

strategic and critical materials, not to exceed in value the amount of \$175,000,000, may be transferred to stock piles established in accordance with said Act.

COAST GUARD

Acquisition, construction, and improvements: For an additional amount under the title "Acquisition, construction, and improvements, Coast Guard", for replacement or rebuilding of aids to navigation and shore facilities, \$300,000, to remain available until expended.

TITLE II—CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES, AUDITED CLAIMS, AND JUDGMENTS

SEC. 201. For payment of claims for damages as settled and determined by departments and agencies in accord with law, audited claims certified to be due by the General Accounting Office, and judgments rendered against the United States by United States district courts and the United States Court of Claims, as set forth in Senate Document Numbered 177 and House Document Numbered 690, Eightieth Congress, \$15,231,868.15, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay interest (as and when specified in such judgments or in certain of the settlements of the General Accounting Office or provided by law) and such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in foreign currency: *Provided*, That no judgment herein appropriated for shall be paid until it shall have become final and conclusive against the United States by failure of the parties to appeal or otherwise: *Provided further*, That, unless otherwise specifically required by law or by the judgment, payment of interest wherever appropriated for herein shall not continue for more than thirty days after the date of approval of this Act.

TITLE III—PENALTY MAIL

SEC. 301. All envelopes, labels, wrappers, cards, and other articles, bearing the indicia prescribed by law for matter mailed free of postage under the penalty privilege by all executive departments and agencies, all independent establishments of the Government, and all other organizations and persons authorized by law to use the penalty privilege, shall be procured or accounted for through the Postmaster General under such regulations as he shall prescribe. The head of each such department, agency, establishment, or other organization, or each such person, shall submit to the Postmaster General within sixty days after the close of each fiscal year a statement showing the number of envelopes, labels, wrappers, cards, and other articles bearing such indicia on hand at the close of such fiscal year.

SEC. 302. The Postmaster General shall report to the Congress and to the Bureau of the Budget within ninety days after the close of each fiscal year the number of envelopes, labels, wrappers, cards, and other articles bearing such penalty indicia procured or accounted for through him during such fiscal year by each executive department and agency, by each independent establishment, and by each organization and person authorized by law to use the penalty privilege.

SEC. 303. No article or package of official matter, or number of articles or packages of official matter constituting in fact a single shipment, exceeding four pounds in weight shall be admitted to the mails under the penalty privilege, except (1) stamped paper and supplies sold or used by the postal service; and (2) books and documents published or circulated by order of Congress when mailed by the Superintendent of Public Documents or under the franking privilege.

SEC. 304. (a) Official matter not within the provisions of section 303 which is over four pounds in weight, if otherwise mailable, whether

Penalty Mail Act of 1948.

Procurement of envelopes, etc.

Annual statement to Postmaster General.

Annual report to Congress and Bureau of the Budget.

Weight limitation.

Fourth-class matter.

sealed or unsealed, including written matter, shall, if such matter does not exceed the limit of weight or size prescribed for fourth-class matter, be accepted for mailing upon the payment of postage at fourth-class rates.

(b) Shipments of official matter shall be sent by the most economical means of transportation practicable, and the Postmaster General may refuse to accept any such matter for shipment by mail when in his judgment it is in the public interest that it be forwarded by other means at less expense.

SEC. 305. All executive departments and agencies, all independent establishments of the Government, and all other organizations and persons authorized by law to use the penalty privilege, are directed to supply as soon as practicable, all necessary information requested by the Post Office Department to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 306. No executive department or independent establishment of the Government shall transmit through the mail, free of postage, any book, report, periodical, bulletin, pamphlet, list, or other article or document (except official letter correspondence, including such enclosures as are reasonably related to the subject matter of the correspondence; informational releases in connection with the decennial census of the United States, mail concerning the sale of Government securities, and all forms and blanks and copies of statutes, rules, regulations, and instructions and administrative orders and interpretations necessary in the administration of such departments and establishments), unless a request therefor has been previously received by such department or independent establishment; or such transmission is required by law; or such document is transmitted to inform the recipient thereof of the adoption, amendment, or interpretation of a statute, rule, regulation, or order to which he is subject. The head of each independent establishment and executive department (other than the Post Office Department) shall certify to the Postmaster General at the end of each quarter that nothing was transmitted through the mail free of postage by the independent establishment or department in violation of the provisions of this section: *Provided*, That nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit the mailing free of postage of lists of agricultural bulletins, lists of public documents which are offered for sale by the Superintendent of Public Documents, or of announcements of publications of maps, atlases, statistical, and other reports offered for sale by the Federal Power Commission as authorized by section 825k of title 16 U. S. C.: *Provided further*, That this prohibition shall not apply to the transmission of such books, reports, periodicals, bulletins, pamphlets, lists, articles, or documents to educational institutions or public libraries, or to Federal, State, or other public authorities.

SEC. 307. Section 6 of the Act of May 6, 1939 (53 Stat. 683), as amended, and Public Law 364 approved June 28, 1944, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 308. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 309. This title shall take effect July 1, 1948, and may be cited as the "Penalty Mail Act of 1948".

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. The Secretary of Defense is authorized and directed, whenever in his judgment the best interests of the United States so require, to direct the insertion of a clause incorporating the Renegotiation Act of 1948 in any contracts for the procurement of ships, aircraft, aircraft parts, and the construction of facilities or installations outside

Transportation of official matter.

Information to be supplied.

Restriction on use of penalty privilege.

Agricultural bulletins, etc.

49 Stat. 859.
Nonapplicability.

39 U. S. C. § 321b; Supp. I, § 321b note.
58 Stat. 394.

39 U. S. C. §§ 321c-321h; Supp. I, § 321g note.

Appropriation authorized.

Citation of title.

Incorporation of Renegotiation Act of 1948 in contracts.

Amé, p. 259.