Public Law 93-255

To amend the minimum limits of compensation of Senate committee employees and to amend the indicia requirements on franked mail, 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 105(e) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968, as amended and as modified by the Order of the President pro tempore of the Senate of October 4, 1973, is amended as follows:

(1) In paragraph (1), strike out "ranging from §18,525 to" and insert in lieu thereof "at not to exceed".

(2) In paragraph (2) (A), strike out "§8,265 to" each place it appears therein and insert in lieu thereof "not to exceed".

(3) In paragraph (2) (B), strike out "§18,240 to", "§14,250 to", and "§8,265 to" and insert in lieu thereof in each place "not to exceed".

SEC. 2. (a) Section 3216 of title 39, United States Code, is amended by striking out "", and the printed words "Postage paid by Congress".

(b) Section 733 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking out "Postage paid by Congress."

(c) Section 907 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking out "Postage paid by Congress."

SEC. 3. (a) Section 5(d) of the Act of December 18, 1973 (87 Stat. 742; Public Law 93-191), is amended by striking out "or 3218" and inserting in lieu thereof "3218, or 3219".

(b) Section 6(a) of the Act of December 18, 1973 (87 Stat. 744; Public Law 93-191), is amended by striking out "or 3218" and inserting in lieu thereof "3218, or 3219".

Approved March 27, 1974.

Public Law 93-256

To increase the period during which benefits may be paid under title XVI of the Social Security Act on the basis of presumptive disability to certain individuals who received aid, on the basis of disability, for December 1973, under a State plan approved under title XIV or XVI of that Act, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any individual who would be considered disabled under section 1614(a) (3) (E) of the Social Security Act except that he did not receive aid under the appropriate State plan for at least one month prior to July 1973 may be considered to be presumptively disabled under section 1631(a) (4) (B) of that Act and may be paid supplemental security income benefits under title XVI of that Act on the basis of such presumptive disability, and State supplementary payments under section 212 of Public Law 93-66 as though he had been determined to be disabled within the meaning of section 1614(a) (3) of the Social Security Act, for any month in calendar year 1974 for which it has been determined that he is otherwise eligible for such benefits, without regard to the three-month limitation in section 1631(a) (4) (B) of that Act on the period for which benefits may be paid to presumptively disabled individuals, except that no such benefits may be paid on the basis of such presumptive disability for any month after the month in which the Secretary of Health, Edu-
cation, and Welfare has made a determination as to whether such indi-
vidual is disabled, as defined in section 1614(a)(3)(A) of that Act.

SEC. 2. The last sentence of section 208(e)(2) of the Federal-State
Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 (as added by
section 20 of Public Law 93-233) is amended by striking out "April"
and inserting in lieu thereof "July".

Approved March 28, 1974.

Public Law 93-257

AN ACT

To provide funeral transportation and living expense benefits to the families of
deceased prisoners of war, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled,

SHORT TITLE

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "Funeral Transportation
and Living Expense Benefits Act of 1974".

FINDINGS

SEC. 2. (a) The United States did in 1973 provide transportation
and other amenities to families of five hundred and fifty-six returned
prisoners of war for reunions upon these men's arrival in the con-
tinental United States after release from imprisonment by the govern-
ment of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and did in 1973 also
provide transportation and other amenities to these returned prisoners
of war and their families to attend ceremonies in their honor in
Washington, District of Columbia.

(b) The remains of other prisoners of war, having died in captivity
in Southeast Asia, are now being returned to the United States for
burial.

(c) The United States owes no lesser degree of respect, honor or
solicitude to the memories of the men who died in captivity and their
families than in the cases of those who survived and returned alive to
the United States.

(d) It is fitting and proper, therefore, as a mark of respect to those
men who died in captivity while serving in the Armed Forces of the
United States, that comparable courtesies and amenities be extended to
the families of these deceased military personnel.

BENEFITS

SEC. 3. (a) The Secretary of Defense is authorized to provide
funeral transportation and living expenses benefits for the family of
any deceased member of the Armed Forces who shall have died while
classified as a prisoner of war or as missing in action during the Viet-
am conflict and whose remains shall have been returned to the United

(b) Such benefits shall include transportation roundtrip from such
family members' places of residence to the place of burial for such
deceased member of the Armed Forces, living expenses and other such
allowances as the Secretary shall deem appropriate.