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To amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to prohibit Federal agencies from vending telecommunications and automatic data processing services, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ENGLISH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Operations

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That section 111 of the Federal Property and Administrative
4 Services Act of 1949 is amended by adding at the end there-
5 of the following new subsection:

6 “(h)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), no auto-
7 matic data processing equipment or telecommunications fa-

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1 cility owned, operated, managed, or controlled by any Feder-
2 al agency may be used to provide data processing or telecom-
3 munications services to any person or entity other than an-
4 other Federal agency.

5 “(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a data processing
6 or telecommunications service may be provided—

7 “(A) pursuant to a specific statutory requirement
8 which describes the service to be provided; or

9 “(B) pursuant to other statutory authority if the
10 President determines that private persons cannot pro-
11 vide the service and promulgates an Executive order
12 which specifies—

13 “(i) the service to be provided;

14 “(ii) the identity or category of persons or
15 entities to be provided such service; and

16 “(iii) the terms and conditions under which
17 such services are to be provided.

18 “(3) Each specification of terms and conditions under
19 paragraph (2)(B)(iii) shall, to the extent feasible, require the
20 reimbursement of the Government for all costs of providing
21 the data processing or telecommunications service, including
22 costs of general overhead, plant, and equipment.

23 “(4) The provisions of this subsection do not apply to
24 the use by a Federal agency of automatic data processing
25 equipment or telecommunications facilities to provide infor-

1 mation to the public from the records of such agency or con-
2 cerning the conduct of governmental functions by such
3 agency.”.

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by a wage board, or whose compensation is fixed without reference to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, or whose compensation is limited or fixed specifically by the provisions of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1949: *Provided*, That the authority granted by this section shall expire ninety days after the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 5. No additional compensation shall be payable by reason of the enactment of this Act for any period prior to the date of enactment hereof in the case of any person who is not an employee in or under the municipal government of the District of Columbia on such date of enactment, except that such additional compensation shall be paid a retired employee for services rendered between the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948, and the date of his retirement. No person whose salary or compensation is increased by this Act shall be entitled to additional compensation for overtime, night, or holiday work, as provided in sections 201, 203, 301, and 302 of the Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945, as amended, or as provided in section 23 of the Act approved March 28, 1934, as amended (sec. 673c, United States Code), based on the additional compensation provided by this Act for any pay period ending prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved June 30, 1949.

42 Stat. 1455.
5 U. S. C. § 661;
Supp. II, § 652 et seq.
Post, p. 972.
62 Stat. 537.

Restriction.
Post, p. 951.

Overtime, etc.,
work.

59 Stat. 296.
5 U. S. C. §§ 911,
913, 921, 922; Supp. II,
§ 922 note.
43 Stat. 522.
5 U. S. C. § 673c.

[CHAPTER 288]

AN ACT

To simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, to reorganize certain agencies of the Government, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SHORT TITLE

That this Act may be cited as the "Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949".

June 30, 1949
[H. R. 4754]
[Public Law 152]

Federal Property
and Administrative
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DECLARATION OF POLICY

Sec. 2. It is the intent of the Congress in enacting this legislation to provide for the Government an economical and efficient system for (a) the procurement and supply of personal property and nonpersonal services, including related functions such as contracting, inspection, storage, issue, specifications, property identification and classification, transportation and traffic management, management of public utility services, repairing and converting, establishment of inventory levels, establishment of forms and procedures, and representation before Federal and State regulatory bodies; (b) the utilization of available property; (c) the disposal of surplus property; and (d) records management.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 3. As used in this Act—

- "Executive agency." (a) The term "executive agency" means any executive department or independent establishment in the executive branch of the Government, including any wholly owned Government corporation.
- "Federal agency." (b) The term "Federal agency" means any executive agency or any establishment in the legislative or judicial branch of the Government (except the Senate and the House of Representatives).
- "Administrator." (c) The term "Administrator" means the Administrator of General Services provided for in title I hereof.
- "Property." (d) The term "property" means any interest in property, of any kind except (1) the public domain and lands reserved or dedicated for national forest or national park purposes; and (2) naval vessels of the following categories: Battleships, cruisers, aircraft carriers, destroyers, and submarines.
- "Excess property." (e) The term "excess property" means any property under the control of any Federal agency which is not required for its needs and the discharge of its responsibilities, as determined by the head thereof.
- "Foreign excess property." (f) The term "foreign excess property" means any excess property located outside the continental United States, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, except as provided in subsections (b), (c), (d), and (e) of this section.

