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TITLE I

APPROPRIATION FOR OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE

5 SECTION 1. For the purposes of this title, there is 6 hereby appropriated, from funds in the Treasury not other-7 wise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000,000 for the fiscal 8 year ending June 30, 1936, and there is hereby authorized 9 to be appropriated for each fiscal year thereafter the sum of \$125,000,000, of which sums 99½ per centum shall be
apportioned among the several States as hereinafter
provided.

4 ALLOTMENTS TO STATES FOR OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE

5 **SEC.** 2. The Federal Emergency Relief Administrator (hereinafter called the "Administrator"), as soon as possible 6 7 after the commencement of each fiscal year, shall make allot-8 ments, in amounts as provided in section 6 of this Act, to each 9 State which, through a State old-age authority, has sub-10 mitted and had approved by the Administrator a State plan 11 for old-age assistance, and which, through its legislature, 12 has accepted the provisions of this title: Provided, That 13 such acceptance may be made, when such legislature is not 14 in session, by the Governor of such State, to be effective 15 until the close of the next session of such legislature 16 thereafter.

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DEFINITION OF OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE

18 SEC. 3. As used in this title, "old-age assistance" shall 19 mean financial assistance assuring a reasonable subsistence 20 compatible with decency and health to persons not less than 21 sixty-five years of age who, at the time of receiving such 22 financial assistance, are not inmates of public or other 23 charitable institutions.

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APPROVAL OF STATE OLD-AGE PLANS

2 SEC. 4. A State plan for old-age assistance, offered by
3 the State authority for approval, shall be approved by the
4 Administrator only if such plan—

- 5 (a) Is State-wide, includes substantial financial partici-6 pation by the State, and, if administered by subdivisions of 7 the State, is mandatory upon such subdivisions; and
- 8 (b) Establishes or designates a single State authority 9 to administer or supervise the administration of the plan and 10 insures methods of administration which are approved by 11 the Administrator; and

12 (c) Grants to any person whose claim for assistance13 is denied the right to appeal to such State authority; and

(d) Provides that such State authority shall make
full and complete reports to the Federal Emergency Relief
Administration in accordance with rules and regulations to
be prescribed by the Administrator; and

(e) Furnishes assistance at least great enough to
provide, when added to the income of the aged recipient, a
reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health ;
and, whether or not it denies assistance to any aged persons,
at least does not deny assistance to any person who
(1) Is a United States citizen; and

1 (2) Has resided in the State for five years or 2 more within the ten years immediately preceding appli-3 cation for assistance ; and

4 (3) Has an income which when joined with the 5 income of such person's spouse, is inadequate to provide 6 a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and 7 health; and

8 (4) Is sixty-five years of age or older: *Provided*,
9 That until January 1, 1940, but not thereafter, assist10 ance may be denied to otherwise eligible persons who
11 are less than seventy years of age; and

12 (f) Provides that so much of the sum paid as assist-13 ance to any aged recipient as represents the share of the 14 United States Government in such assistance shall be a lien 15 on the estate of the aged recipient which, upon his death, 16 shall be enforced by the State, and that the net amount 17 realized by the enforcement of such lien shall be deemed 18 to be part of the State's allotment from the United States 19 Government for the year in which such lien was enforced: 20 Provided, That no such lien shall be enforced against any 21 real estate of the recipient while it is occupied by the re-22 cipient's surviving spouse, if the latter is not more than 23 fifteen years younger than the recipient, and does not marry 24 again.

