

Public Law 85-285

AN ACT

September 4, 1957
[H. R. 8918]

To further amend the Act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 896), as amended by the Act of October 25, 1951 (65 Stat. 657), to provide for the exchange of lands of the United States as a site for the new Sibley Memorial Hospital; to provide for the transfer of the property of the Hahnemann Hospital of the District of Columbia, formerly the National Homeopathic Association, a corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, to the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries, including Sibley Memorial Hospital, a corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

Sibley Memorial
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properties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subparagraph (c) of section 1 of the Act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 896), as amended by the Act of October 25, 1951 (65 Stat. 657), is further amended by inserting immediately after the word "otherwise" and before the closing parenthesis in the first clause thereof the following language: "including the transfer to the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries, including Sibley Memorial Hospital, a corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, hereinafter referred to as 'Sibley Memorial Hospital', of so much of the lands of the United States reserved for a site for the National Training School for Girls by the Act of July 14, 1892 (27 Stat. 165), as amended, not exceeding twelve acres, as the Administrator determines will provide an adequate site for the new Sibley Memorial Hospital and Nurses Home project, in exchange for the transfer by the Sibley Memorial Hospital, as hereinafter provided, of the land and buildings comprising the site of the hospital and nurses home now held by the Hahnemann Hospital of the District of Columbia, formerly the National Homeopathic Association, a corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, hereinafter referred to as Hahnemann Hospital, upon such terms and conditions as the Administrator determines to be in the public interest: *Provided*, That the exchange of properties herein authorized shall not be made until the Administrator determines the fair market value of the respective properties to be exchanged and credits in the grant agreement to be executed between the United States of America and the Sibley Memorial Hospital to the appropriate transferee the amount by which the value of one property exceeds the value of the other property: *Provided further*, That the value of any interest in the properties to be exchanged which the District of Columbia may have, as determined by the Administrator of General Services, shall be credited against the amount repayable by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia pursuant to section 5 of this Act: *Provided further*, That the Administrator may, in his discretion, with the consent of the Sibley Memorial Hospital, defer the exchange of deeds to such properties until such time as construction of the new Sibley Memorial Hospital and Nurses Home is determined by him to have been substantially completed: *And provided further*, That the board of trustees of the Hahnemann Hospital are hereby empowered to transfer and convey to the Sibley Memorial Hospital, upon such terms as may be approved by the Administrator, all the property, real, personal, and mixed of the Hahnemann Hospital, and dissolve the same; and the Sibley Memorial Hospital is hereby empowered to lease, sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of all such property and apply the proceeds to the objects for which the Sibley Memorial Hospital is incorporated: *Provided, however*, That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed to make the United States liable in any way on account of said

transfer, or the changing of the direction of any charitable trust involved in such action.”

SEC. 2. Such Act is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

“SEC. 7. The Administrator, upon application of any private agency participating under the provisions of this Act, with respect to any lien or encumbrance of the United States created prior to June 28, 1941, under authority of the Act of March 3, 1893 (27 Stat. 552; title 32, D. C. Code, 1950 edition, sec. 1003), or similar statutory provision including but not limited to the Act of February 25, 1885 (23 Stat. 310), the Act of March 2, 1889 (25 Stat. 807), the Act of March 4, 1907 (34 Stat. 1295, 1350), and the Act of July 28, 1866 (14 Stat. 310, 317), as amended and supplemented, existing upon or against any lands acquired or buildings or improvements constructed thereon, with moneys in whole or in part appropriated or expended under authority of any Act of Congress, which lands and improvements are now held by any nonprofit private hospital agencies operating hospital facilities in the District of Columbia and participating in the District of Columbia Hospital program under the provisions of this Act, and which are determined by the Administrator to be no longer required for hospital purposes, shall equitably determine the amount to which the United States would be entitled to reimbursement in the event of the dissolution of any such private agency or in the event of the disposal of such property by any such private agency, by ascertaining as near as may be practicable the proportionate amount which any such lien bears to any other contribution or fund used for such purposes; and the lien in the amount so determined, upon acceptance by any such agency, shall be transferred from and in discharge of the old hospital site to and become a lien against the land upon which the new hospital facilities have been constructed or otherwise provided for any such private agency under the provisions of this Act, as amended: *Provided*, That any such lien so transferred shall be consolidated with the lien created upon the acceptance of any grant of funds from the Administrator of General Services Administration under authority of this Act, as amended and the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1893 (27 Stat. 552), and shall be subordinate to any deed of trust, mortgage, or other security or encumbrance on such property then existing, or hereafter created for the purpose of providing new or additional hospital facilities.”

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To further amend the Reorganization Act of 1949, as amended, so that such Act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before June 1, 1959.

September 4, 1957
[S. 1791]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (b) of section 5 of the Reorganization Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 205; 5 U. S. C. 133 z-3), as last amended by the Act of March 25, 1955 (69 Stat. 14), is hereby further amended by striking out “June 1, 1957” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 1, 1959”.

Reorganization
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ments.

SEC. 2. Subsection (a) of section 6 of the Reorganization Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 205; 5 U. S. C. 133 z-4) is amended by striking out “, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the authorized membership of that House.”

Approved September 4, 1957.