Public Law 90-640

AN ACT

To amend the District of Columbia Public School Food Services Act to provide for the payment of salaries of food service employees from appropriated funds, to provide for adjustments in those salaries, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2(d) of the District of Columbia Public School Food Services Act (65 Stat. 368; D.C. Code, sec. 31-1402) is amended by striking out "at rates of pay to be fixed by said Board without reference to the Classification Act of 1949," and inserting in lieu thereof a period and the following: "The Commissioner of the District of Columbia shall fix and adjust, from time to time, the rates of pay of such personnel in accordance with the rates of pay of personnel in positions of similar levels of duties, responsibilities, and qualification requirements, as determined by the Commissioner.

Sec. 2. The last sentence of section 5 of the District of Columbia Public School Food Services Act (65 Stat. 369; D.C. Code, sec. 31-1404) is amended to read as follows: "The Food Services Fund shall be available for the payment of all expenses, other than personal services, necessary for the operation of the Department of Food Services, to the extent that appropriations, other than appropriations for personal services, are not available or are insufficient to pay such expenses in the fiscal year concerned."

Sec. 3. Section 6 of the District of Columbia Public School Food Services Act (65 Stat. 369; D.C. Code, sec. 31-1405) is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 6. Appropriations are authorized for the payment of compensation for all personal services necessary for the operation of the Department of Food Services and for the acquisition, maintenance, and replacement of equipment for use in that operation."

Sec. 4. Unobligated funds, not to exceed $148,000, appropriated to the general fund of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968, may be used to increase the compensation of employees in the Department of Food Services in the public schools of the District of Columbia, for the period beginning February 11, 1968, and ending June 30, 1968.

Sec. 5. (a) Retroactive pay is authorized for the period beginning on February 11, 1968, and ending on the date on which adjustments in rates of pay are officially ordered by the Commissioner of the District of Columbia as a result of the enactment of this Act; but such retroactive pay shall be paid only—

(1) in the case of an individual in the service of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia (including service in the Armed Forces of the United States) on the date on which such adjustments in rates of pay are so ordered;

(2) to a former employee within the classes of employees whose pay is adjusted, by official order of the Commissioner of the District of Columbia as a result of the enactment of this Act, who retired during the period beginning on February 11, 1968, and ending on the date on which such adjustments in rates of pay are so ordered, for services rendered during such period; and

(3) in accordance with subchapter VIII of chapter 55 of title 5, United States Code, relating to settlement of accounts of deceased employees, for services rendered, during the period beginning on February 11, 1968, and ending on the date on which such adjustments in rates of pay are so ordered, by a former employee within the classes of employees whose pay is adjusted by...
official order of the Commissioner of the District of Columbia as a result of the enactment of this Act, who died during such period.

(b) For the purposes of this section, service in the Armed Forces of the United States, in the case of an individual relieved from training and service in the Armed Forces of the United States or discharged from hospitalization following such training and service, shall include the period provided by law for the mandatory restoration of such individual to a position in or under the government of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 6. (a) The preceding sections of this Act shall become effective as of July 1, 1968.

(b) For the purposes of determining the amount of insurance for which an individual is eligible under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, relating to group life insurance for Government employees, all adjustments in rates of pay, which are officially ordered by the Commissioner of the District of Columbia as a result of the enactment of this Act and which become effective in any period prior to the date on which such adjustments in rates of pay are so ordered, shall be held and considered to become effective on the date on which such adjustments are so ordered.

Approved October 25, 1968.