whole or in part) of maintaining and operating such project structures and appurtenances (including real property), and second to State or local governmental agencies, to acquire property not transferred to other Federal agencies. Providing that the provisions of this Act, relating to the Palestine Dam (lock and dam numbered 4) on the Little Kanawha River in West Virginia, be inoperative until such time as the Federal Government has reimbursed the State of West Virginia through its Conservation Commission, the sum of $20,000 to cover the cost of damage to the State-owned fish hatchery near Palestine, which was damaged by the failure of the Government to keep the dam in proper repair.

Palestine Dam.

Approved August 6, 1956.

Public Law 997 CHAPTER 985

AN ACT

August 6, 1956
[H. R. 6586]

To amend section 7 of the War Claims Act of 1948, with respect to claims of certain religious organizations functioning in the Philippine Islands.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 7 of the War Claims Act of 1948 (50 App. U. S. C., sec. 2006) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

War Claims Act of 1948, amendments.
62 Stat. 1245.

"(h) (1) Any religious organization functioning in the Philippines and of the same denomination as a religious organization functioning in the United States which furnished relief (as described, and during the period designated, in subsection (a) of this section) in the Philippines to members of the Armed Forces of the United States or to civilian American citizens shall be compensated from the War Claims Fund (A) for expenditures incurred, or for payment of the fair value of supplies used by such organization, for the purpose of furnishing such relief and (B) for loss and damage sustained as a consequence of the war to its schools, colleges, universities, scientific observatories, hospitals, dispensaries, orphanages, and other property or facilities connected with its educational, medical, or welfare work. No payments shall be made to any organization under this subsection if such organization has received an award under subsection (a) or (b) of this section, and no payments shall be made to any organization pursuant to clause (B) of this paragraph unless such organization has received an award for war damages from the Philippine War Damage Commission under the provisions of the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946, as amended.

Religious organizations in the Philippines.
Compensation.

60 Stat. 128.
50 U S C app. 1751 note.

"(2) The Commission is authorized to receive, determine according to law, and provide for the payment of claims filed under this subsection. Each claim allowed by the Commission under this subsection shall be certified to the Secretary of the Treasury for payment out of the War Claims Fund. All payments under this subsection shall be made to an organization or individual in the United States designated by the claimant, and, in the case of claims under clause (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection such payments shall be used for the purpose of restoring the educational, medical, and welfare facilities described in such clause.

"(3) Claims for benefits under this subsection must be filed within six months after the date of enactment of this subsection. The Commission shall complete its determination with respect to each claim filed under this subsection at the earliest practicable date, but in no event later than one year after the date on which such claim was filed.

"(4) Claims filed pursuant to clause (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be determined and paid upon the basis of postwar cost of replacement for the twelve-month period ending October 1, 1952, as ascertained by the Commission."

Approved August 6, 1956.

## Public Law 998 CHAPTER 986

August 6, 1956
[H. R. 11197]

### AN ACT

**To provide for the retention in public ownership of certain lands around the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Florida and Georgia, being administered by the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.**

Jackson County, Fla.
Retention of lands.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following-described lands of the United States in Jackson County, Florida, adjacent to the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, under the administration and management of the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, pursuant to the general plan entered into in accordance with section 3 of the Act of August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1080), shall be retained by the United States for fish and wildlife and recreational purposes.

16 USC 663.

JACKSON COUNTY

Township 5 north, range 7 west:

Section 31: East half less west half of northwest quarter of northeast quarter and west half of southeast quarter of northwest quarter of northeast quarter; north half of southeast quarter of northwest quarter, plus 5 acres in northeast quarter of northeast quarter of northwest quarter; southeast quarter of southwest quarter.

Section 32: All.

Section 30: East half less north half of northwest quarter of northeast quarter and west half of southwest quarter of northwest quarter of northeast quarter.

Section 29: All.

Section 19: East half and northeast quarter of southeast quarter; northeast quarter of southwest quarter; southeast quarter of northwest quarter.

Section 20: Southwest quarter of southwest quarter.

Township 5 north, range 8 west:

Section 36: South half of southeast quarter.

Township 4 north, range 8 west:

Section 1: East quarter; northeast corner, northwest quarter of northeast quarter, 4 acres.

Section 12: Northeast quarter of northeast quarter, less cemetery.

Township 4 north, range 7 west:

Section 5: All.

Section 6: All.

Section 7: Northeast quarter; east half and northwest quarter of northwest quarter; northeast quarter of southeast quarter; north half of northwest quarter of southeast quarter; north half of northeast quarter of southwest quarter.

Section 8: All.

Section 17: Northwest quarter of northwest quarter; northwest quarter of southwest quarter of northwest quarter.

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