(b) Where the property transferred or disposed of was acquired by the use of funds either not appropriated from the general fund of the Treasury or appropriated therefrom but by law reimbursable from assessment, tax, or other revenue or receipts, then the net proceeds of the disposition or transfer shall be credited to the reimbursable fund or appropriation or paid to the Federal agency which determined such property to be excess: *Provided*, That the proceeds shall be credited to miscellaneous receipts in any case when the agency which determined the property to be excess shall deem it uneconomical or impractical to ascertain the amount of net proceeds. As used in this subsection, the term "net proceeds of the disposition or transfer" means the proceeds of the disposition or transfer minus all expenses incurred for care and handling and disposition or transfer.

(c) Any Federal agency disposing of surplus property under this title (1) may deposit, in a special account with the Treasurer of the United States, such amount of the proceeds of such dispositions as it deems necessary to permit appropriate refunds to purchasers when any disposition is rescinded or does not become final, or payments for breach of any warranty, and (2) may withdraw therefrom amounts so to be refunded or paid, without regard to the origin of the funds withdrawn.

(d) Where any contract entered into by an executive agency or any subcontract under such contract authorizes the proceeds of any sale of property in the custody of the contractor or subcontractor to be credited to the price or cost of the work covered by such contract or subcontract, the proceeds of any such sale shall be credited in accordance with the contract or subcontract.

(e) Any executive agency entitled to receive cash under any contract covering the lease, sale or other disposition of surplus property may in its discretion accept, in lieu of cash, any property determined by the Munitions Board to be strategic or critical material at the prevailing market price thereof at the time the cash payment or payments became or become due.

(f) Where credit has been extended in connection with any disposition of surplus property under this title or by War Assets Administration (or its predecessor agencies) under the Surplus Property Act of 1944, or where such disposition has been by lease or permit, the Administrator shall administer and manage such credit, lease, or permit, and any security therefor, and may enforce, adjust, and settle any right of the Government with respect thereto in such manner and upon such terms as he deems in the best interest of the Government.

POLICIES, REGULATIONS, AND DELEGATIONS

SEC. 205. (a) The President may prescribe such policies and directives, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as he shall deem necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Act, which policies and directives shall govern the Administrator and executive agencies in carrying out their respective functions hereunder.

(b) The Comptroller General after considering the needs and requirements of the executive agencies shall prescribe principles and standards of accounting for property, cooperate with the Administrator and with the executive agencies in the development of property accounting systems, and approve such systems when deemed to be adequate and in conformity with prescribed principles and standards. From time to time the General Accounting Office shall examine such property accounting systems as are established by the executive agen-

Crediting of reimbursable funds.

"Net proceeds of the disposition or transfer."

Refunds to purchasers.

Proceeds from contractors' sales.

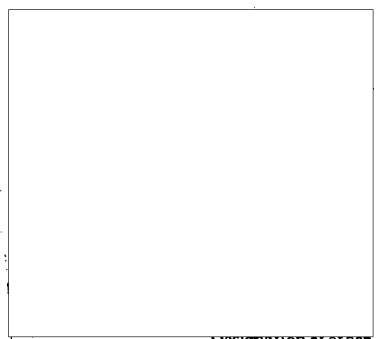
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53 Stat. 765.
50 U. S. C. app.
§§ 1611-1640; Supp. II,
§ 1612 et seq.
Post, p. 399.

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60 Stat. 803. Consultations.

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cies to determine the extent of compliance with prescribed principles and standards and approved systems, and the Comptroller General shall report to the Congress any failure to comply with such principles and standards or to adequately account for property.

(c) The Administrator shall prescribe such regulations as he deems necessary to effectuate his functions under this Act, and the head of each executive agency shall cause to be issued such orders and directives as such head deems necessary to carry out such regulations.

(d) The Administrator is authorized to delegate and to authorize successive re delegation of any authority transferred to or vested in him by this Act (except for the authority to issue regulations on matters of policy having application to executive agencies, the authority contained in section 106, and except as otherwise provided in this Act) to any official in the General Services Administration or to the head of any other Federal agency.

