

(2) was transferred back to the United States under orders which relieved him from a duty station outside the continental United States or in Alaska after July 9, 1952, and before July 1, 1953,

is entitled, for each of those transfers, to transportation, packing, crating, temporary storage, drayage, and unpacking of his household goods and personal effects without regard to the weight limitations of section 632 of the Department of Defense Appropriation Act, 1953 (66 Stat. 537). Any member who has made a repayment to the United States because the net weight of his household goods and personal effects in such transfer or transfers exceeded the weight limitations of section 632 may be paid the amount involved, if otherwise proper.

SEC. 2. The Comptroller General of the United States, or his designee, shall relieve disbursing officers, including special disbursing agents, of the Armed Forces from accountability or responsibility for any payments relating to shipments described in this Act, and shall allow credits in the settlement of the accounts of those officers or agents for payments which appear to be free from fraud and collusion.

Credits in accounts.

SEC. 3. Any appropriations available to the military department concerned for the pay and allowances of military personnel are available for payments under this Act without regard to any weight limitations upon the shipment of household goods and personal effects which may be contained in the appropriation Act concerned.

Appropriations available.

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CHAPTER 758

JOINT RESOLUTION

Granting the consent of Congress to the State of New York to negotiate and enter into an agreement or compact with the Government of Canada for the establishment of the Niagara Frontier Port Authority with power to take over, maintain, and operate the present highway bridge over the Niagara River between the city of Buffalo, New York, and the city of Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada.

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Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Congress hereby consents to the negotiation and entering into of a compact or agreement between the State of New York and the Government of Canada providing for (1) the establishment of the Niagara Frontier Port Authority substantially in accordance with the provisions of chapter 870 of the laws of 1955 of the State of New York as amended or supplemented; (2) the transfer of the operation, control, and maintenance of the present highway bridge (the Peace Bridge) over the Niagara River between the city of Buffalo, New York, and the city of Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada, to the Niagara Frontier Port Authority; (3) the transfer of all of the property, rights, powers, and duties of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority acquired by such authority under the compact consented to by the Congress in Public Resolution 22 of the Seventy-third Congress, approved May 3, 1934 (48 Stat. 662), to the Niagara Frontier Port Authority; and (4) the consolidation of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority with the Niagara Frontier Port Authority and the termination of the corporate existence of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority.

Niagara Frontier
Port Authority.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this joint resolution is hereby expressly reserved.

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