“Sec. 204. Except as provided in section 203 and 211 of this title, appointment to the grade of nurse in the Regular Navy shall be with the rank of ensign or lieutenant (junior grade), and each such appointment shall be subject to revocation by the Secretary of the Navy until such time as the appointee has served under such appointment for three years from the date of appointment. Officers whose appointments are so revoked shall be discharged from the service without advanced pay. Appointees shall be female citizens of the United States who shall have reached the age of twenty-one years on July 1 of the calendar year in which appointed. No person shall be appointed pursuant to this section until she shall have established her mental, moral, educational, professional, and physical qualifications to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Navy. A person appointed under this section shall be appointed with the rank of—

“(1) ensign, if she is not more than twenty-seven years of age on the date of nomination by the President and is not qualified for appointment as a lieutenant (junior grade) under clause (2); or

“(2) lieutenant (junior grade), if she is qualified under regulations issued by the Secretary of the Navy and is not more than thirty years of age on the date of nomination by the President.

The maximum ages specified in clauses (1) and (2) are increased by the period of active Federal commissioned service performed after December 31, 1947. However, such an age may not be so increased by more than five years.”

Approved May 27, 1953.

Public Law 38

AN ACT

To retrocede to the State of Virginia concurrent jurisdiction over certain highways within Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted to the State of Virginia a retrocession of jurisdiction over portions of highways described below within the Fort Belvoir Military Reservation to the extent that all laws of the State and all laws of the United States shall be applicable thereon and the United States and the State shall exercise concurrent jurisdiction thereover: United States Highway Numbered 1 between the easterly and westerly boundaries of the reservation, Virginia Highway Numbered 617 from Accotink to the northwesterly boundary of the reservation, Virginia Highway Numbered 618 between United States Highway Numbered 1 and Virginia Highway Numbered 613, Virginia Highway Numbered 613 from its intersection with Virginia Highway Numbered 611 (also known as Telegraph Road) to its intersection with Virginia Highway Numbered 618, and over the following area: Beginning at the intersection of the center lines of Virginia Highways Numbered 613 and 617; thence westerly at right angles to the center line of Highway Numbered 617, four feet; thence north forty degrees west two hundred thirty-two and forty-seven one-hundredths feet to center of bridge; thence north fifty degrees east forty-four feet to a point in stream; thence south forty degrees east one hundred eighty-eight and forty-seven one-hundredths feet to a point in Highway Numbered 613; thence south five degrees west sixty-two and twenty-three one-hundredths feet to point of beginning. This legislation is to be effective only as to those portions of the highways and area indicated...
herein over which the United States has heretofore acquired exclusive jurisdiction and shall not affect portions of such highways and area, if any, over which exclusive or concurrent jurisdiction is now vested in the State of Virginia. The general location of the numbered highways and the bounded area are shown on a map designated: War Department, O. C. E., Construction Division, Real Estate, Fort Belvoir Layout Map, approved 22 September 1944, Drawing No. MAD 37, on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army.

Sec. 2. The retrocession of jurisdiction provided for in section 1 of this Act shall take effect upon the acceptance thereof by the Legislature of the State of Virginia.

Approved May 27, 1953.

Public Law 39

AN ACT

To continue in effect certain appointments as officers and as warrant officers of the Army and of the Air Force.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if the appointment as a commissioned officer or warrant officer of any person who is determined, as provided in the Missing Persons Act (56 Stat. 143), as amended, to have been in a status of missing, missing in action, interned, captured, beleaguered, or besieged at any time after June 25, 1950, and before the termination of the national emergency proclaimed by the President on December 16, 1950 (Proc. 2914, 3 C. F. R. 71), would normally terminate before the person holding that appointment is released from active duty, the President is authorized to continue that appointment in effect until that person is released from active duty. On or before the date of his release from active duty, any such person who agrees in writing to have his appointment as a Reserve commissioned officer or a Reserve warrant officer continued in effect for an indefinite term shall be given an indefinite term appointment in lieu of the appointment which he holds at that time.

Approved May 27, 1953.

Public Law 40

AN ACT

To authorize payment for the transportation of household effects of certain naval personnel.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That payment of the cost of transportation (including packing, crating, drayage, and unpacking) of household effects of members of the naval forces, upon release from active duty, from their homes of record to places selected by such members is hereby authorized to be made from current appropriations as may be available for such services and any payments representing the cost of such transportation (including packing, crating, drayage, and unpacking) herefore made, are ratified and approved: Provided, That such transportation shall have been authorized prior to June 13, 1947, pursuant to duly promulgated regulations of the Navy Department: Provided further, That the transportation costs authorized to be paid hereunder are limited to the constructive costs of transportation from the last duty stations to the homes of record.

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