Public Law 93-58

AN ACT

To amend sections 3(e) and 5(l)(1) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937 to simplify administration of the Act; and to amend section 226(e) of the Social Security Act to extend kidney disease medicare coverage to railroad employees, their spouses, and their dependent children; and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3(e) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937 is amended by striking out the word "and" after clause (ix) in the second paragraph thereof and inserting after the semicolon in clause (x) in such second paragraph the following new clauses:

"'(xi) years of coverage as defined in section 215(a) of the Social Security Act for an employee who has been awarded an annuity under section 2 of this Act shall be determined only on the basis of his wages and self-employment income credited under the Social Security Act through the later of December 31, 1971, or December 31 of the year preceding the year in which his annuity began to accrue; and (xii) in determining increment months for the purpose of a delayed retirement increase, section 303(w) (2)(B)(ii) of the Social Security Act shall be deemed to read as follows: "such individual was not entitled to an old-age insurance benefit.""

Sec. 2. Section 5(l)(1) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937 is amended—

(1) by striking out from clause (ii) "shall not be adopted after such death by other than a stepparent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, brother, or sister;";

(2) by striking out from such clause (ii) "age eighteen" and inserting in lieu thereof "age twenty-two or before the close of the eighty-fourth month following the month in which his most recent entitlement to an annuity under section 5(c) of this Act terminated because he ceased to be under such a disability";

(3) by striking from the third sentence thereof "202(d) (3) or (4)" and inserting in lieu thereof "202(d) (3), (4), or (9)";

(4) by adding immediately after the seventh sentence thereof the following new sentence: "A child whose entitlement to an annuity under section 5(c) of this Act was terminated because he ceased to be disabled as provided in clause (ii) of this paragraph and who becomes again disabled as provided in such clause (ii), may become reentitled to an annuity on the basis of such disability upon his application for such reentitlement.";

(5) by adding the following new paragraph at the end thereof:

"A child who attains age twenty-two at a time when he is a full-time student (as defined in subparagraph (A) of paragraph 7 of section 202(d) of the Social Security Act and without the application of subparagraph (B) of such paragraph) but has not (at such time) completed the requirements for, or received, a degree from a four-year college or university shall be deemed (for purposes of determining whether his entitlement to an annuity under this section has terminated under subsection (j) and for purposes of determining his initial entitlement to such an annuity) not to have attained such age until the first day of the first month following the end of the quarter or semester in which he is enrolled at such time (or, if the educational institution in which he is enrolled is not operated on a quarter or semester system, until the first day of the first month following the completion
of the course in which he is so enrolled or until the first day of
the third month beginning after such time, whichever first
occurs)."

SEC. 3. Section 226(e) of the Social Security Act is amended—

(1) by inserting "or would be fully or currently insured if his
service as an employee (as defined in the Railroad Retirement
Act of 1937) after December 31, 1936, were included in the term
'employment' as defined in this Act" after "(as such terms are
defined in section 214 of this Act)" in 2(A) thereof;

(2) by inserting "or an annuity under the Railroad Retirement
Act of 1937" after "monthly insurance benefits under title II of
this Act" in 2(B) thereof;

(3) by inserting "or would be fully or currently insured if his
service as an employee (as defined in the Railroad Retirement
Act of 1937) after December 31, 1936, were included in the term
'employment' as defined in this Act" after "fully or currently
insured" in 2(C) thereof; and

(4) by inserting "or an annuity under the Railroad Retirement
Act of 1937" after "monthly insurance benefits under title II of
this Act" in 2(D) thereof.

SEC. 4. (a) The provisions of this Act, except the provisions of
section 1, shall be effective as of the date the corresponding provisions
of Public Law 92–603 are effective. The provisions of clauses (xi) and
(xii), which are added by section 1 of this Act, shall be effective as
follows: clause (xi) shall be effective with respect to calendar years
after 1971 for annuities accruing after December 1972; and clause
(xii) shall be effective as of the date the delayed retirement provision
of Public Law 92–603 is effective.

(b) Any child (1) whose entitlement to an annuity under section
5(c) of the Railroad Retirement Act was terminated by reason of his
adoption prior to the enactment of this Act, and (2) who, except for
such adoption, would be entitled to an annuity under such section for
a month after the month in which this Act is enacted, may, upon filing
application for an annuity under the Railroad Retirement Act after
the date of enactment of this Act, become reentitled to such annuity;
except that no child shall, by reason of the enactment of this Act,
become reentitled to such annuity for any month prior to the effective
date of the relevant amendments made by this Act to section 5(1) (1)
(ii) of the Railroad Retirement Act.


Public Law 93-59

To further amend the United States Information and Educational Exchange
Act of 1948.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 703 of
the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of
1948, as amended, is hereby amended to insert the following sentence
between the first and second sentence thereof: "There are further
authorized to be appropriated in fiscal year 1973 not to exceed
$1,150,000 for nondiscretionary costs."