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[H. R. 9038.]
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CHAP. 123.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the State of New York to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Delaware River at or near Beerston, New York.

Delaware River.
New York may
bridge, at Beerston.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the State of New York to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Delaware River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation at or near Beerston, Delaware County, New York, and in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Construction.
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Amendment.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

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CHAP. 125.—An Act To provide for the coordination of the public-health activities of the Government, and for other purposes.

Public-health activi-
ties.
Cooperation of Pub-
lic Health Service at re-
quest of department,
etc., engaged in.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the request of the head of an executive department or an independent establishment which is carrying on a public-health activity the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to detail officers or employees of the Public Health Service to such department or independent establishment in order to cooperate in such work. When officers or employees are so detailed their salaries and allowances shall be paid by the Public Health Service from applicable appropriations.

Details of personnel
to institutions for spe-
cial studies, etc.

SEC. 2. (a) The Surgeon General of the Public Health Service is authorized to detail personnel of the Public Health Service to educational and research institutions for special studies of scientific problems relating to public health and for the dissemination of information relating to public health, and to extend the facilities of the Public Health Service to health officials and scientists engaged in special study.

Hygienic Laboratory.
Additional divisions
in, for solution of health
problems.

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(b) The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to establish such additional divisions in the Hygienic Laboratory in the District of Columbia as he deems necessary to provide agencies for the solution of public-health problems, and facilities therein for the coordination of research by public-health officials and other scientists and for demonstrations of sanitary methods and appliances.

Administrative and
field service organiza-
tions.

SEC. 3. The administrative office and bureau divisions of the Public Health Service in the District of Columbia shall be administered as a part of the departmental organization, and the scientific offices and research laboratories of the Public Health Service (whether or not in the District of Columbia) shall be administered as a part of the field service.

Appointments of of-
ficers for general ser-
vice.

SEC. 4. Hereafter, under such regulations as the President may prescribe, medical, dental, sanitary engineer, and pharmacist officers selected for general service in the regular corps of the Public Health Service and subject to change of station shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; original appointments shall be made only in the grade corresponding to that of assistant surgeon or passed assistant surgeon, except as provided under sections 5 and 6 of this Act.

Additional appoint-
ments authorized.

SEC. 5. The President is authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to grades in the regular corps not above that of medical director, under such regulations as he may prescribe, not to exceed a total of fifty-five medical, dental, sanitary

engineer, and pharmacist officers in the Public Health Service upon the date of passage of this Act (except commissioned officers of the regular corps). Not more than four such appointments shall be in a grade above that of surgeon. In making such appointments due regard shall be had to the salary received by such officer at the time of such appointment. For purposes of pay and pay period, said officers shall be credited only with active service in the Public Health Service and active commissioned service in the Army and the Navy.

Grades and pay specified.

Service credit.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to order officers in the reserve of the Public Health Service to active duty for the purpose of training and of determining their fitness for appointment in the regular corps, and such active duty shall be credited for purposes of future promotion in the regular corps.

Reserve officers given active duty for training, etc.

SEC. 7. Whenever commissioned officers of the Public Health Service are not available for the performance of permanent duties requiring highly specialized training and experience in scientific research, the Secretary of the Treasury shall report that fact to the President with his recommendations, and the President, under the provision of this section, is authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, not to exceed three persons in any one fiscal year to grades in the regular corps of the Public Health Service above that of assistant surgeon, but not to a grade above that of medical director; and for purposes of pay and pay period any person appointed under the provisions of this section shall be considered as having had on the date of appointment service equal to that of the junior officer of the grade to which appointed.

Appointments for specialized duties in scientific research, if regular Health Service officers not available.

Grades, pay, etc.

Service construed.

SEC. 8. Any person commissioned in the regular corps of the Public Health Service under the provisions of this Act of an age greater than forty-five years, if placed on waiting orders for disability incurred in line of duty, shall receive pay at the rate of 4 per centum of active pay for each complete year of service in the Army, Navy, or Public Health Service, the total to be not more than 75 per centum.

Pay of regular officers commissioned under this Act at 45 or older, placed on waiting orders for disability in line of duty.

SEC. 9. Hereafter commissioned officers of the regular corps of the Public Health Service, after examination under regulations approved by the President, shall be promoted according to the same length of service and shall receive the same pay and allowances as are now or may hereafter be authorized for officers of corresponding grades of the Medical Corps of the Army, except that—

Promotions. Service, pay, etc., of regular corps, to be same as Army medical officers.

