

SEC. 5. Any teacher or attendance officer who after the enactment of this Act is granted leave without pay by the Superintendent of Schools or the Board of Education shall be reinstated to the position from which leave was granted or to an equivalent position when said employee is ready to resume his duties in accordance with the rules of the Board of Education existing at the time such leave was granted.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the second month following its enactment.

Effective date.

Approved October 29, 1951.

Public Law 227

CHAPTER 602

AN ACT

To provide that payment to States and Territories for care given to certain disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States shall be effective from the date such care commenced.

October 29, 1951
[H. R. 3548]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last proviso to section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to increase temporarily the amount of Federal aid to State or Territorial homes for the support of disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States", approved May 18, 1948, is hereby amended to read as follows: "*Provided further,* That no such payment to a State or Territory shall be made until the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs determines that the veteran, on whose account such payment is requested, is eligible for such care in a Veterans' Administration facility, and after such determination of eligibility such payment shall be made covering the period of eligibility from the date such care commenced, except that no such payment shall be made effective prior to the date of receipt by the Veterans' Administration of an appropriate request for determination of eligibility in the case of any eligible veteran with respect to whom such request is not received within ten days following the date such care commenced".

Disabled soldiers
and sailors.
Support.

62 Stat. 237.
24 U. S. C. §134 note.

SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act shall apply to payments with respect to care given to disabled soldiers and sailors on and after the first day of the month next following the month during which this Act is enacted.

Effective date.

Approved October 29, 1951.

Public Law 228

CHAPTER 603

AN ACT

To provide for an agricultural program in the Virgin Islands.

October 29, 1951
[H. R. 4027]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to establish and maintain in the Virgin Islands of the United States an agricultural research and extension service program. In carrying out the program authorized by this Act the Secretary shall utilize the agencies, facilities, and employees of the Department of Agriculture, and may cooperate with the government of the Virgin Islands, and other public and private organizations and individuals in the Virgin Islands and elsewhere.

Virgin Islands.
Agricultural pro-
gram.

Inter-agency function, property, etc., transfers.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to transfer to the United States Department of Agriculture such part of the functions, property, personnel, records, and unexpended balances of appropriations of the agricultural experiment stations in the Virgin Islands as may be agreed upon between the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture.

Appropriation authorized.

SEC. 3. There is authorized to be appropriated such amounts as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act. The moneys appropriated in pursuance of this Act shall also be available for the purchase and rental of land and the construction or acquisition of buildings, for the equipment and maintenance of such buildings, purchase and rental of passenger-carrying automobiles, employment of persons in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and for printing and disseminating the results of research, and such other expenditures as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act. Sums appropriated in pursuance of this Act shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, sums appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Agriculture, and may be allocated to such agencies of the Department as are concerned with the administration of the program of the Virgin Islands.

Approved October 29, 1951.

Public Law 229

CHAPTER 604

AN ACT

October 29, 1951
[H. R. 4808]

To provide for the granting of an easement for a public road through the Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge in Dare County, North Carolina.

North Carolina.
Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to convey to the State of North Carolina a permanent easement for the construction of a public road (together with rights for such other uses as may be customary or necessary in the State of North Carolina in connection with the construction or operation of such a road) through the Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge in Dare County, North Carolina, and to accept in return therefor the conveyance of any rights-of-way, easements, or other rights in or claims to land owned by the State of North Carolina not needed for use in the construction or operation of such road.

Approved October 29, 1951.

Public Law 230

CHAPTER 605

AN ACT

October 29, 1951
[H. R. 5062]

To extend the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to appoint and employ retired officers without affecting their retired status.

5 U. S. C. § 64a note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of Public Law 718, Seventy-ninth Congress, approved August 10, 1946 (60 Stat. 978), is hereby amended by striking the word "five" preceding the word "years" and substituting therefor the word "ten".

Approved October 29, 1951.