The revolving fund established under said Administration shall remain available through July 31, 1953, for payment of obligations and direct costs under contracts entered into during the fiscal year 1953.

Ante, p. 119.

SEC. 2. Appropriations and authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution shall be subject to the provisions of sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of the joint resolution approved June 30, 1953 (Public Law 91), making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1954.

SEC. 3. Appropriations and authority granted by this joint resolution shall be available on and after July 1, 1953, and all obligations incurred in anticipation of the enactment hereof are ratified and confirmed if otherwise in accordance with the terms hereof.

Approved July 16, 1953.

## Public Law 128

## CHAPTER 219

## AN ACT

July 17, 1953  
[S. 1422]

To continue the effect of the statutory provisions relating to the deposit of savings for members of the Army and Air Force, and for other purposes.

Armed Forces.  
Savings de-  
posits.  
10 USC 906, 907  
and notes.  
Ante, p. 131.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of December 18, 1942 (56 Stat. 1057), as extended by the Emergency Powers Continuation Act (66 Stat. 330), is amended by—

(1) striking out ", but shall be forfeited by desertion" appearing in section 1 thereof;

(2) amending section 3 thereof to read,

Termination.

"SEC. 3. The amendments herein provided by sections 1 and 2 shall be effective until July 1, 1954."; and

(3) adding at the end thereof the following new section:

10 USC 906.

"SEC. 4. (a) Section 1305 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is amended by striking out ', but shall be forfeited by desertion'.

34 USC 933.

"(b) The Act of February 9, 1889 (ch. 119, 25 Stat. 657), is hereby amended by striking out ', but shall be forfeited by desertion'.

Repeal.  
34 USC 933a.

"(c) The proviso to section 2 of the Act of June 15, 1943 (ch. 125, 57 Stat. 152), is hereby repealed."

Approved July 17, 1953.

## Public Law 129

## CHAPTER 220

## AN ACT

July 17, 1953  
[S. 1529]

To amend the Act of July 28, 1942 (ch. 528, 56 Stat. 722), relating to posthumous appointments and commissions, and for other purposes.

Armed Forces.  
Posthumous ap-  
pointments, etc.  
10 USC 491a-  
491d, 612; 34 USC  
285b-285f.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of July 28, 1942 (ch. 528, 56 Stat. 722), is amended as follows:

(a) By deleting the words "Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy", and the words "Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy" wherever they appear therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "appropriate Secretary";

(b) By deleting the words "in the military or naval service" wherever they appear therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "in the military service";

(c) By deleting the words "War or Navy Department" wherever they appear therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "military department concerned";

(d) By deleting the words "be, and they are hereby, severally" in section 4 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "is"; and

(e) By renumbering section 5 as "SEC. 6" and inserting immediately after section 4 a new section 5 as follows:

"SEC. 5. For the purposes of this Act, in any case where the date of death is established or determined under the Missing Persons Act, as amended, the date of death is the date of receipt by the head of the department concerned of evidence that the person is dead, or the date the finding of death is made under section 5 of that Act, as amended."

SEC. 2. This amendatory Act is effective June 25, 1950.

Approved July 17, 1953.

10 USC 491d; 34  
USC 285f.

Date of death.

56 Stat. 143; 58  
Stat. 679.  
50 USC app. 1001  
note.

Effective date.

Public Law 130

CHAPTER 221

AN ACT

To provide certain construction and other authority for the military departments in time of war or national emergency.

July 17, 1953  
[S. 1995]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force are respectively authorized, during the national emergency proclaimed by the President on December 16, 1950, and for six months thereafter, or until July 1, 1954, or until such date as may be specified by a concurrent resolution of the Congress, whichever is the earliest, to provide for the acquisition, construction, establishment, expansion, rehabilitation, conversion, and installation, on land or at plants privately or publicly owned, of such industrial-type plants, buildings, facilities, equipment, machine tools, utilities, and appurtenances or interest therein, including the necessary land therefor by purchase, donation, lease, condemnation, or otherwise (without regard to sections 1136, 3648, and 3734 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, and prior to approval of title to the underlying land by the Attorney General), as may be necessary for defense production or mobilization reserve purposes, and to provide for the maintenance, storage and operation thereof and of those established pursuant to the provision of the Act of July 2, 1940 (54 Stat. 712), as amended (50 U. S. C. App. 773, 1171 (a)), and the Act of December 17, 1942 (56 Stat. 1053), as amended (50 U. S. C. App. 1201), either by means of Government personnel or qualified commercial manufacturers under contract with the Government: *Provided,* That as soon as practicable prior to the submission of a budgetary request to the Congress for the purchase of equipment or machine tools pursuant to this section, the Secretary of Defense shall inform the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and of the House of Representatives in detail with respect to the proposed program therefor. When the Secretary concerned deems it necessary in the interest of the national defense, he may lease any such plants, buildings, facilities, equipment, utilities,

Armed Forces.  
Construction  
authority.

64 Stat. A454.

10 USC 1339; 31  
USC 529; 40 USC  
259, 267.

56 Stat. 317.