Public Law 85-715

To further amend the Act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 896), as amended by the Act of October 25, 1951 (65 Stat. 657), as the same are amended, to provide for an increase in the authorization for funds to be granted for the construction of hospital facilities in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of a modern, adequate, and efficient hospital center in the District of Columbia, to authorize the making of grants for hospital facilities to private agencies in the District of Columbia, to provide a basis for repayment to the Government by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 896), as amended, is amended by striking out "$39,710,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$40,730,000".

SEC. 2. Section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the District of Columbia Hospital Center Act in order to extend the time and increase the authorization for appropriations for the purposes of such Act, and to provide that grants under such Act may be made to certain organizations organized to construct and operate hospital facilities in the District of Columbia", approved February 15, 1958 (72 Stat. 15), is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 4. The amendment made by this Act to section 5 of such Act of August 7, 1946, shall apply only with respect to grants from funds authorized by amendments made by this Act and by Acts approved subsequent to the approval of this Act."

Approved August 21, 1958.

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To amend section 1482 of title 10 of the United States Code to provide for the payment of transportation expenses of certain survivors of deceased service-men to attend group burials in national cemeteries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1482 of title 10 of the United States Code is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(d) When, as a result of a disaster involving the multiple deaths of persons covered by section 1481 of this title, the Secretary concerned has possession of commingled remains that cannot be individually identified, and burial of those remains in a common grave in a national cemetery is considered necessary, he may, for the interment services of each known decedent, pay the expenses of round-trip transportation to the cemetery of (1) the person who would have been designated under subsection (c) to direct disposition of the remains if individual identification had been made, and (2) two additional persons selected by that person who are closely related to the decedent. The transportation expenses authorized to be paid under this subsection may not exceed the transportation allowances authorized for members of the armed forces for travel on official business, but no per diem allowance may be paid."

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