[CHAPTER 907]

AN ACT

To facilitate and simplify the administration of Indian affairs.

August 8, 1946
[H. R. 4386]
[Public Law 687]

Commissioner of Indian Affairs.
Delegation of powers and duties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of facilitating and simplifying the administration of the laws governing Indian affairs, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to delegate, from time to time, and to the extent and under such regulations as he deems proper, his powers and duties under said laws to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, insofar as such powers and duties relate to action in individual cases arising under general regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to law. Subject to the supervision and direction of the Secretary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to delegate, in like manner, any powers and duties so delegated to him by the Secretary, or vested in him by law, to the assistant commissioners, or the officer in charge of any branch, division, office, or agency of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, insofar as such powers and duties relate to action in individual cases arising under general regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Interior or the Commissioner of Indian Affairs pursuant to law. Such delegated powers shall be exercised subject to appeal to the Secretary, under regulations to be prescribed by him, or, as from time to time determined by him, to the Under Secretary or to an Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior, or to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The Secretary or the Commissioner, as the case may be, may at any time revoke the whole or any part of a delegation made pursuant to this Act, but no such revocation shall be given retroactive effect. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to abrogate or curtail any authority to make delegations conferred by any other provision of law, nor shall anything in this Act be deemed to convey authority to delegate any power to issue regulations.

Revocation.

Approved August 8, 1946.

[CHAPTER 908]

AN ACT

To amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, to provide annuities for certain officers and employees who have rendered at least twenty-five years of service.

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[Public Law 688]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

46 Stat. 468.
5 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 691

"(e) Any officer or employee to whom this Act applies who, after having attained the age of fifty-five and after having rendered at least twenty-five years of service computed as prescribed in section 5 of this Act,

Annuity after 25 years' service.

46 Stat. 472.
5 U. S. C. § 707; Supp. V, § 707.

"(1) shall have been involuntarily separated from the service not by removal for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency between July 1, 1945, and June 30, 1947, both dates inclusive; or

"(2) shall have been voluntarily separated from the service between such dates if such officer or employee had accepted a position with a lower rate of basic salary, pay, or compensation after having been involuntarily separated (not by removal for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency) between such dates from a position with a higher rate of basic salary, pay, or compensation, and was receiving less than such higher rate at the time of his voluntary separation,