

form, it shall be a condition to the granting of the claim that the Territory or political subdivision thereof be reimbursed, without interest, for such improvements.

(f) In respect of mortgages, tax liens, or other encumbrances upon the property at the time of the original conveyance, which by reason of the conveyance were assumed or have been discharged, it shall be a condition to the granting of the claim that the Territory or political subdivision thereof be relieved of the obligations so assumed, and to the extent that the same shall have been discharged, that the Territory or political subdivision thereof, as the case may be, be reimbursed without interest therefor.

(g) The court shall not make any pecuniary award to any petitioner for rents or damages or for any other cause, and the redress of petitioners shall be confined to the return or proper disposition of the property according to the principles herein set forth, except as stated in paragraph (d) of this subsection.

Appropriations.

SEC. 7. The Territory of Hawaii may appropriate funds for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Exercise of eminent domain.

SEC. 8. Nothing contained in this Act shall preclude the Territory of Hawaii from exercising the power of eminent domain.

Approved May 28, 1956.

### Public Law 543

### CHAPTER 330

#### AN ACT

May 28, 1956  
[H. R. 5047]

To increase the compensation of trustees in bankruptcy.

Bankruptcy.  
Trustees' compensation.  
30 Stat. 557.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That subsection (1) of section 48 (c) of the Bankruptcy Act of July 1, 1898, as amended (11 U. S. C. 76 (c) (1)), is further amended to read as follows:

"(1) NORMAL ADMINISTRATION.—When the trustee does not conduct the business of the bankrupt, such sum as the court may allow, but in no event to exceed 10 per centum on the first \$500 or less, 6 per centum on moneys in excess of \$500 and not more than \$1,500, 3 per centum on moneys in excess of \$1,500 and not more than \$10,000, 2 per centum on moneys in excess of \$10,000 and not more than \$25,000, and 1 per centum on moneys in excess of \$25,000, upon all moneys disbursed or turned over by them to any persons, including lienholders: *Provided, however,* That in any case, after the trustee has paid all expenses of administration and has realized upon all available assets, the maximum compensation allowable to him hereunder does not exceed \$150, the court may of its own motion allow the trustee a fee which with the commissions, if any, paid or to be paid him shall not exceed \$150."

SEC. 2. The provisions of this Act shall apply to all cases in which the petition initiating the proceeding under the Bankruptcy Act is filed subsequent to the date of the enactment of this Act.

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### Public Law 544

### CHAPTER 331

#### AN ACT

May 28, 1956  
[H. R. 9257]

To amend title 18 of the United States Code, so as to provide for the punishment of persons who assist in the attempted escape of persons in Federal custody.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 752