(e) With respect to any function transferred to or vested in the General Services Administration or the Administrator by this Act, the Administrator may (1) direct the undertaking of its performance by the General Services Administration or by any constituent organization therein which he may designate or establish; or (2) designate and authorize any executive agency to perform such function for itself; or (3) designate and authorize any other executive agency to perform such function; or (4) provide for such performance by any combination of the foregoing methods. Any designation or assignment of functions or delegation of authority to another executive agency under this section shall be made only with the consent of the executive agency concerned or upon direction of the President.

(f) When any executive agency (including the General Services Administration and constituent organizations thereof) is authorized and directed by the Administrator to carry out any function under this Act, the Administrator may, with the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, provide for the transfer of appropriate personnel, records, property, and allocated funds of the General Services Administration, or of such other executive agency as has theretofore carried out such function, to the executive agency so authorized and directed.

(g) The Administrator may establish advisory committees to advise with him with respect to any function transferred to or vested in the Administrator by this Act. The members thereof shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to transportation and not to exceed \$25 per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 73b-2), for persons so serving.

(h) The Administrator shall advise and consult with interested Federal agencies with a view to obtaining their advice and assistance in carrying out the purposes of this title.

SURVEYS, STANDARDIZATION AND CATALOGING

Sec. 206. (a) As he may deem necessary for the effectuation of his functions under this title, and after adequate advance notice to the executive agencies affected, and with due regard to the requirements of the National Military Establishment as determined by the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator is authorized (1) to make surveys of Government property and property management practices and obtain reports thereon from executive agencies; (2) to cooperate with executive agencies in the establishment of reasonable inventory levels for property stocked by them and from time to time report any excessive stocking to the Congress and to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget; (3) to establish and maintain such uniform Federal supply

(b) Any authority conferred upon any executive agency or the head thereof by the provisions of this title may be delegated, and successive redelegation thereof may be authorized, by such head to any official in such agency or to the head of any other executive agency.

Delegation of authority.

(c) The head of each executive agency responsible for the disposal of foreign excess property hereunder may, as may be necessary to carry out his functions under this title, (1) subject to the civil-service and classification laws, appoint and fix the compensation of personnel, and (2) without regard to the civil-service and classification laws, appoint and fix the compensation of personnel outside the continental limits of the United States.

(d) The head of each executive agency responsible for the disposal of foreign excess property under this title shall submit a report to Congress in January of each year or at such other time or times as he may deem desirable relative to its activities under this title, together with any appropriate recommendations.

Report to Congress.

(e) There shall be transferred from the Department of State to each other executive agency affected by this title such records, property, personnel, obligations, commitments, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds, available or to be made available, as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget shall determine to relate to functions of such agency under this title which have heretofore been administered by the Department of State.

Transfer of personnel, etc.

TITLE V—GENERAL PROVISIONS

APPLICABILITY OF EXISTING PROCEDURES

SEC. 501. All policies, procedures, and directives prescribed—

(a) by either the Director, Bureau of Federal Supply, or the Secretary of the Treasury and relating to any function transferred to or vested in the Administrator, by the provisions of this Act;

(b) by any officer of the Government under the authority of the Surplus Property Act of 1944, as amended, or under other authority with respect to surplus property or foreign excess property;

(c) by or under authority of the Federal Works Administrator or the head of any constituent agency of the Federal Works Agency; and

(d) by the Archivist of the United States or any other officer or body whose functions are transferred by title I of this Act, in effect upon the effective date of this Act and not inconsistent herewith, shall remain in full force and effect unless and until superseded, or except as they may be amended, under the authority of this Act or under other appropriate authority.

Infra.

Ante, p. 379.

REPEAL AND SAVING PROVISIONS

SEC. 502. (a) There are hereby repealed—

(1) the Surplus Property Act of 1944, as amended (except sections 13 (d), 13 (g), 13 (h), 28, and 32 (b) (2)), and sections 501 and 502 of Reorganization Plan Numbered 1 of 1947: *Provided*, That, with respect to the disposal under this Act of any surplus real estate, all priorities and preferences provided for in said Act, as amended, shall continue in effect until 12 o'clock noon (eastern standard time), December 31, 1949;

(2) that portion of the Act entitled "An Act making supplemental appropriations for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices, for

53 Stat. 765.
50 U. S. C. app.
§§ 1611-1648; Supp. II,
app. § 1612 *et seq.*
58 Stat. 771, 781; 62
Stat. 350; 60 Stat. 754;
61 Stat. 673, 682.
59 U. S. C. app.
§§ 1622 (a), 1637, 1641
(b) (2); Supp. II,
§§ 1622 (a), (b), 1644a
note.
Post, pp. 700, 701.