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REPORTS BY STATES

2 SEC. 5. To obtain the benefits of this title, a State 3 old-age authority shall submit to the Administrator at such 4 time and upon such forms as he may prescribe—

5 (a) An annual statement of the amount of the appro-6 priation made by the State for its current or **ensuing** fiscal 7 year for the purpose of carrying out the State plan, stating 8 how much of such appropriation is for the actual payments 9 of old-age assistance and how much for the payment of the 10 expenses of administration ; and

11 (b) An annual estimate of the sum which must be 12 contributed by the political subdivisions of the State during 13 such year for the purpose of carrying out the State plan, 14 estimating how much of the sum is for payment of such 15 old-age assistance and how much for the payment of the expenses of administration ; and as soon as possible there-16 17after, a, statement of the exact sums thus contributed; and 18 (c) At least once in every three months, a statement, 19 of the amount, actually paid, as old-age assistance, to each 20 person sixty-five years of age or over, and the amount 21 actually expended for the purpose of administration; and (d) An annual statement of the amount collected, if 22 23 any, from the estate of any assisted aged person, for which

I the State is accountable to the United States under section2 4 (f) of this Act.

3 (e) An annual statement, of the exact amount, if any,
4 of an allotment made under this title to such State remaining
5 unexpended at the close of the year for which such allotment
6 was made.

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AMOUNT OF ALLOTMENTS TO STATES

SEC. 6. (a) The Administrator shall compute annually 8 the amount to be allotted to such State at the sum of (a) 9 and (b) of section 5 of this Act, after deducting therefrom ΙΟ the sum of (d) and (e) of such section. In computing the 11 12 allotment for administration, only so much of the appro-13 priations and/or contributions for that purpose by the State 14 and its political subdivisions shall be taken as a basis of computation which does not exceed 5 per centum of the 15 appropriations for old-age assistance. 16

17 (b) The Administrator shall direct that the amount of 18 an allotment shall be changed when, under section 5 (b), a 19 definite statement shows that the sums actually required to 20 be contributed differ from the estimated amount, and the 21 change in the allotment shall be in relation to the variation 22 between the estimate and the actual requirement. 1 (c) If the sum of all allotments be in excess of the 2 appropriations for the purpose, then the allotment to each 3 State shall be diminished to that percentage which the 4 appropriations bear to the sum of all allotments.

- 5 (d) Any unexpended amount of any allotment to a
 6 State at the end of the year for which such allotment was
 7 made shall be available to the State for the ensuing year.
- 8 (e) The Administrator may withdraw his approval 9 of a State plan, if after his approval thereof such plan fails 10 to comply with the conditions specified in section 3 of this 11 Act. In case of such withdrawal of approval, the Admin-12 istrator shall notify the State authority of his action and the 13 reasons therefor, and shall notify the Secretary of the 14 Treasury to withhold payments to such State.
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PAYMENT OF INSTALLMENTS

SEC. 7. The Administrator shall annually notify the 16 Secretary of the Treasury and the treasurers of the several 17 18 States of the allotments made under this title, and shall periodically notify the Secretary of the Treasury of the 19 amounts payable as quarterly installments to the treasurers 20The Secretary of the Treasury, after of the several States. 21 receiving such notice, shall pay such quarterly installments 22to the treasurer of each such State from the sums allotted 23to it, unless the Administrator notifies him to withhold pay-24

ment of any installment, or to change the **amount** of any 1 2 allotment, in which case he shall act in accordance with 3 such notification: Provided. That no such installment shall 4 exceed one-half of the amounts expended in such State, in the quarter immediately preceding the payment of such 5 installment for the payment of old-age assistance, nor shall 6 7 it exceed \$15 a month per person, and for the administra-8 tion of the State plan, up to 5 per centum of the total 9 amount expended under such plan in such quarter.

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ACTION OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL

SEC. 8. The Comptroller General is authorized and
 directed to allow credits in the accounts of the Treasury
 of the United States for payment of allotments in the
 amounts notified him by the Administrator.

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ADMINISTRATION

16 SEC. 9. From the moneys becoming available under 17 or in accordance with this title not more than one-half of 18 1 per centum may be expended by the Administrator for 19 all necessary expenditures, including the employment of 20 experts, assistants, clerks, and other persons in the District 21 of Columbia and elsewhere, the purchase of supplies, mate-22 rial, equipment, office fixtures and apparatus, and the in-23 curring of travel and other expenses, as the Administrator

may deem necessary to carry out the purposes of this title. 1 The Administrator shall include in his annual report to 2 Congress a full account of the administration of this title 3 and expenditure of the moneys herein appropriated or 4 The President is authorized to transfer at any authorized 5 time to any officer or agency of the Government, the duties 6 and powers conferred upon the Administrator under this 7 8 title. 9 **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

SEC. 10. The Administrator is authorized to make all
rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes
of this title.

