

the competitive service, and such personnel may be paid without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates, but no individual shall receive compensation at a rate in excess of the maximum rate authorized by the General Schedule. In addition, the Commission may procure the services of experts and consultants in accordance with section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not in excess of \$100 per diem.

(d) The Commission is authorized to negotiate and enter into contracts with private organizations and educational institutions to carry out such studies and prepare such reports as the Commission determines are necessary in order to carry out its duties.

#### GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES AUTHORIZED TO AID COMMISSION

SEC. 7. Any department or agency of the Government is authorized to provide for the Commission such services as the Commission requests on such basis, reimbursable or otherwise, as may be agreed between the department or agency and the Chairman or Vice Chairman. All such requests shall be made by or in the name of the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Commission.

#### TERMINATION OF THE COMMISSION

SEC. 8. One hundred and twenty days after the submission of the final report provided for in section 4 of this Act, the Commission shall cease to exist.

#### AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 9. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Commission such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved November 26, 1969.

### Public Law 91-130

#### AN ACT

To amend the Second Liberty Bond Act to increase the maximum interest rate permitted on United States savings bonds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the proviso in the second sentence of section 22(b)(1) of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended (31 U.S.C. 757c(b)(1)), is amended by striking out "3.26 per centum" and inserting in lieu thereof "5 per centum".

SEC. 2. (a) Section 25 of the Second Liberty Bond Act (31 U.S.C., sec. 757c-1) is hereby repealed.

(b) Section 22(b)(2) of such Act (31 U.S.C., 757c(b)(2)) is amended by striking out "(subject to section 25)" each place it appears therein.

SEC. 3. The authority granted by the amendment made by the first section of this Act may be exercised with respect to United States savings bonds bearing issue dates of June 1, 1969, or thereafter. Such authority may also be exercised with respect to United States savings

80 Stat. 443,  
467.  
5 USC 5101,  
5331, 5332 note.

80 Stat. 416.

Contract  
authority.

Ante, p. 270.

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U.S. savings  
bonds.  
Interest rate,  
increase.  
71 Stat. 15.

Repeal.  
73 Stat. 621.

bonds issued before June 1, 1969, but in no case shall the interest rate or investment yield on any bond be changed pursuant to such authority for any period which begins before June 1, 1969. For purposes of section 22(b)(2)(A) of the Second Liberty Bond Act and for purposes of section 454(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, the United States savings notes known as freedom shares issued not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act in connection with the issuance of United States series E bonds shall be treated in the same manner as such bonds.

Approved December 1, 1969.

73 Stat. 621.  
26 USC 454.

### Public Law 91-131

#### AN ACT

To authorize appropriations to carry out the Standard Reference Data Act.

December 1, 1969  
[H. R. 4284]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Commerce such sums as may be necessary for the fiscal years 1970 and 1971, but not to exceed a total of \$6,000,000, to carry out the purposes of the Standard Reference Data Act (Public Law 90-396; 82 Stat. 339).

Appropriation.

Approved December 1, 1969.

15 USC 290  
note.

### Public Law 91-132

#### AN ACT

To provide for the establishment of the William Howard Taft National Historic Site.

December 2, 1969  
[H. R. 7066]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, in order to preserve in public ownership historically significant properties associated with the life of William Howard Taft, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to acquire, by donation or purchase with donated funds, such land and interests in land, together with buildings and improvements thereon and including scenic easements, at or in the vicinity of Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, as are depicted on the drawing entitled "William Howard Taft National Historic Site Boundary Map," numbered TAHO-20009, and dated August 1969. The drawing shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. When acquired such site shall be known as the William Howard Taft National Historic Site.

William Howard  
Taft National  
Historic Site,  
Ohio.  
Establishment.

SEC. 2. The administration, development, preservation, and maintenance of the William Howard Taft National Historic Site shall be exercised by the Secretary of the Interior in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and antiquities of national significance, and for other purposes", approved August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

Administration.

SEC. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$318,000 to provide for the restoration and development of the William Howard Taft National Historic Site.

39 Stat. 535.

49 Stat. 666.  
Appropriation.

Approved December 2, 1969.