

of compromise or otherwise, all claims arising pursuant to this section: *Provided*, That expenses authorized by this section shall be considered nonadministrative expenses: *Provided further*, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes shall not apply to any contract entered into pursuant to this section if the amount thereof does not exceed \$1,000."

41 USC 5.

Net proceeds.
42 USC 2311.

Community Disposal Operations Fund.

42 USC 2313.

SEC. 4. Section 117 of the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 117 a.—There is hereby established as of June 30, 1956, a Community Disposal Operations Fund, and the Commission (or the head of such agency as may be carrying out the sales and financing functions of the Commission pursuant to a delegation by the President under section 101 of this Act) is authorized to credit said fund with all moneys hereafter obtained or now held by it and to account under said fund for all assets and liabilities held or acquired by it in connection with its sales and financing functions under this Act, and to make temporary advances to such fund, from any other funds available for expenses of operations of such Commission or agency, as may be required to carry out such functions pending the realization of sufficient proceeds under the provisions of this Act: *Provided*, That any such advances shall be repaid to the source appropriation or fund, to the extent of any unobligated balances available in the Community Disposal Operations Fund, prior to the close of the fiscal year during which such advances are made.

"b. The Community Disposal Operations Fund shall be available to pay for all necessary costs, expenses (including administrative expenses), losses or obligations incurred in connection with the aforesaid functions, including expenses incident to sale, or other transfer and any financing under section 62, indemnities under sections 63 through 66, and expenses authorized by section 116 of this Act, and expenses in connection with the defense and payment of any claims for breaches of warranties and covenants of title of any property disposed of pursuant to this Act.

42 USC 2363-2366.

"c. Any amount in said fund which is determined to be in excess of requirements for the purposes thereof shall be declared and paid as liquidating dividends to the Treasury, not less often than annually."

42 USC 2312.

SEC. 5. Section 118 c. of the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955 is repealed.

42 USC 2312. Richland.

SEC. 6. Section 118 b. of the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955 is amended by striking therefrom the figure "\$2,165,000" and inserting in lieu thereof, the figure "\$2,215,000."

Approved July 25, 1956.

Public Law 803

CHAPTER 735

AN ACT

July 26, 1956
[S. 2280]

To amend the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, as amended, to provide increased benefits in case of disabling injuries, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 6 of the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, as amended (33 U. S. C., sec. 906), is amended to read as follows:

Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act.
Increased benefits.
44 Stat. 1426.
33 USC 907.

"SEC. 6. (a) No compensation shall be allowed for the first three days of the disability, except the benefits provided for in section 7: *Provided, however*, That in case the injury results in disability of more than twenty-eight days the compensation shall be allowed from the date of the disability.

“(b) Compensation for disability shall not exceed \$54 per week and compensation for total disability shall not be less than \$18 per week: *Provided, however,* That if the employee's average weekly wages, as computed under section 10, are less than \$18 per week he shall receive as compensation for total disability his average weekly wages.”

33 USC 910.

SEC. 2. Subparagraphs (1) through (12) of section 8 (c) of the said Act are hereby amended to read as follows:

33 USC 908.

- “(1) Arm lost, three hundred and twelve weeks' compensation.
- “(2) Leg lost, two hundred and eighty-eight weeks' compensation.
- “(3) Hand lost, two hundred and forty-four weeks' compensation.
- “(4) Foot lost, two hundred and five weeks' compensation.
- “(5) Eye lost, one hundred and sixty weeks' compensation.
- “(6) Thumb lost, seventy-five weeks' compensation.
- “(7) First finger lost, forty-six weeks' compensation.
- “(8) Great toe lost, thirty-eight weeks' compensation.
- “(9) Second finger lost, thirty weeks' compensation.
- “(10) Third finger lost, twenty-five weeks' compensation.
- “(11) Toe other than great toe lost, sixteen weeks' compensation.
- “(12) Fourth finger lost, fifteen weeks' compensation.”

SEC. 3. Section 8 (g) of the said Act is amended by striking out “\$10” and inserting in lieu thereof “\$25”.

33 USC 908.

SEC. 4. Section 9 (e) of the said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 USC 909.

“(e) In computing death benefits the average weekly wages of the deceased shall be considered to have been not more than \$81 nor less than \$27 but the total weekly compensation shall not exceed the weekly wages of the deceased.”

