

in the case of sequestration receivers claiming relief under this Act, the judge of the district court of the Confederate States, who has by law the supervision of any such receiver's accounts, shall pass upon the sufficiency of the proof adduced and have power to relieve such sequestration receivers.

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[Text from original bill and amendments in The National Archives.]

No. 82. An Act for the relief of James Sykes, agent of James W. Sykes.

*Whereas*, it appears that James Sykes, as agent of James W. Sykes, paid into the Treasury of the Confederate States the sum of five hundred dollars, to procure an exemption for an overseer for the plantation of the said James W. Sykes, and whereas, it appears that said overseer died after the payment of said five hundred dollars, and before said exemption was granted, now, therefore,

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the Secretary of the Treasury of the Confederate States of America, be authorized and instructed to pay to said James Sykes, agent of James W. Sykes, the sum of five hundred dollars, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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[Text from enrolled act in Duke University Library.]

No. 83. An Act to regulate, for a limited period, the compensation of the officers, clerks and employees of the civil departments of the Government, in the City of Richmond.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That, for the time of twelve months, from and after the passage of this act, the annual compensation of each of the following-named officers and employees shall be as hereinafter designated, viz:

The Vice-President of the Confederate States, the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of

State, the Secretary of the Navy, the Postmaster-General, the Attorney General, each ten thousand dollars.

The Assistant Secretary of War, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, the Assistant Attorney General, each eight thousand dollars; and the Treasurer of the Confederate States, and the Comptroller, Register of the Treasury, and auditors, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

The Chiefs of the Finance, Appointment, and Contract Bureaus of the Post-Office Department, the Chief of the Treasury Note Bureau, the Chief of the Bureau of War, the Superintendent of Public Printing, the Commissioner of Taxes, the Commissioner of Patents, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Chief of the Produce Loan, each seven thousand dollars.

The chief clerks in the several Executive Departments, the chief clerk in the Adjutant and Inspector General's Office, the chief [clerk] of the Bureau of War, the disbursing clerks of the War, Navy, and Treasury Departments, the law clerk in the Department of Justice, the examiner of patents, the principal clerk in charge of the inspection office of the Post-Office Department, the Private Secretary of the President, and the Register of the Navy, each six thousand dollars.

All clerks, artisans, and employees, civil, detailed, or retired, in the President's office and in the several Executive Departments, bureaus, offices, workshops, posts and places, and their respective branches in and about the city of Richmond, fifty per cent in addition to the amount now paid them: *Provided*, That no clerk shall be paid an annual compensation exceeding five thousand five hundred dollars: *And provided further*, That this act shall not be construed to embrace any of the persons entitled to the benefits of an act entitled "An act to regulate the pay and allowances of certain female employees of the Government," approved eighth day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.

Approved, February 25, 1865.

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