(21) the second paragraph under the heading "Saint Elizabeths Hospital" of section 1 of the Act of June 12, 1917 (40 Stat. 153; 24 U. S. C. 174);

(22) the proviso contained in the second paragraph under the heading "Bureau of Supplies and Accounts" of the Act of August 22, 1912 (37 Stat. 346; 34 U. S. C. 531a);

(23) the second proviso of the first paragraph under the heading "Bureau of Yards and Docks" of the Act of August 29, 1916 (34 U. S. C. 532);

39 Stat. 553.

(24) the proviso contained in the second paragraph under the heading "Maintenance, Quartermaster's Department, Marine Corps" of the Act of March 4, 1917 (39 Stat. 1189; 34 U. S. C. 723);

(25) the twentieth paragraph under the heading "Bureau of Mines" of section 1 of the Act of July 19, 1919 (41 Stat. 200; 40 U. S. C. 118);

(26) the first sentence of section 5 of the Act of March 4, 1915 (38 Stat. 1161; 41 U. S. C. 26);

(27) the third paragraph under the heading "Interstate Commerce Commission" of section 1 of the Act of August 1, 1914 (38 Stat. 627; 49 U. S. C. 58);

(28) the Act of June 6, 1941 (55 Stat. 247; 14 U. S. C. 31b);

(29) section 4 of the Act of June 17, 1910 (36 Stat. 531; 41 U. S. C. 7);

(30) the Act of February 27, 1929 (45 Stat. 1341; 41 U. S. C. 7a, 7b, 7c, and 7d); and

(31) section 1 of the Act of May 14, 1933 (49 Stat. 234; 41 U. S. C. 7c-1).

41 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 7 note.

41 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 7c note.

(b) The provisions of the first, third, and fifth paragraphs of section 1 of Executive Order Numbered 6166 of June 10, 1933, are hereby superseded, insofar as they relate to any function now administered by the Bureau of Federal Supply except functions with respect to standard contract forms.

5 U. S. C. § 132 note.

(c) The authority conferred by this Act is in addition to any authority conferred by any other law and shall not be subject to the provisions of any law inconsistent herewith, except that sections 205 (b) and 206 (c) of this Act shall not be applicable to any Government corporation or agency which is subject to the Government Corporation Control Act (59 Stat. 597; 31 U. S. C. 841).

Ante, pp. 389, 391.

31 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 346 et seq. Ante, p. 355.

(d) Nothing in this Act shall impair or affect any authority of—

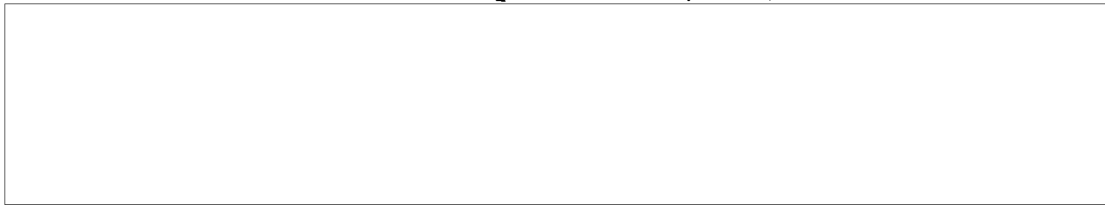
(1) the President under the Philippine Property Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 418; 22 U. S. C. 1381);

(2) any executive agency with respect to any phase (including, but not limited to, procurement, storage, transportation, processing, and disposal) of any program conducted for purposes of resale, price support, grants to farmers, stabilization, transfer to foreign governments, or foreign aid, relief, or rehabilitation: *Provided*, That the agency carrying out such program shall, to the maximum extent practicable, consistent with the fulfillment of the purposes of the program and the effective and efficient conduct of its business, coordinate its operations with the requirements of this Act and the policies and regulations prescribed pursuant thereto;

