

Public Law 514

CHAPTER 547

AN ACT

July 19, 1954
[H. R. 9143]

To repeal the provisions of section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act which prohibits a Federal Reserve bank from paying out notes of another Federal Reserve bank.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third paragraph of section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, is amended by striking out the sentences thereof which read as follows: "Whenever Federal reserve notes issued through one Federal Reserve bank shall be received by another Federal Reserve bank, they shall be promptly returned for credit or redemption to the Federal Reserve bank through which they were originally issued or, upon direction of such Federal Reserve bank, they shall be forwarded direct to the Treasurer of the United States to be retired. No Federal Reserve bank shall pay out notes issued through another under penalty of a tax of 10 per centum upon the face value of notes so paid out."

Approved July 19, 1954.

Federal Reserve
notes.
40 Stat. 236.
12 USC 413.

Public Law 515

CHAPTER 553

AN ACT

July 20, 1954
[S. 1303]

To provide for the expeditious naturalization of former citizens of the United States who have lost United States citizenship by voting in a political election or plebiscite held in occupied Japan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a person who has lost United States citizenship solely by reason of having voted in any political election or plebiscite held in Japan between September 2, 1945, and April 27, 1952, inclusive, and who has not, subsequent to such voting, committed any act which, had he remained a citizen, would have operated to expatriate him, and is not otherwise disqualified from becoming a citizen by reason of sections 313 or 314, or the third sentence of section 318 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, may be naturalized by taking, prior to two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, before any naturalization court specified in subsection (a) of section 310 of the Immigration and Nationality Act or before any diplomatic or consular officer of the United States abroad, the applicable oath prescribed by section 337 of such Act. Certified copies of such oath shall be sent by such court or such diplomatic or consular officer to the Department of State and to the Department of Justice. Such oath of allegiance shall be entered in the records of the appropriate naturalization court, embassy, legation, or consulate, and upon demand, a certified copy of the proceedings, including a copy of the oath administered, under the seal of the naturalization court, embassy, legation, or consulate, shall be delivered to such person at a cost not exceeding \$5, which certified copy shall be evidence of the facts stated therein before any court of record or judicial tribunal and in any department or agency of the Government of the United States. Any such person shall have, from and after naturalization under this Act, the same citizenship status as that which existed immediately prior to its loss: *Provided,* That no such person

Japanese elec-
tions.
Citizenship of
voters.

66 Stat. 240.
8 USC 1424,
1425, 1429.

8 USC 1421(a).
8 USC 1448.

shall be eligible to take the oath prescribed by section 337 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, unless he shall first take an oath before any naturalization court specified in subsection (a) of section 310 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, or before any diplomatic or consular officer of the United States abroad, that he has done nothing to promote the cause of communism. Naturalization procured under this Act shall be subject to revocation as provided in section 340 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and subsection (f) of that section shall apply to any person claiming United States citizenship through the naturalization of an individual under this Act.

Approved July 20, 1954.

8 USC 1451.

Public Law 516

CHAPTER 557

AN ACT

July 22, 1954
[S. 3605]

To abolish the offices of Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Register of the Treasury and to provide for an Under Secretary for Monetary Affairs and an additional Assistant Secretary in the Treasury Department.

Treasury Dept.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 303 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 143), establishing the office of Assistant Treasurer of the United States, and the Act approved April 9, 1926 (31 U. S. C. 143a) designating the Deputy Assistant Treasurer as Assistant Treasurer, are repealed.

44 Stat. 237.

(b) Section 304 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C. 144), is amended (1) by striking out "Treasurer may, in his discretion, and with the consent of the Secretary of the Treasury, authorize the Assistant Treasurer to act in the place and discharge any or all of the duties of the Treasurer of the United States; and the", and (2) by striking out "both the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer" and inserting in lieu thereof "the Treasurer".

27 Stat. 752.

SEC. 2. Sections 314 and 315 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, and the joint resolution approved December 13, 1892 (31 U. S. C. 164, 165, and 166), establishing the office of Assistant Register of the Treasury, specifying the duties of the office, and providing for the appointment of an Acting Assistant Register, are repealed.

42 Stat. 366.

Under Secretary.
Under Secretary
for Monetary Af-
fairs.

SEC. 3. The provision in the Act of February 17, 1922, which established the office of Under Secretary of the Treasury, as amended and supplemented (5 U. S. C. 244), is amended to read as follows:

"There shall be in the Department of the Treasury an Under Secretary and an Under Secretary for Monetary Affairs, each to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The compensation of the Under Secretary and the Under Secretary for Monetary Affairs shall be at the rate of \$17,500 each per annum. They shall perform such duties in the Office of the Secretary as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury."

SEC. 4. Section 234 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (5 U. S. C. 246), is further amended to read as follows:

Assistant Sec-
retaries.

"SEC. 234. There shall be in the Department of the Treasury three Assistant Secretaries of the Treasury, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate."

Approved July 22, 1954.