Public Law 85-616

AN ACT

To record the lawful admission for permanent residence of certain aliens who entered the United States prior to June 28, 1940.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 249 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (66 Stat. 219; 8 U. S. C. 1259) be amended to read as follows:

"A record of lawful admission for permanent residence may, in the discretion of the Attorney General and under such regulations as he may prescribe, be made in the case of any alien, as of the date of the approval of his application or, if entry occurred prior to July 1, 1924, as of the date of such entry, if no such record is otherwise available and such alien shall satisfy the Attorney General that he is not inadmissible under section 212 (a) insofar as it relates to criminals, procurers and other immoral persons, subversives, violators of the narcotic laws or smugglers of aliens, and he establishes that he—

"(a) entered the United States prior to June 28, 1940;

"(b) has had his residence in the United States continuously since such entry;

"(c) is a person of good moral character; and

"(d) is not ineligible to citizenship."

Approved August 8, 1958.

Public Law 85-617

AN ACT

To promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, pursuant to subsection (b) of section 1 of Public Law 672, approved August 8, 1950 (50 U. S. C. 151b), the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics is authorized to undertake additional construction and to purchase and install additional equipment at the following locations:

Langley Aeronautical Laboratory, Hampton, Virginia: High-temperature structural dynamics facility, a cable tie, instrumentation of a dynamics systems research airplane, and an ultra-high-temperature materials facility, $16,583,000.

Ames Aeronautical Laboratory, Moffett Field, California: Hypersonic helium tunnel, hypervelocity research laboratory, and modifications to the flight research laboratory, $4,321,000.

Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland, Ohio: Air heater for the unitary plan tunnel, modifications to the altitude tunnel, improvements to the propulsion systems laboratory, hypersonic missile propulsion facility, modifications to the materials research laboratory, and a high-energy rocket engine research facility, $8,592,000.

Pilotless Aircraft Station, Wallops Island, Virginia: Erosion control, $137,000.

SEC. 2. Any of the approximate costs enumerated in section 1 of this Act may, in the discretion of the Director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, be varied upward 5 per centum to meet unusual cost variations, but the total cost of all work so enumerated shall not exceed $29,933,000.
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SEC. 3. Any funds appropriated for the construction of facilities pursuant to this Act may, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, be used for emergency repairs of existing facilities when (1) such existing facilities are made inoperative by major breakdown, accident, or other circumstance; and (2) such repairs are deemed by the Chairman of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to be of greater urgency than the construction of new facilities.

SEC. 4. Not to exceed $500,000 of the funds appropriated for the construction of facilities pursuant to this Act may, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, be used for the construction of new research facilities or for the modernization of existing research facilities not specifically authorized herein when such construction or modification is deemed by the Chairman of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to be of greater urgency than the construction of the facilities authorized by this Act: Provided, however, That no such funds shall be used for the construction or modernization of any facility for which funds may previously have been denied by the Congress.

SEC. 5. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such amounts as may be required to accomplish the purposes of this Act.

Approved August 8, 1958.

Public Law 85-618

AN ACT

To reinstate certain terminated oil and gas leases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the payment of the annual rental, which was due no later than September 3, 1957, but which was made on September 6, 1957, with respect to noncompetitive oil and gas leases Colorado 08830, 08861, and 08862 shall be deemed to have been compliance with the terms and provisions of those leases and of the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended (30 U. S. C., sec. 181 and the following), and those aforementioned leases which were automatically terminated for the failure to make timely payment of rental are hereby reinstated as of the date of that termination.

Approved August 12, 1958.

Public Law 85-619

AN ACT

To amend section 161 of the Revised Statutes with respect to the authority of Federal officers and agencies to withhold information and limit the availability of records.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 161 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (5 U. S. C. 22) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "This section does not authorize withholding information from the public or limiting the availability of records to the public."

Approved August 12, 1958.