SEC. 5. Section 14 (m) of the said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 USC 914.

“(m) The total money allowance payable to an employee as compensation for an injury under this Act shall in no event exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$17,280: *Provided,* That this limitation shall not apply to cases of permanent total disability or death: *And provided further,* That in applying this limitation there shall not be taken into account any amount payable under section 8 (g) for maintenance during rehabilitation or any amount of additional compensation required to be paid under section 14 for delay or default in the payment of compensation or any amount accruing as interest upon defaulted compensation collectible under section 18.”

33 USC 908.

33 USC 914.

33 USC 918.

33 USC 918.

SEC. 6. Section 18 of the said Act is amended by inserting “(a)” after “SEC. 18.” at the beginning of the section and by adding a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) In cases where judgment cannot be satisfied by reason of the employer's insolvency or other circumstances precluding payment, the Secretary of Labor may, in his discretion and to the extent he shall determine advisable after consideration of current commitments payable from the special fund established in section 44, make payment from such fund upon any award made under this Act, and in addition, provide any necessary medical, surgical, and other treatment required by section 7 of the Act in any case of disability where there has been a default in furnishing medical treatment by reason of the insolvency of the employer. Such an employer shall be liable for payment into such fund of the amounts paid therefrom by the Secretary of Labor under this subsection; and for the purpose of enforcing this liability, the Secretary of Labor for the benefit of the fund shall be subrogated to all the rights of the person receiving such payment or benefits, including the right of lien and priority provided for by section 17 of this Act, as against the employer and may by a proceeding in the name

33 USC 944.

33 USC 907.

33 USC 917.

33 USC 918, 921.

of the Secretary of Labor under section 18 or under subsection (c) of section 21 of this Act, or both, seek to recover the amount of the default or so much thereof as in the judgment of the Secretary is possible, or the Secretary may settle and compromise any such claim."

33 USC 939.

SEC. 7. (a) Section 39 (c) of the said Act is amended by striking out "education" at the end of the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof "rehabilitation".

33 USC 944.

(b) Section 39 (c) of such Act is further amended by striking out the last sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the following two sentences: "Where necessary rehabilitation services are not available otherwise, the Secretary of Labor may, in his discretion, use the fund provided for in section 44 in such amounts as may be necessary to procure such services, including necessary prosthetic appliances or other apparatus. This fund shall also be available in such amounts as may be authorized in annual appropriations for the Department of Labor for the costs of administering this subsection."

33 USC 944.

SEC. 8. (a) Section 44 (a) of the said Act is amended by striking out "of this Act" at the end of the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof a comma and the following: "of subsection (b) of section 18, and of subsection (c) of section 39 of this Act".

33 USC 939.

33 USC 944.

(b) The second sentence of paragraph (1) of section 44 (c) of such Act is amended to read as follows: "The proceeds of this fund shall be available for payments under subsections (f) and (g) of section 8, under subsection (b) of section 18, and under subsection (c) of section 39: *Provided*, That payments authorized by subsection (f) shall have priority over other payments authorized from the fund: *Provided further*, That at the close of each fiscal year the Secretary of Labor shall submit to the Congress a complete audit of the fund."

33 USC 908.

Supra.

Ante, p. 655.

Applicability.

SEC. 9. The amendments made by the first section and sections 2, 4, and 5 of this Act shall be applicable only with respect to injuries and death occurring on or after the date of enactment of this Act notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of December 2, 1942, as amended (42 U. S. C. sec. 1701 and following).

56 Stat. 1028.

Approved July 26, 1956.

Public Law 804

CHAPTER 736

AN ACT

July 26, 1956

[S. 2572]

To authorize the interchange of lands between the Department of Agriculture and military departments of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

National forest and adjacent lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to national forest lands and the Secretary of a military department with respect to lands under the control of the military department which lie within or adjacent to the exterior boundaries of a national forest are authorized, subject to any applicable provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, to interchange such lands, or any part thereof, without reimbursement or transfer of funds whenever they shall determine that such interchange will facilitate land management and will provide maximum use thereof for authorized purposes: *Provided*, That no such interchange of lands shall become effective until forty-five days (counting only days occurring during any regular or special session of the Congress) after the submission to the Congress by the respective Secretaries of notice of intention to make the interchange.

63 Stat. 377.

40 USC 471 note.

Report to Congress.