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(a) For purposes of future promotion an officer whose original appointment to the regular corps under the provisions of this Act is in a grade above that of assistant surgeon shall be considered as having had on the date of appointment service equal to that of the junior officer of the grade to which appointed; if the actual service of such officer in the Public Health Service exceeds that of the junior officer of the grade, such actual service not exceeding ten years for a passed assistant surgeon, and fourteen years for a surgeon shall be credited for purposes of future promotion;

Of original appointments under this Act.

Service credits.

(b) Pharmacists shall not be promoted to the grade of passed assistant surgeon until after five years of service in the grade of assistant surgeon and shall not be promoted above the grade of passed assistant surgeon.

Pharmacists.

(c) When an officer, after examination under regulations approved by the President, is found not qualified for promotion for reasons other than physical disability incurred in line of duty—

Officers not qualified for promotion by disabilities not in line of duty.

(1) If in the grade of assistant surgeon, he shall be separated from the service and paid six months' pay and allowances;

Assistant surgeons.

(2) If in the grade of passed assistant surgeon, he shall be separated from the service and paid one year's pay and allowances; and

Passed assistant surgeons.

Surgeons.

Pay allowance.

Titles to be given
commissioned officers
other than medical.

Assistant Surgeons
General designated
medical directors.

Number limitation
repealed.

Surgeon General.
To have same pay,
etc., as Surgeon General
of the Army.

Reversion to former
grade if not reap-
pointed.

Chief of narcotics di-
vision designated As-
sistant Surgeon Gen-
eral.

Civil Service ap-
pointments of person-
nel other than com-
missioned officers.

Proviso.
No preference to any
school of medicine.

Medical, etc., serv-
ices to officers dis-
abled in line of duty.

National Advisory
Health Council.
Hygienic Laboratory
to be known as.

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Additional members
to be appointed.
Terms of service.
Duties.

(3) If in the grade of surgeon or of senior surgeon, he shall be reported as not in line of promotion, or placed on waiting orders and paid at the rate of 2½ per centum for each complete year of active commissioned service in the Public Health Service, but in no case to exceed 60 per centum of his active pay at the time he is placed on waiting orders.

SEC. 10. (a) The President is authorized to prescribe appropriate titles for commissioned officers of the Public Health Service other than medical officers, corresponding to the grades of medical officers. Hereafter officers of the Public Health Service in the grade of Assistant Surgeon General (except those in charge of bureau divisions) shall be known and designated as medical directors. The limitation now imposed by law upon the number of senior surgeons and Assistant Surgeons General at large of the Public Health Service on active duty is hereby repealed.

(b) Hereafter the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service shall be entitled to the same pay and allowances as the Surgeon General of the Army; and a regular commissioned officer of the Public Health Service who serves as Surgeon General shall, upon the expiration of his commission, if not reappointed as Surgeon General, revert to the grade and number in the regular corps that he would have occupied had he not served as Surgeon General.

(c) The officer detailed as chief of the narcotics division of the Public Health Service shall, while thus serving, be an Assistant Surgeon General, subject to the provisions of law applicable to Assistant Surgeons General in charge of other administrative divisions of the Public Health Service.

SEC. 11. Hereafter the Secretary of the Treasury shall appoint, in accordance with the civil service laws, all officers and employees, other than commissioned officers, of the Public Health Service, and may make any such appointment effective as of the date on which the officer or employee enters upon duty: *Provided*, That any regulations which may be prescribed as to the qualifications as to the appointment of medical officers or employees shall give no preference to any school of medicine.

SEC. 12. Hereafter officers of the Public Health Service when disabled on account of sickness or injury incurred in line of duty shall be entitled to medical, surgical, and hospital services and supplies under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe.

SEC. 13. Hereafter the advisory board for the Hygienic Laboratory shall be known as the National Advisory Health Council, and the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, is authorized to appoint, from representatives of the public-health profession, five additional members of such council. The terms of service, compensation, and allowances of such additional members shall be the same as the other members of such council not in the regular employment of the Government, except that the terms of service of the members first appointed shall be so arranged that the terms of not more than two members shall expire each year. Such council, in addition to its other function, shall advise the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service in respect to public-health activities.

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