

## Public Law 85-233

## AN ACT

August 30, 1957  
[H. R. 8646]

To amend the Alaska Public Works Act (63 Stat. 627, 48 U. S. C. 486, and the following) to clarify the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to convey federally owned land utilized in the furnishing of public works.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 5 of the Alaska Public Works Act (63 Stat. 627, 628, 48 U. S. C. 486c), is hereby amended by revising the next to the last sentence thereof to read as follows: "Upon completion of the public works, the Secretary of the Interior shall transfer to the applicant, in conformity with the provisions of said agreement, possession of and all rights, title, and interest of the United States in and to said public works; and the Secretary is also authorized to convey title in fee simple or such lesser interest as he may determine in and to any federally owned land under his jurisdiction which may have been utilized in the furnishing of said public works: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall include in instruments of conveyance (1) a reservation to the United States of all mineral deposits in the lands conveyed together with the right to mine and remove the same under applicable laws and regulations to be established by the Secretary; (2) a provision for the reversion to the United States, during a period of no longer than twenty-five years from the date of such instrument, of title to the conveyed land upon a finding by the Secretary that the land has not been used by the grantee or its successor for the purpose for which it was conveyed for a period of five years or such lesser period as the Secretary may specify in the conveyance; and (3) such other terms and conditions as he may determine to be appropriate."

SEC. 2. All instruments executed by the Secretary of the Interior, or his delegatee, purporting to convey, under the Alaska Public Works Act, title to federally owned land utilized in the furnishing of public works are hereby validated and confirmed.

Approved August 30, 1957.

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Works Act, amend-  
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Conveyances.

## Public Law 85-234

## AN ACT

August 30, 1957  
[S. 2460]

To authorize the transfer of certain housing projects to the city of Decatur, Illinois, or to the Decatur Housing Authority.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Housing and Home Finance Administrator is authorized and directed to sell and convey to the city of Decatur, Illinois, or to the Decatur Housing Authority, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to that part of the North Jasper Homes housing projects (ILL-11218 and ILL-11219) which comprises a single site of approximately twenty-two and four hundred and fifty-two one-thousandths acres and on which there are located one hundred and eighty dwelling units and an administration building. Such sale shall be made in consideration of the payment of \$266,000 by the purchaser to the United States. The purchase price shall be paid at the time of closing, or in such installments as may be agreed upon by the Housing and Home Finance Administrator over a period not in excess of five years after the date of sale. Such sale shall be subject to the condition that if, at the end of five years after the date of sale, any such dwelling units have not been

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