

tion 2 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows: "The aggregate amount of all loans, advances of credit, and obligations purchased, exclusive of financing charges, with respect to which insurance may be heretofore or hereafter granted under this section and outstanding at any one time shall not exceed \$1,750,000,000."

FHA home repair
loans.
48 Stat. 1246,
64 Stat. 48,
12 USC 1703(a).

SEC. 2. Prior to June 30, 1954, the Federal Housing Commissioner shall pay out of the capital account of the Title I Insurance Fund to the Secretary of the Treasury the amount of \$8,333,313.65 which constitutes the Government investment in the capital account of the Title I Insurance Fund. The amount payable hereunder shall be paid in the discretion of the Commissioner either in one lump sum or in installments except that the first payment shall be made on July 1, 1953.

Repayment to
Treasury.

Approved March 10, 1953.

Public Law 6

CHAPTER 6

AN ACT

To amend the Act of June 23, 1949, as amended, to remove the monthly limitations on official long-distance telephone calls and official telegrams of Members of the House of Representatives without affecting the annual limitation on such telephone calls and telegrams.

March 10, 1953
[H. R. 2230]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first two sections of the Act entitled "An Act relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives", approved June 23, 1949, as amended, are amended to read as follows: "That in the case of each Member of the House of Representatives, there shall be paid from the contingent fund of the House of Representatives, in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Administration and subject to the limitations provided in section 2, the following charges:

House of Rep-
resentatives.
Telephone and
telegraph service.
63 Stat. 264.
2 USC 46f, 46g.

"(1) toll charges on strictly official long-distance telephone calls made by or on behalf of the Member within the United States, its Territories or possessions; and

"(2) charges on strictly official telegrams sent by or on behalf of the Member within the United States, its Territories or possessions.

SEC. 2. In the case of any Member of the House of Representatives other than the Speaker, the majority leader, the minority leader, the majority whip, and the minority whip, there shall be paid under the first section of this Act—

Limitation on
charges.

"(1) toll charges on strictly official long-distance telephone calls made by or on behalf of the Member, aggregating not more than 1,800 minutes during any year, except that if a Member is elected for a portion of a term, the aggregate number of minutes with respect to which toll charges may be paid under the first section shall be reduced, with respect to the year in which he commences his service, to a number which is the same percentage of 1,800 as the number of days of his service in such year is of the total number of days in such year; and

"(2) charges on strictly official telegrams sent by or on behalf of the Member, aggregating not more than 12,000 words during any year, except that if a Member is elected for a portion of a term, the aggregate number of words with respect to which charges may be paid under the first section shall be reduced, with respect

to the year in which he commences his service, to a number which is the same percentage of 12,000 as the number of days of his service in such year is of the total number of days in such year. For the purposes of this section, the term 'year' means the period beginning at noon on January 3 of a calendar year and ending at noon on January 3 of the succeeding calendar year."

Effective date.

SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act to such Act of June 23, 1949, as amended, shall take effect as of noon on January 3, 1953.

Approved March 10, 1953.

Public Law 7

CHAPTER 7

AN ACT

March 14, 1953
[H. R. 2332]

To place temporary limitations on the number of officers serving on active duty in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

Armed Forces.
Commissioned
officer personnel
limitations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) on June 30, 1953, commissioned officer personnel on active duty in the Armed Forces (excluding Reserve officers on active duty training or Reserve officers ordered to active duty for periods of thirty days or less) shall not exceed the following numbers in each grade:

Ranks	Army	Navy	Air Force	Marine Corps
General of the Army or fleet admiral of the Navy	4	3	0	0
General or admiral	8	6	7	1
Lieutenant general or vice admiral	27	24	19	4
Major general or rear admiral	172	128	161	23
Brigadier general or rear admiral	297	128	222	31
Colonel or captain of the Navy	5,199	2,987	4,351	546
Lieutenant colonel or commander	13,230	7,096	8,602	1,186
Major or lieutenant commander	18,075	10,911	21,454	2,522

(b) Vacancies within the allowances prescribed by subsection (a) of this section for any grade may be assigned to any lower grade or grades.

66 Stat. 537.

SEC. 2. Section 634 of Public Law 488, Eighty-second Congress, is hereby repealed.

Termination.

SEC. 3. This Act shall terminate on July 1, 1953.

Approved March 14, 1953.

Public Law 8

CHAPTER 8

AN ACT

March 23, 1953
[S. 1188]

To amend the Dependents Assistance Act of 1950 to continue in effect certain of the provisions thereof.

64 Stat. 797.
50 USC a P P.
2216.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 16 of the Dependents Assistance Act of 1950 (Public Law 771, Eighty-first Congress) is amended by deleting the date "April 30, 1953" and inserting in lieu thereof the date "July 1, 1955".

Approved March 23, 1953.