(3) any executive agency named in the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947, and the head thereof, with respect to the administration of said Act;

62 Stat. 21. 41 U. S. C., Supp. II, §§ 151-161.

(4) the National Military Establishment with respect to property required for or located in occupied territories;



62 Stat. 1225.
50 U. S. C., Supp.
II, §§ 451-463.

50 U. S. C. §§ 98-98b;
Supp. II, § 93 note.
Ante, p. 330.

44 Stat. 403.
22 U. S. C. §§ 202-
360; Supp. II, § 295a
note.

50 U. S. C. app.
§ 1171 (b).

42 U. S. C. §§ 1751-
1760; Supp. II, § 1752
note.

61 Stat. 694.
7 U. S. C. § 1001 *et*
seq.; Supp. II, § 1001
et seq.
Ante, p. 144.
7 U. S. C. § 512c;
Supp. II, § 612c.
Post, p. 1057.

7 U. S. C. § 1291.
60 Stat. 1088.
7 U. S. C. § 1622 (D).

12 U. S. C. § 6402 (b).

48 Stat. 1246.
12 U. S. C. § 1701 *et*
seq.; Supp. II, § 1701c
et seq.
Ante, pp. 29, 57; *post*,
pp. 421, 681, 905.
Ante, p. 354.

"Airport property";
"airway property."

49 U. S. C., Supp.
II, §§ 1151-1160.

(5) the Secretary of Defense with respect to the administration of the National Industrial Reserve Act of 1948;

(6) the Secretary of Defense, the Munitions Board, and the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force with respect to the administration of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (60 Stat. 596), and provided that any imported materials which the authorized procuring agency shall certify to the Commissioner of Customs to be strategic and critical materials procured under said Act may be entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, free of duty;

(7) the Secretary of State under the Foreign Service Buildings Act of May 7, 1926, as amended;

(8) the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the Air Force with respect to the administration of section 1 (b) of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the strengthening of the national defense", approved July 2, 1940 (54 Stat. 712);

(9) the Secretary of Agriculture or the Department of Agriculture under (A) the National School Lunch Act (60 Stat. 230); (B) the Farmers Home Administration Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 1062); (C) the Act of August 31, 1947, Public Law 298, Eightieth Congress, with respect to the disposal of labor supply centers, and labor homes, labor camps, or facilities; (D) section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (49 Stat. 774), as amended, with respect to the exportation and domestic consumption of agricultural products; or (E) section 201 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (52 Stat. 36) or section 203 (j) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 1082);

(10) the Secretary of Agriculture, Farm Credit Administration, or any farm credit board under section 6 (b) of the Farm Credit Act of 1937 (50 Stat. 706), with respect to the acquisition or disposal of property;

(11) the Housing and Home Finance Agency, or any officer or constituent agency therein, with respect to the disposal of residential property, or of other property (real or personal) held as part of or acquired for or in connection with residential property, or in connection with the insurance of mortgages, loans, or savings and loan accounts under the National Housing Act;

(12) the Tennessee Valley Authority with respect to nonpersonal services, with respect to the matters referred to in section 201 (a) (4), and with respect to any property acquired or to be acquired for or in connection with any program of processing, manufacture, production, or force account construction: *Provided*, That the Tennessee Valley Authority shall to the maximum extent that it may deem practicable, consistent with the fulfillment of the purpose of its program and the effective and efficient conduct of its business, coordinate its operations with the requirements of this Act and the policies and regulations prescribed pursuant thereto;

(13) the Atomic Energy Commission;

(14) the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics or the Chief of the Weather Bureau with respect to the disposal of airport property and airway property for use as such property. For the purpose of this paragraph the terms "airport property" and "airway property" shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the International Aviation Facilities Act (62 Stat. 450);

(15) the Postmaster General or the Postal Establishment with respect to the means and methods of distribution and transportation of the mails, and contracts, negotiations, and proceedings

before Federal and State regulatory and rate-making bodies, relating to the transportation of the mails;

