

Public Law 87-356

AN ACT

October 4, 1961
[S. 2476]

To amend section 207 of the Military Construction Act of 1960 in order to clarify the authority granted under such section to the Secretary of the Navy to exchange certain lands owned by the United States for lands owned by the State of Oregon.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 207 of the Military Construction Act of 1960 (74 Stat. 166, 175) is amended to read as follows:

Oregon.
Land exchanges.
Secretary of
Navy.
Authority.

"SEC. 207. (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Secretary of the Navy is authorized, upon such terms and conditions as he may determine to be in the public interest, to convey to the State of Oregon all or part of or interests in the lands, including acquired and public domain lands, comprising the Boardman Bombing Range in the State of Oregon, as delineated on a map designated as 'War Department, Office of the Division Engineer, North Pacific Division, Real Estate, Boardman Precision Bombing Range,' approved February 17, 1947, drawing numbered O-31-52. The conveyance of such lands to the State of Oregon shall be made in exchange for a conveyance, without restriction as to the use of lands, to the United States of such lands, or interests therein, of the State of Oregon as the Secretary of the Navy shall find suitable for use, with any lands or interests retained by the Navy, as a bombing range, and upon payment by the State of Oregon to the United States of such amount as the Secretary of the Navy determines to represent the total of (1) the difference, if any, between the fair market value of the property so conveyed by the Secretary of the Navy and the fair market value of the land and interests in lands accepted in exchange therefor, and (2) the cost to the Department of the Navy of providing a complete substitute facility on the retained lands, if any, and the State lands so acquired.

"(b) The State of Oregon shall agree to be primarily liable and hold the United States harmless from any claims for personal injury or property damage resulting from the condition of the lands conveyed by the United States.

Liability of
State.

"(c) Of the lands retained by the Navy, if any, together with any lands conveyed to the United States by the State of Oregon, 37,320.31 acres thereof, inclusive of any retained public domain lands, as agreed upon by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Navy, shall become public domain lands of the United States subject to all the laws and regulations applicable thereto, but shall remain withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, and shall be reserved for use as a bombing range under the administration of the Department of the Navy until such withdrawal and reservation is revoked by order of the Secretary of the Interior with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Navy. The remaining acreage of the lands conveyed to the United States shall become a part of the lands comprising the substitute bombing range and shall be administered by the Department of the Navy.

Reservation of
lands.

"(d) The money received by the Secretary of the Navy in connection with the exchange authorized by this Act shall be disbursed as follows: (1) The difference in the fair market value between the public domain lands conveyed by the United States and the lands designated as public domain lands under subsection (c), exclusive of any retained public domain lands, shall be distributed as a receipt from

Disbursement of
moneys.

the sale of public domain lands; (2) the difference in the fair market value between the remaining lands and interests exchanged shall be covered into the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt; and (3) the amount representing the cost to the Department of the Navy of providing a complete substitute facility on the retained lands, if any, and the State lands so acquired, shall be covered into the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt.

“(e) The Department of the Navy shall not be required to relinquish use of any lands of the Boardman Bombing Range to be conveyed to the State of Oregon until the complete substitute facility is available for use.”

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AN ACT

To provide a two-year extension of the existing provision for a minimum wheat acreage allotment in the Tulelake area of California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 334 (i) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended—

(1) by striking “1958 through 1961” out of the first sentence thereof, and inserting “1958 through 1963”; and

(2) by adding at the end thereof the following additional sentence: “Any provision of law providing for a general reduction in farm acreage allotments, or for an acreage diversion program, for the 1962 or 1963 crop of wheat shall not be construed to apply to farms for which acreage allotments are increased under the provisions hereof unless such provision of law is made applicable specifically to such farms.”

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AN ACT

To provide for apportioning the expense of maintaining and operating the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge over the Potomac River from Jones Point, Virginia, to Maryland.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the bridge being constructed by the Secretary of Commerce in accordance with the provisions of title II of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize and direct the construction of bridges over the Potomac River, and for other purposes”, approved August 30, 1954, as amended, shall be maintained and operated at the expense of the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia in accordance with such arrangements as shall be agreed upon by such States and the District of Columbia: *Provided*, That the annual portion of such expense to be assumed by the District of Columbia shall not exceed one-third of the total annual cost of maintaining and operating such bridge.

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Boardman Bombing Range.

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Wheat acreage,
Tulelake area,
Calif.
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Stat. 4.
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Woodrow Wilson
Memorial Bridge.
Maintenance and
operating expenses.

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Stat. 184.