Public Law 85-460

AN ACT

To amend the definition of the term "State" in the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act and the War Orphans' Educational Assistance Act to clarify the question of whether the benefits of those Acts may be afforded to persons pursuing a program of education or training in the Panama Canal Zone.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 201 (9) of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 and section 102 (a) (11) of the War Orphans' Educational Assistance Act of 1956 are each amended by striking all words after the word "State" and inserting the following in lieu thereof: "means each of the several States, the Territories and possessions of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the Panama Canal Zone".

SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act to section 201 (9) of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 shall be deemed to have been in effect since July 16, 1952.

SEC. 3. (a) Section 304 (c) of the War Orphans' Educational Assistance Act of 1956 is amended by inserting immediately after "State" the following: "or in the Republic of the Philippines".

(b) Section 308 (b) (2) of such Act is amended by inserting immediately after "State law" the following: "(or in the case of the Republic of the Philippines, Philippine law)".

(c) Section 501 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"(f) Where any provision of this Act authorizes or requires any function, power, or duty to be exercised by a State, or by any officer or agency thereof, such function, power, or duty shall, with respect to the Republic of the Philippines, be exercised by the Administrator."

Approved June 18, 1958.