(16) the United States Maritime Commission with respect to the construction, reconstruction, and reconditioning (including outfitting and equipping incident to the foregoing), the acquisition, procurement, operation, maintenance, preservation, sale, lease, or charter of any merchant vessel or of any shipyard, ship site, terminal, pier, dock, warehouse, or other installation necessary or appropriate for the carrying out of any program of such Commission authorized by law, or nonadministrative activities incidental thereto: *Provided*, That the United States Maritime Commission shall to the maximum extent that it may deem practicable, consistent with the fulfillment of the purposes of such programs and the effective and efficient conduct of such activities, coordinate its operations with the requirements of this Act, and the policies and regulations prescribed pursuant thereto;

(17) Central Intelligence Agency;

(18) except as provided in subsections (a) and (b) hereof, any other law relating to the procurement, utilization, or disposal of property: *Provided*, That, subject to, and within the scope of authority conferred on the Administrator by other provisions of this Act, he is authorized to prescribe regulations to govern any procurement, utilization, or disposal of property under any such law, whenever but only to the extent he deems such action necessary to effectuate the provisions of title II; nor

Ante, pp. 329, 461.

(19) for such period of time as the President may specify, any other authority of any executive agency which the President determines within one year after the effective date of this Act should, in the public interest, stand unimpaired by this Act.

Ante, p. 333.

(e) Section 3709, Revised Statutes, as amended (41 U. S. C. 5), is amended by striking out "\$100" wherever it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "\$500".

AUTHORIZATIONS FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFER AUTHORITY

SEC. 503. (a) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

(b) When authorized by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, any Federal agency may use, for the disposition of property under this Act, and for its care and handling pending such disposition, any funds heretofore or hereafter appropriated, allocated, or available to it for purposes similar to those provided for in sections 201, 202, 203, and 205 of this Act.

Ante, pp. 333-335, 339.

SEPARABILITY

SEC. 504. If any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of this Act, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

EFFECTIVE DATE

SEC. 505. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 1949, except that the provisions of section 502 (a) (2) (repealing prior law relating to the disposition of the affairs of the War Assets Administration) shall become effective on June 30, 1949.

Ante, p. 329.

Approved June 30, 1949.

(FRANCIS L. PROFFER AND FRANCIS L. PROFFER)

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§ 486. Policies, regulations, and delegations—Promulgation by President

(a) The President may prescribe such policies and directives, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as he shall deem necessary to effectuate the provisions of said Act, which policies and directives shall govern the Administrator and executive agencies in carrying out their respective functions hereunder.

Accounting principles and standards

(b) The Comptroller General after considering the needs and requirements of the executive agencies shall prescribe principles and standards of accounting for property, cooperate with the Administrator and with the executive agencies in the development of property accounting systems, and approve such systems when deemed to be adequate and in conformity with prescribed principles and standards. From time to time the General Accounting Office shall examine such property accounting systems as are established by the executive agencies to determine the extent of compliance with prescribed principles and standards and approved systems, and the Comptroller General shall report to the Congress any failure to comply with such principles and standards or to adequately account for property.

Regulations by Administrator

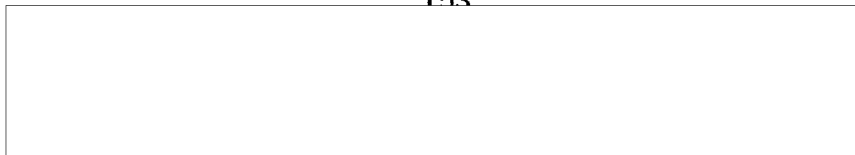
(c) The Administrator shall prescribe such regulations as he deems necessary to effectuate his functions under this Act, and the head of each executive agency shall cause to be issued such orders and directives as such head deems necessary to carry out such regulations.

Delegation and redelegation of authority by Administrator; exceptions

(d) The Administrator is authorized to delegate and to authorize successive redelegation of any authority transferred to or vested in him by this Act (except for the authority to issue regulations on matters of policy having application to executive agencies, the authority contained in section 754 of this title, and except as otherwise provided in this Act) to any official in the General Services Administration or to the head of any other Federal agency.

Delegation of functions by Administrator

(e) With respect to any function transferred to or vested in the General Services Administration or the Administrator by this Act, the Administrator may (1) direct the undertaking of its performance by the General Services Administration or by any constituent organization therein which he may designate or establish; or (2) designate and authorize any executive agency to perform such function for itself; or (3) designate and authorize any other executive agency to perform such function; or (4) provide for such per-



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