(b) Any previous decision of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts with respect to the matter described in subsection (a) of this section shall not be a bar to the exercise of jurisdiction conferred by this Act, and shall not be considered by the court in reviewing and rendering judgment with respect to such matter.

Sec. 2. The jurisdiction conferred by the first section of this Act shall not apply to any action commenced more than six months after the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved February 22, 1984.

Private Law 98-10 98th Congress

An Act

Mar. 14, 1984 [H.R. 1750]

For the relief of Apolonio P. Tumamao and others.

Certain Navy Department civilian employees. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each of the following-named persons is relieved of all liability to repay the United States and is entitled to a refund of the amount which appears beside his name:

	indebtedness
Apolonio P. Tumamao	\$1,137.50
Milton M. Ikawa	2,032.50
Malcolm B. Shin	2,032.50
Mamerto A. Garma	1,938.00
John B. MacKinnon	2,028.75
Kenneth A. Grigsby	2,032.50.

The amounts represent overpayments of per diem allowances as a result of administrative failures by officials of the United States Government in implementing a regulatory change in the per diem rate in the case of the above-named civilian employees of the Department of the Navy who were performing extended temporary duty training assignments during the period May 1977 to January 1980. In the audit and settlement of the accounts of any certifying or disbursing officer of the United States, credit shall be given for the amount of payments made pursuant to this Act.

Approved March 14, 1984.

Private Law 98-11 98th Congress

An Act

May 3, 1984 [S. 1186] To clear certain impediments to the licensing of the yacht Dad's Pad for employment in the coastwise trade.

Vessels.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (46 App. U.S.C. 883), the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall cause the vessel Dad's Pad, official number 549526,

owned by John C. Sciacca, to be documented as a vessel of the United States with the privilege of engaging in the coastwise trade,

on compliance with all other requirements of law.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (46 App. U.S.C. 883), the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall cause the vessel Zorba, official number 229763, owned by Howard Costa, to be documented as a vessel of the United States with the privilege of engaging in the coastwise trade, on compliance with all other requirements of law.

Zorba.

Approved May 3, 1984.

Private Law 98–12 98th Congress

## An Act

For the relief of sixteen employees of the Charleston Naval Shipyard.

May 15, 1984 [S. 1212]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following named employees of the Charleston Naval Shipyard, Charleston, South Carolina, are hereby relieved of all liability to repay to the United States the below listed sums representing overpayments of per diem made through administrative error and received in good faith by the employees:

(1) Henry Brown, the sum of \$476;

- (2) Byron R. Buchanan, the sum of \$1,077;
- (3) Arthur Canady, the sum of \$450;
- (4) Robert E. Carter, the sum of \$442; (5) Edwin L. Clickner, the sum of \$476;
- (6) William F. Cummings, the sum of \$1,077;
- (7) Edward F. Fuller, the sum of \$1,077;
- (8) Wilbur Geathers, the sum of \$482.85;
  - (9) Donell E. Gourdine, the sum of \$1,250.05;
  - (10) David D. Lorick, the sum of \$1,077;
  - (11) Martin N. Olmeda, the sum of \$1,077;
  - (12) Lawrence E. Riley, the sum of \$617;
  - (13) Dean W. Sabo, the sum of \$1,077;
- (14) Leon T. Scarborough, the sum of \$902.75;
  - (15) George B. Stone, the sum of \$442; and
  - (16) Paul K. Vincent, the sum of \$434.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to an employee listed above any amount equal to the aggregate of the amount paid by such employee or withheld from any sum due him, in complete or partial satisfaction of the liability to the United States as specified in the first section of this Act.

Sec. 3. No part of the amounts appropriated in this Act shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of the Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Approved May 15, 1984.