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H. R. 2275

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 29, 1953

Mr. JOHNSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to establish Civil Air Patrol as a civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force and to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to extend aid to Civil Air Patrol in the fulfillment of its objectives, and for other purposes."

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Act approved May 26, 1948 (62 Stat. 274), en-
4 titled "An Act to establish Civil Air Patrol as a civilian
5 auxiliary of the United States Air Force and to authorize the
6 Secretary of the Air Force to extend aid to Civil Air Patrol
7 in the fulfillment of its objectives, and for other purposes",
8 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new
9 sections:

1 "SEC. 3. (a) Volunteer civilian members of Civil Air
2 Patrol, except Civil Air Patrol cadets, shall, for the purpose
3 of administration of the Federal Employees' Compensation
4 Act, be deemed to be civilian employees of the United States
5 within the meaning of the term 'employee' as defined in
6 section 40 of that Act, and the provisions of that Act shall
7 apply to them in all respects, subject to the remaining pro-
8 visions of this section.

9 "(b) In the administration of that Act in such cases
10 the following shall apply: (1) The monthly pay of such
11 members for the purpose of computing compensation for
12 disability or death shall be deemed to be \$300; and (2) as
13 applied to such members, the term 'performance of duty',
14 as used in that Act, shall mean only active service, and travel
15 to and from such service, rendered in performance or support
16 of operational missions of the Civil Air Patrol, under direc-
17 tion of the Department of the Air Force, and under written
18 authorization by competent authority covering a specific as-
19 signment and prescribing a time limit for such assignment.

20 "(c) When a claim is filed, the Secretary of Labor or
21 his designee may inform the Secretary of the Air Force or
22 his designee, who shall advise, if so requested, the Secre-
23 tary of Labor concerning the facts with respect to the injury,
24 including the question whether at the time of injury the
25 member of the Patrol was rendering service, or engaged in

1 travel to or from such service, in performance or support of
2 an operational mission of the Patrol: *Provided*, That this
3 shall not be construed to dispense with the reports of the
4 member's immediate superior required under section 24, or
5 other reports required under section 28a of that Act.

6 “(d) The provisions of this section shall be applicable
7 as of May 20, 1941, in the cases of members of the Civil
8 Air Patrol as it existed under and pursuant to Executive
9 Order 8757 of May 20, 1941, as amended by Executive
10 Order 9134 of April 15, 1942, and Executive Order 9339 of
11 April 29, 1943: *Provided*, That the time limitations in that
12 Act, in respect to notice of injury and claim for compensa-
13 tion, shall not begin to run until the date of enactment of
14 this Act: *Provided further*, That no benefits under that Act
15 shall accrue or be payable in any case for any period prior
16 to the date of this Act, but this provision shall not bar the
17 payment or reimbursement of medical and other expenses as
18 authorized by sections 9 and 11 of that Act, if not otherwise
19 paid or furnished by the United States: *Provided further*,
20 That, with respect to services rendered prior to the enact-
21 ment of this Act, the term ‘performance of duty’, as used in
22 that Act, shall mean only active service, and travel to and
23 from such service, rendered in performance or support of
24 operational missions of the Civil Air Patrol, under direction
25 of the Office of Civilian Defense, the Department of the

1 Army (War), including the Army Air Forces, or the
2 Department of the Air Force: *And provided further*, That
3 the entitlement of any person to receive benefits from the
4 United States under any other provision of law in effect
5 prior to the date of enactment of this Act for an injury or
6 death for which benefits are authorized by this Act is hereby
7 terminated.

8 "SEC. 4. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to confer
9 military or veteran status upon any person."