

Public Law 87-671

AN ACT

To establish a procedure for the use of independent medical experts by the Board of Veterans' Appeals.

September 19, 1962
[H. R. 852]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 71 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof:

“§ 4009. Independent medical opinions

“(a) When, in the judgment of the Board, expert medical opinion, in addition to that available within the Veterans' Administration, is warranted by the medical complexity or controversy involved in an appeal case, the Board is authorized to secure an advisory medical opinion from one or more independent medical experts who are not employees of the Veterans' Administration.

“(b) The Administrator shall make necessary arrangements with recognized medical schools, universities, or clinics to furnish such advisory medical opinions at the request of the Chairman of the Board. Such arrangement will provide that the actual selection of the expert or experts to give the advisory opinion in any individual case will be made by an appropriate official of such institution.”

SEC. 2. Section 3301 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end of paragraph (1) thereof the following new sentence: “And to an independent medical expert or experts for an advisory opinion pursuant to section 4009 of this title.”

SEC. 3. The table of sections at the end of chapter 71 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof:

“4009. Independent medical opinions.”

SEC. 4. The amendments made by this Act shall be effective January 1, 1963.

Approved September 19, 1962.

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ical experts.
72 Stat. 1240.

Effective date.

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AN ACT

To amend section 4281, title 18, of the United States Code to increase from \$30 to \$100 the amount of gratuity which may be furnished by the Attorney General to prisoners discharged from imprisonment or released on parole.

September 19, 1962
[H. R. 11017]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4281, title 18, United States Code, is hereby amended by striking out the figure “30” and inserting in lieu thereof the figure “100”.

62 Stat. 856.

Approved September 19, 1962.

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AN ACT

To amend the Act of January 30, 1913, to provide that the American Hospital of Paris shall have perpetual succession.

September 19, 1962
[H. R. 11996]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 9 of the Act entitled “An Act to incorporate the American Hospital of Paris”, approved January 30, 1913 (37 Stat. 655), is amended by striking out “for the term of fifty years” and inserting in lieu thereof “in perpetuity”.

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pital of Paris.
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sion.

Approved September 19, 1962.