

order confirming the plan, share on a parity with the prior unsecured debts of the same classes, provable in the ensuing bankruptcy proceeding, and for such purpose the prior unsecured debts shall be deemed to be reduced to the amounts respectively provided for them in the plan or in the order confirming the plan, less any payment made thereunder; and

11 USC chs. 1-7.

“(3) the provisions of chapters I to VII, inclusive, of this Act shall, insofar as they are not inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this section, apply to the rights, duties, and liabilities of the creditors holding debts incurred by the debtor after the confirmation of the plan and before the date of the final order directing that bankruptcy be proceeded with, and of all persons with respect to the property of the debtor, and, for the purposes of such application, the date of bankruptcy shall be taken to be the date of the entry of the order directing that bankruptcy be proceeded with.”

SEC. 55. (a) All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with any provisions of this amendatory Act are hereby repealed.

Separability.

(b) If any provision of this amendatory Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this amendatory Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this amendatory Act are declared to be severable.

SEC. 56. EFFECT OF THIS AMENDATORY ACT.—(a) Nothing herein contained shall have the effect to release or extinguish any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred under any Act or Acts of which this Act is amendatory.

30 Stat. 544.
11 USC note
prec. 1.

(b) The provisions of this amendatory Act shall govern proceedings so far as practicable and applicable in cases pending when it takes effect; but proceedings in cases then pending to which the provisions of this amendatory Act are not applicable shall be disposed of conformably to the provisions of said Act approved July 1, 1898, and the Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Effective date.

SEC. 57. This amendatory Act shall take effect and be in force on and after three months from the date of its approval.

Approved July 7, 1952.

Public Law 457

CHAPTER 580

AN ACT

July 7, 1952
[S. 2240]

To amend section 40 of the Bankruptcy Act, so as to increase and fix the salary of full-time referees and to authorize increased salaries for part-time referees.

Bankruptcy Act,
amendment.
80 Stat. 556.
11 USC 68.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 40a of the Act entitled “An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States”, approved July 1, 1898, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 40. COMPENSATION OF REFEREE’S SALARY AND EXPENSE FUNDS; RETIREMENT OF REFEREES. a. Referees shall receive as full compensation for their services salaries to be fixed by the conference, in the light of the recommendations of the councils, made after advising with the district judges of their respective circuits, and of the Director, at rates not more than \$12,500 per annum for full-time referees, and not more than \$6,000 per annum for part-time referees. In fixing the amount of salary to be paid to a referee, consideration shall be given

to the average number and the types of, and the average amount of gross assets realized from, cases closed and pending in the territory which the referee is to serve, during the last preceding period of ten years, and to such other factors as may be material. Disbursement of such salaries shall be made monthly by or pursuant to the order of the Director."

Approved July 7, 1952.

Public Law 458

CHAPTER 581

AN ACT

July 7, 1952
[S. 2545]

To amend section 1823 (a) of title 28, United States Code, to permit the advance or payment of expenses of travel and subsistence to Federal officers or employees by one agency and reimbursement by another agency.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1823 (a) of title 28, United States Code, be amended by the addition of a sentence reading as follows:

"In any case which does not involve its activity, any department or agency may advance or pay the travel expenses and per diem allowance of its officer or employee, summoned as a witness on behalf of the United States, and later obtain reimbursement from the department or agency properly chargeable with such witness' travel expenses."

Approved July 7, 1952.

Witnesses.

62 Stat. 950.

U.S. employees.

Public Law 459

CHAPTER 582

AN ACT

July 7, 1952
[H. R. 4686]

Authorizing the transfer of a certain tract of land in the Robinson Remount Station, Fort Robinson, Dawes County, Nebraska, to the city of Crawford.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized to transfer by quitclaim deed to the city of Crawford, Nebraska, the following-described tract and parcel of land lying within the Robinson Remount Station, Fort Robinson, Dawes County, Nebraska, described as follows:

A triangular tract situated between the west boundary line of the city of Crawford, the east right-of-way line of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad and the north right-of-way line of United States Highway Numbered 20, bounded by a line commencing three hundred and seventy-four feet south of the Fort Robinson Military Reservation boundary post numbered 14 where the east boundary line of said military reservation intersects the north boundary line of United States Highway Numbered 20. From this point north one degree fifty-six minutes west a distance of two thousand one hundred twenty-four and ninety-eight one-hundredths feet to said military reservation post numbered 15 being along the east boundary of said military reservation and the west boundary of the city of Crawford; thence west one hundred and sixty-seven feet eighty-nine degrees thirty-eight minutes west to the intersection of the east boundary of the right-of-way of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad; thence in a southwesterly direction along the east boundary line of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad a distance of approximately two thousand six hundred and thirty-two feet to a point where the east boundary line of said railroad

Crawford, Nebr.
Conveyance.