exemption shall apply only to a ground for exclusion of which the Department of State or the Department of Justice have knowledge prior to the enactment of this Act.

Approved August 7, 1953.

Private Law 149

AN ACT

To authorize the payment of compensation to Clarence A. Beutel, formerly Deputy Administrator of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, for the period from September 10, 1952, through June 1, 1953.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 1761 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (5 U. S. C. 56), the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is authorized to pay to Clarence A. Beutel the compensation earned by him as Deputy Administrator of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation from September 10, 1952, through June 1, 1953.

Approved August 8, 1953.

Private Law 150

AN ACT

For the relief of the estate of Frank DeNuzzi and Cecelia Melnik Burns.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $10,000 to the estate of Frank DeNuzzi, of 103 Mesereau Avenue, Staten Island, New York, to pay the sum of $1,500 to Cecelia Melnik Burns, of 8 Parish Avenue, Travis, Staten Island, New York, in full settlement of all claims against the United States for the death of the said Frank DeNuzzi and all expenses incident thereto and personal injuries to Cecelia Melnik Burns sustained as the result of an accident involving a United States soldier stationed at Gulfport, Staten Island, New York, on June 23, 1943: Provided, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding $1,000.

Approved August 8, 1953.

Private Law 151

AN ACT

To authorize the sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska for use as a mission school.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska.
Bishop of Northern Alaska, a religious corporation sole organized and existing under the laws of the Territory of Alaska, is hereby authorized for a period of one year from and after the effective date of this Act to apply for the purchase of, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to convey to the corporation, for use as a mission school, the following-described public lands situated in Alaska:

Lots 2, 3, 4, 7, and 8 and the north half of the northwest quarter and the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 15, township 3 north, range 1 west, Copper River Meridian, Alaska, containing approximately two hundred and fifty-six acres; and lots 6 and 7 and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter and the south half of the southwest quarter of section 10, township 3 north, range 1 west, Copper River Meridian, Alaska, containing approximately two hundred and six acres.

SEC. 2. That the conveyance shall be made upon the payment by the said corporation for the land at its reasonable appraised price of not less than $1.25 per acre, to be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior; Provided, That the conveyance hereby authorized shall not include any land covered by a valid existing right initiated under the public-land laws; Provided further, That the coal and other mineral deposits in the land shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same under applicable laws and regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Approved August 8, 1953.

Private Law 152

To authorize the sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Alaska Council of Boy Scouts of America for a campsite and other public purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Alaska Council of Boy Scouts of America is hereby authorized for a period of one year from and after the effective date of this Act to apply for the purchase of, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to convey to the organization for a campsite and other public purposes, the following-described public lands situated in Alaska:

Lots 1, 2, 6, 7, and 8 of section 10, township 5 north, range 9 west, Seward meridian, embracing approximately one hundred thirty-three and eighty-six one-hundredths acres.

SEC. 2. That the conveyance shall be made upon the payment by the said council for the land at its reasonable appraised price of not less than $1.25 per acre, to be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior; Provided, That the conveyance hereby authorized shall not include any land covered by a valid existing right initiated under the public-land laws; Provided further, That the coal and other mineral deposits in the land shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same under applicable laws and regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

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