mensurate with his age, education, and experience in accordance with
regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Commerce.

“(c) (1) For the purposes of basic pay any person appointed under
this section to the grade of lieutenant or lieutenant (junior grade)
shall be considered as having, on date of appointment, three years or
one and one-half years service respectively.

“(2) If a person appointed under this section is entitled to credit
for the purpose of basic pay under other provision of law which would
exceed that authorized by subsection (c) (1) he shall be credited with
that service in lieu of the credit provided by subsection (c) (1).”

Sec. 2. Section 1(r) of the Civil Service Retirement Act, as
amended (5 U.S.C. 2251 (r)), is further amended by inserting after
“the Regular Corps or Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service”,
the phrase “or, after June 30, 1961, as a commissioned officer of the
Coast and Geodetic Survey.”

Sec. 3. Section 304(c) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as
amended (37 U.S.C. 254(c)), is further amended by inserting the words
“or as Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey” after the words
“Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.”

Sec. 4. Section 3(A) of the Act of August 10, 1956, as amended
(33 U.S.C. 857(a)) (70A Stat. 618) is further amended by redesignating
subsection 8 as subsection 9 and adding a new subsection 8
reading as follows:

“(8) Sections 2731, 2732, and 2735, property loss incident to
service.”

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AN ACT

For the relief of certain members of the Army National Guard of the United
States and the Air National Guard of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 15
through 20, inclusive, of the Federal Employees’ Compensation Act,
as amended (U.S.C., title 5, secs. 765–770), are hereby waived with
respect to cases involving those members of the Army National Guard
and the Air National Guard of the United States alleged to have
suffered disability or death from compensable causes which arose during
the period from August 7, 1947, to December 31, 1956, inclusive,
and their claims or the claims of their dependents for compensation by
reason of the Act of July 15, 1939 (5 U.S.C. 797, 797a), are authorized
and directed to be considered and acted upon under the remaining pro-
visions of the Federal Employees’ Compensation Act, as amended and
extended to members of military reserve components, if filed with the
Department of Labor (Bureau of Employees’ Compensation) within
one year from the date of enactment of this Act.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 206(b) (1) of the
Servicemen’s and Veterans’ Survivor Benefits Act any person whose
rights may be affected by section 1 of this Act may receive any benefits
to which he should be found eligible under the Federal Employees’
Compensation Act provided he makes the election required under sec-
tion 7 thereof. In the event of such an election, any benefit amounts
received under any other Act for the same death shall be deducted
from amounts payable for similar purposes under the Federal
Employees’ Compensation Act.

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