

## Public Law 89-725

## AN ACT

November 2, 1966

[H. R. 13448]

To amend title 39, United States Code, with respect to mailing privileges of members of the United States Armed Forces and other Federal Government personnel overseas, 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 4169(a) of title 39, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking out “First-class letter mail, including postal cards and post cards, shall be carried as airmail, at no cost to the sender, when mailed by—” and inserting in lieu thereof “First-class letter mail, including postal cards and post cards, and sound-recorded communications having the character of personal correspondence shall be carried, at no cost to the sender, in the manner provided by section 4303(d)(5) of this title, when mailed by—”;

(2) by striking out, in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1), “the letter is mailed” and inserting in lieu thereof “the letter or sound-recorded communication is mailed”; and

(3) by striking out, in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (2), “The letter is mailed” and inserting in lieu thereof “the letter or sound-recorded communication is mailed”.

SEC. 2. Paragraphs (5) and (6) of section 4303(d) of title 39, United States Code, are amended to read as follows:

“(5) There shall be transported by air, between Armed Forces post offices established under section 705(d) of this title which are located outside the forty-eight contiguous States of the United States, or between any such Armed Forces post office and the point of embarkation or debarkation within the fifty States of the United States, the territories and possessions of the United States in the Pacific area, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands or the Canal Zone, on a space available basis, on scheduled United States air carriers at rates fixed and determined by the Civil Aeronautics Board in accordance with section 406 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1376), the following categories of mail matter:

“(A) (i) first-class letter mail (including postal cards and post cards),

“(ii) sound-recorded communications having the character of personal correspondence, and

“(iii) parcels of any class of mail not exceeding five pounds in weight and sixty inches in length and girth combined, which are mailed at or addressed to any such Armed Forces post office;

“(B) second-class publications published once each week or more frequently and featuring principally current news of interest to members of the Armed Forces and the general public which are mailed at or addressed to any such Armed Forces post office in an overseas area designated by the President under section 4169 of this title; and

“(C) parcels of any class of mail exceeding five pounds but not exceeding seventy pounds in weight and not exceeding one hundred inches in length and girth combined which are mailed at or addressed to any such Armed Forces post office where adequate surface transportation is not available.

Whenever adequate service by scheduled United States air carriers is not available to provide transportation of mail matter by air in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the transporta-

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tion of such mail matter may be authorized by aircraft other than scheduled United States air carriers. This paragraph shall not affect the operation of section 4169 (a) of this title.

“(6) Paragraphs (4) and (5) of this subsection shall be administered under such conditions and regulations as the Postmaster General and the Secretary of Defense severally may prescribe to carry out their respective functions under such paragraphs.”

SEC. 3. Paragraph (4) of section 4303 (d) of title 39, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof a comma and the following: “except that the rate of postage applicable to air parcel post transported directly between (1) Hawaii, Alaska, or the territories and possessions of the United States in the Pacific area, and (2) an Army, Air Force, or fleet post office served by the postmaster at San Francisco, California, or Seattle, Washington, shall be the rate which would be applicable if the parcel were in fact mailed from or delivered to that city, as the case may be”.

SEC. 4. Section 4303 of title 39, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(f) The Department of Defense shall reimburse the Post Office Department, out of any appropriations or funds available to the Department of Defense, as a necessary expense of the appropriations or funds and of the activities concerned, sums equal to the expenses incurred by the Post Office Department, as determined by the Postmaster General, in providing air transportation of mail between Armed Forces post offices established under section 705 (d) of this title which are not located within the fifty States of the United States, the territories and possessions of the United States in the Pacific area, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands or the Canal Zone, or between any such Armed Forces post office and the point of embarkation or debarkation within the fifty States, the territories and possessions of the United States in the Pacific area, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands or the Canal Zone.”

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## Public Law 89-726

### AN ACT

To authorize the disposal of battery-grade synthetic manganese dioxide from the national stockpile.

November 2, 1966  
[H. R. 13661]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Administrator of General Services is hereby authorized to dispose of, by negotiation or otherwise, approximately fourteen thousand five hundred and seventy-two short dry tons of battery-grade synthetic manganese dioxide now held in the national stockpile established pursuant to the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98-98h). Such disposition may be made without regard to the provisions of section 3 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act: *Provided*, That the time and method of disposition shall be fixed with due regard to the protection of the United States against avoidable loss and the protection of producers, processors, and consumers against avoidable disruption of their usual markets.

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