Public Law 85-880

AN ACT

To provide for participation of the United States in the World Science-Pan Pacific Exposition to be held at Seattle, Washington, in 1961, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President, through an executive department or independent agency designated by him, shall cooperate with the Washington State World Fair Commission with respect to, and determine the extent to which the United States shall be a participant and an exhibitor at, the World Science-Pan Pacific Exposition (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "exposition") which is being held at Seattle, Washington, in 1961. The purposes of such exposition are to—

1. commemorate the centennial of the physical fixing of the boundary line between the United States of America and Canada,
2. depict the role of science in modern civilization, and
3. exhibit the varied cultures of the nations of the Pacific Rim.

The President is authorized, by proclamation or in such other manner as he may deem proper, to invite the several States of the Union and foreign countries to take part in the exposition: Provided, That no Communist de facto government holding any people of the Pacific Rim in subjugation be invited to participate.

Sec. 2. There shall be in the designated department or independent agency a Commissioner for the exposition who shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and who shall receive compensation at the rate of $17,500 per annum. The head of the designated department or independent agency shall prescribe the duties of the Commissioner and may delegate such powers and duties to him as are deemed advisable in order to carry out this Act.

Sec. 3. In carrying out the provisions of this Act, the head of the designated department or independent agency may—

1. appoint, without regard to the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1949, such persons as he deems to be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, except that no person appointed under this paragraph shall receive compensation from the United States at a rate in excess of $17,500 per annum. The head of the designated department or independent agency shall prescribe the duties of the Commissioner and may delegate such powers and duties to him as are deemed advisable in order to carry out this Act;
2. enter into such contracts as may be necessary to provide for United States participation in the exposition;
3. erect such buildings and other structures as may be necessary for United States participation in the exposition, on land owned by the State of Washington or by any local government of such State or any political subdivision or instrumentality of either: Provided, That all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors in the performance of work on such buildings and other structures shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Bacon-Davis Act, as amended (40 U. S. C., sec. 276a-276a-5);
4. purchase books of reference, newspapers, and periodicals;
5. incur such other expenses as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act; and
6. accept any gifts, loans, donations, or devices to be used in carrying out the provisions of this Act.
SEC. 4. The head of each department, agency, or instrumentality of the Federal Government is authorized—

(1) to cooperate with the head of the designated department or independent agency with respect to United States participation in the exposition, and

(2) to make available to the head of the designated department or independent agency, from time to time, on a reimbursable basis, such personnel as may be necessary to assist the designated department or independent agency in carrying out its functions under this Act.

SEC. 5. (a) The President shall report to the Congress during the first regular session of Congress which begins after the date of enactment of this Act with respect to (1) the most effective manner of representation of the United States at the exposition, taking into account the avoidance of undue competition among governments, and (2) the amount of appropriations which are necessary to accomplish such representation.

(b) The President shall report to the Congress within six months after the date of the official close of the exposition on the activities of the Federal Government pursuant to this Act, including a detailed statement of expenditures. Upon transmission of such report to the Congress, all appointments made under this Act shall terminate.

SEC. 6. After the close of the exposition, all property purchased or erected with funds provided pursuant to this Act shall be disposed of in accordance with the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, and other applicable Federal laws relating to the disposition of excess and surplus property.

SEC. 7. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed $125,000 to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved September 2, 1958.

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AN ACT

To relieve the Surgeons General of the Army and Navy of certain responsibilities outside the Department of Defense.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 4818 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to administrative decisions in respect of adulterated butter) is amended—

(1) by striking out “(a) TAXABILITY.—”;

(2) by striking out subsections (b) and (c) thereof.

(b) (1) Section 4835 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to administrative decisions in respect of filled cheese) is repealed.

(2) The table of sections for subpart A of part II of subchapter C of chapter 39 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by striking out

"Sec. 4835. Administrative decisions."

(c) Paragraph (2) of section 7303 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (providing for forfeiture of certain property) is repealed.

SEC. 2. Section 351 (d) of the Public Health Service Act (58 Stat. 702; 42 U. S. C, sec. 262 (d)) is amended by striking out "regulations made jointly by the Surgeon General, the Surgeon General of the Army, and the Surgeon General of the Navy, and approved by the Administrator," and inserting in lieu thereof "regulations."

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