

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.

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CHAPTER 604

AN ACT

October 29, 1951
[H. R. 4868]

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.

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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".

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