

this Act, plus such additional amount, if any, as may be required by reason of changes in the costs of construction of the types involved in these projects, as shown by engineering indices. There are also authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be required for the operation and maintenance of said works.

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Public Law 742

CHAPTER 1160

AN ACT

To create a National Monument Commission, and for other purposes.

August 31, 1954
[H. R. 6455]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby created a National Monument Commission. Said Commission shall be composed of four Senators from the Senate of the United States to be appointed by the Vice President of the United States, four Representatives of the House of Representatives of the United States to be appointed by the Speaker of that House, and four eminent citizens of the United States to be appointed by the President of the United States. The Commission shall be bipartisan and the terms of the first Commissioners shall be for one, two, three, and four years and subsequently shall be four years. Vacancies in the Commission shall be filled by the respective designator who appointed the original member. Members shall serve until their respective successors are appointed. The President shall, at the time of appointment, designate one of the members appointed by him to serve as Chairman.

National Monument Commission.
Creation.

SEC. 2. It shall be the function of said Commission to secure plans and designs for a useful monument to the Nation symbolizing to the United States and the world, the ideals of a democracy as embodied in the five freedoms, speech, religion, press, assembly, and petition, sanctified by the Bill of Rights adopted by Congress in 1789 and later ratified by the States. Such plans shall be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, the National Capital Planning Commission, and the Commission of Fine Arts, and thereafter submitted to Congress for legislative authorization.

Function.

SEC. 3. Said monument shall be located on federally owned land within the George Washington Memorial Parkway adjoining the north boundary of Arlington National Cemetery west of Arlington Ridge Road and south of Arlington Boulevard on the heights overlooking the Potomac River. The monument, upon its completion, shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior through the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

Location of monument.

Administration.

SEC. 4. Said monument shall serve as an international shrine and a continuing memorial to the principles of the five freedoms and to all peoples and nations who have contributed to the establishment, promotion, and defense of those principles in the preservation of democracy throughout the world. It may include an appropriate structure or structures to house cultural displays and exhibits or symbolic features of national and international significance designed to accomplish the objectives of section 2 of this Act.

SEC. 5. (a) Said Commission may establish rules and regulations governing its actions in carrying out the purposes of this Act.

Rules and regulations.

(b) The Commission members appointed from the Congress shall serve without additional compensation. Commission members appointed from private life shall receive \$50 per diem when engaged in the performance of Commission duties. All Commission members shall receive reimbursement for necessary traveling and subsistence expenses incurred by them in the performance of Commission duties.

Compensation of members.

Uncompensated personnel.

(c) The Commission is authorized to accept and utilize services of voluntary and uncompensated personnel and to pay any such personnel necessary traveling and subsistence expenses when engaged in the work of the Commission.

Appointments and expenditures.
63 Stat. 972.
5 USC 1071 note.

(d) Within the limits of its appropriations, the Commission is authorized to appoint such personnel, without regard to the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, to procure such printing and binding, and to make such expenditures as, in its discretion, it deems necessary.

Federal agency assistance.

(e) The Commission is authorized to request and secure the advice or assistance of any Federal agency. Any Federal agency furnishing advice or assistance to the Commission may expend its own funds for this purpose, with or without reimbursement from the Commission as may be agreed upon between the Commission and the agency.

Reports.

(f) The Commission shall report annually to the President and Congress its progress and recommendations pertaining to such a memorial. Upon the conclusion of its work, the Commission shall promptly submit a final report.

Termination.

(g) Thirty days after the submission of its final report the Commission shall cease to exist.

Appropriation.

SEC. 6. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the expenses of the Commission.

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Public Law 743

CHAPTER 1161

AN ACT

August 31, 1954
[H. R. 6616]

To amend title 17, United States Code, entitled "Copyrights".

Copyrights.
61 Stat. 655.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 9 of title 17, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 9. Authors or proprietors, entitled: aliens

Works of aliens.

"The author or proprietor of any work made the subject of copyright by this title, or his executors, administrators, or assigns, shall have copyright for such work under the conditions and for the terms specified in this title: *Provided, however,* That the copyright secured by this title shall extend to the work of an author or proprietor who is a citizen or subject of a foreign state or nation only under the conditions described in subsections (a), (b), or (c) below:

"(a) When an alien author or proprietor shall be domiciled within the United States at the time of the first publication of his work; or

"(b) When the foreign state or nation of which such author or proprietor is a citizen or subject grants, either by treaty, convention, agreement, or law, to citizens of the United States the benefit of copyright on substantially the same basis as to its own citizens, or copyright protection, substantially equal to the protection secured to such foreign author under this title or by treaty; or when such foreign state or nation is a party to an international agreement which provides for reciprocity in the granting of copyright, by the terms of which agreement the United States may, at its pleasure, become a party thereto.

"The existence of the reciprocal conditions aforesaid shall be determined by the President of the United States, by proclamation made from time to time, as the purposes of this title may require: *Provided,* That whenever the President shall find that the authors, copyright owners, or proprietors of works first produced or published abroad and subject to copyright or to renewal of copyright under the laws of