

deduction of a greater amount is necessary to effect collection within the period or anticipated period of active duty or employment. If such individual retires, resigns, or his employment or period of active duty is otherwise terminated before such adjustment has been completed, adjustment shall be made by decreasing subsequent payments, of whatever nature, due such person by the department, agency, or independent establishment concerned. Nothing in this section shall modify any existing law which provides for forfeiture of pay or allowances.

SEC. 2. Each Secretary of a department, or head of an agency or independent establishment, as appropriate, shall prescribe regulations to carry out the purposes of this Act. Such regulations shall be approved by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget. Regulations prescribed by the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force shall be uniform for the military services insofar as practicable.

SEC. 3. (a) In accordance with settlement procedures prescribed by the Comptroller General of the United States, the Secretary of the department concerned or the head of the agency or independent establishment concerned is authorized to charge the net amount of the unpaid and overpaid balances occurring in individual pay accounts against the appropriation for the fiscal year in which the balances occurred, and from which the amount was payable, and the net amount shall be credited to and paid from the corresponding appropriation for the next succeeding fiscal year.

(b) The Act of February 9, 1946 (ch. 2, 60 Stat. 3) is repealed.

SEC. 4. Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed as repealing, amending, or modifying in any way the provisions of the Act of May 22, 1928 (ch. 676, 45 Stat. 698).

Approved July 15, 1954.

Regulations.

Unpaid and overpaid balances.

Repeal.  
31 USC 634a.

10 USC 875a.

## Public Law 498

## CHAPTER 510

### AN ACT

To amend section 12 of the Alaska Public Works Act, approved August 24, 1949 (63 Stat. 629).

July 15, 1954  
[H. R. 2683]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 12 of the Alaska Public Works Act, approved August 24, 1949 (63 Stat. 629), is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 12. The authority of the Secretary under this Act to provide public works and to enter into agreements with applicants in connection therewith shall terminate on June 30, 1959, or on the date he obligates for such purposes the total amount authorized to be appropriated hereunder, whichever first occurs."

Approved July 15, 1954.

Alaska public works program.

48 USC 486j.

Termination date.

## Public Law 499

## CHAPTER 511

### AN ACT

To suspend for two years the duty on crude bauxite and on certain calcined bauxite and to remit the duty on certain bauxites to be imported for addition to the carillon of The Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina.

July 15, 1954  
[H. R. 222]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, effective only with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for

Bauxite.  
Suspension of duty.

consumption during the two-year period which begins on the day following the date of the enactment of this Act, no duty shall be imposed upon bauxite, crude, not refined or otherwise advanced in condition in any manner, or upon calcined bauxite when imported for use in the manufacture of firebrick or other refractories under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe.

The Citadel,  
Bells.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to admit free of duty twenty-four bells imported for addition to the carillon possessed by The Citadel, an educational institution situated in Charleston, South Carolina.

Approved July 15, 1954.

Public Law 500

CHAPTER 512

AN ACT

July 15, 1954  
[H. R. 8538]

To provide for the revocation or denial of merchant marine documents to persons involved in certain narcotics violations.

Narcotic users.  
Seaman's document.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That when used in this Act—

58 Stat. 721.

(a) The term "narcotic drug" shall have the meaning ascribed to that term by paragraph (a) of the first section of the Narcotic Drugs Import and Export Act, as amended (21 U. S. C., sec. 171 (a)), and also shall include marihuana as defined in section 3238 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code.

53 Stat. 387.  
26 USC 3238.

(b) The term "Secretary" means the head of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating.

(c) The term "seaman's document" means any document authorized by law or regulation to be issued to a merchant mariner by the Secretary.

Denial.

SEC. 2. The Secretary may—

(a) deny a seaman's document to—

(1) any person who, within ten years prior to the date of the application therefor, has been convicted in a court of record of a violation of the narcotic drug laws of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any State or Territory of the United States, which conviction has become final; or

(2) any person who, unless he furnishes satisfactory evidence that he is cured, has ever been a user of or addicted to the use of a narcotic drug; and

Revocation.

(b) take action, based on a hearing before a Coast Guard examiner, under hearing procedures prescribed by the Administrative Procedure Act, as amended (U. S. C., title 5, secs. 1001-1011), to revoke the seaman's document of—

60 Stat. 237.

(1) any person who, subsequent to the effective date of this Act and within ten years prior to the institution of the action, has been convicted in a court of record of a violation of the narcotic drug laws of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any State or Territory of the United States, the revocation to be subject to the conviction's becoming final; or

(2) any person who, unless he furnishes satisfactory evidence that he is cured, has been, subsequent to the effective date of this Act, a user of or addicted to the use of a narcotic drug.

Approved July 15, 1954.