

member. The board shall by majority vote decide the question referred to it and shall do so in accordance with the provisions of this compact concerning such reimbursement. The decision of the board on each question referred to it concerning reimbursement for loss of taxes and for economic losses and damages shall be binding on the commission and on each signatory state, notwithstanding any other provision of this compact.

ARTICLE VI

Nothing contained in this compact shall be construed as a limitation upon the authority of the United States.

ARTICLE VII

Appropriations by States.

The signatory states agree to appropriate for compensation of agents and employees of the commission and for office, administrative, travel and other expenses on recommendation of the commission subject to limitations as follows: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts obligates itself to not more than seventy-five hundred (7500) dollars in any one year, the State of New Hampshire obligates itself to not more than one thousand (1000) dollars in any one year, the State of Vermont obligates itself to not more than one thousand (1000) dollars in any one year and the State of Connecticut obligates itself to not more than sixty-five hundred (6500) dollars in any one year.

ARTICLE VIII

Separability clause.

Should any part of this compact be held to be contrary to the constitution of any signatory state or of the United States, all other parts thereof shall continue to be in full force and effect.

ARTICLE IX

Notice of approval.

This compact shall become operative and effective when ratified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the States of New Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut and approved by the Congress of the United States. Notice of ratification shall be given by the governor of each state to the governors of the other states and to the President of the United States, and the President of the United States is requested to give notice to the governors of each of the signatory states of approval by the Congress of the United States.

Rights reserved.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

Approved June 6, 1953.

Public Law 53

CHAPTER 104

AN ACT

June 6, 1953
[S. 380]

To authorize the sale or lease by the State of Kansas of certain lands situated near Garden City, Kansas.

Kansas. Lease or sale of land.

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 to authorize the sale of certain lands near Garden City, Kansas", approved March 10, 1928, is amended to read as follows: "That the State of Kansas is hereby authorized to sell or lease for any purpose all or any part of the lands granted to the State under the provisions of the Act entitled 'An Act granting to the State of Kansas

title to certain lands in said State for use as a game preserve', approved June 22, 1916, without regard to any restrictions contained in such Act, but upon condition that the proceeds of any such sale or lease be used by the State of Kansas to purchase or acquire other land in the State to be used as a State game refuge or for the further purposes and uses of the Forestry, Fish, and Game Commission of the State of Kansas as may be provided by the laws of the State."

Approved June 6, 1953.

Public Law 54

CHAPTER 105

AN ACT

To extend the time for filing a report by the Committee on Retirement Policy for Federal Personnel established by the Act of July 16, 1952.

June 6, 1953
[S. 1870]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 (b) of the Act entitled "An Act to amend section 8 of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended", approved July 16, 1952 (66 Stat. 723), is amended by striking out "December 31, 1953" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1954".

50 USC 731 note.

Approved June 6, 1953.

Public Law 55

CHAPTER 106

AN ACT

Providing for the reconveyance to the town of Morristown of certain land included within the Morristown National Historical Park, in the State of New Jersey.

June 6, 1953
[S. 1292]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to convey to the town of Morristown, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, without consideration, for public use, and under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may deem advisable, the following described property comprising a part of the Morristown National Historical Park:

Morristown, N. J.
Conveyance.

That certain parcel of land comprising a part of the Fort Nonsense area of Morristown National Historical Park, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the twelfth corner of the eleventh tract which was conveyed by town of Morristown to the United States of America by deed dated July Fourth, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Three, which has been recorded at the Morris County clerk's office in book of deeds Q-33, page 433; thence—

(1) following the twelfth course therein south forty-nine degrees forty-six minutes east ninety-nine and fifty one-hundredths feet, to the thirteenth corner thereof, thence

(2) following the thirteenth course therein north forty-two degrees fourteen minutes east seventy and seventy one-hundredths feet, to the fourteenth corner thereof, thence

(3) following the fourteenth course therein north eight degrees ten minutes east one hundred eight and twenty one-hundredths feet, to the fifteenth corner thereof, thence

(4) following the fifteenth course therein north forty-seven degrees eighteen minutes west ninety-seven feet, to the sixteenth corner thereof, thence