13 INCLUSION OF TERRITORIES AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
14 SEC. 11. As used in this title the term "State "
15 includes Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the District of
16 Columbia.

17 TITLE II 18 APPROPRIATIONS FOR AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

19 SECTION 201. For the purposes of this title, there 20 is hereby appropriated, from funds in the **Treasury not** 21 otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$25,000,000 for the fiscal 22 year ending June 30, 1936, and the sum of \$25,000,000 23 is hereby authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year 24 thereafter, not more than $99\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of such sums I to be apportioned among the several States as hereinafter2 provided.

ALLOTMENTS 'TO STATES FOR AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN 3 4 SEC. 202. The Administrator shall, as soon as possible after the commencement of each fiscal year, make 5 allotments, in amounts as provided in section 206 of this 6 Act, to each State which, through a State authority, has 7 submitted and had approved by him a State plan for aid 8 to dependent children, and which, through its legislature, 9 has accepted the provisions of this title: Provided, That IO 11 such acceptance may be made, when such legislature is 12 not in session, by the Governor of such State, to be effective 13 until the close of the next session of such legislature thereafter. 14

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DEFINITION OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN

16 SEC. 203. As used in this title, "dependent children" 17 shall mean children under the age of sixteen in their own 18 homes, in which there is no adult person, other than one 19 needed to care for the child or children, who is able to work 20 and provide the family with a reasonable subsistence com-21 patible with decency and health.

22 APPROVAL OF STATE PLANS FOR AID TO DEPENDENT 23 CHILDREN

SEC. 204. A State plan for aid to dependent children,
offered by a State authority for approval, shall be approved
by the Administrator only if such plan—

1 (a) Provides that not later than June 30, 1936, and 2 thereafter, aid to dependent children shall be available, to 3 persons in need of the same, in every political subdivision 4 of the State, and that the State shall make substantial con-5 tributions to the payment thereof; and

6 (b) Provides that such State authority shall make full 7 and complete reports to the Federal Emergency Relief Ad-8 ministration in accordance with rules and regulations to be 9 prescribed by the Administrator; and

10 (c) Furnishes assistance at least great enough to pro-11 vide, when added to the income of the family, a reasonable 12 subsistence compatible with decency and health; and

(d) Establishes or designates a single State agency, to
administer or supervise the administration of the plan and
insures methods of administration and payment which are
approved by the Administrator; and

(e) Does not impose a residence requirement., as a
condition precedent to the granting of such aid, of longer
than one year.

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REPORTS BY STATES

SEC. 205. To obtain the benefits of this title a State authority shall submit to the Federal Emergency Relief Administration at such time and on such forms as the Administrator may prescribe—

(a) An annual statement of the amount of the appro-1 priation made by the State for its current or ensuing fiscal $\mathbf{2}$ year, and the amount made available for such year by the 3 4 political subdivisions of such State, for the purpose of carrying out the State plan for aid to dependent children; and 5 (b) At least once in every three months, a statement 6 of the amount actually expended for such purpose; and 7 (c) An annual statement of the exact amount, if any, 8 of any allotment made under this title to such State, remain-9

ing unexpended at the close of the year for which such allot-ment was made; and

(d) An annual statement of the number of dependent
children whose mothers are receiving aid or are on the waiting list therefor under the State plan for aid to dependent
children.

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AMOUNT OF ALLOTMENTS TO STATES

SEC. 206. (a) The Administrator shall compute annu-1718 ally the amount to be allotted to such State at a sum equal 19 to one-third of the amount reported under section 204 (a) If the sum of all allotments under this paragraph be in 2021 excess of the appropriations for the purpose, then the allot-22 ment to each State shall be diminished to that percentage 23 which the appropriations bear to the sum of all such allot-24ments.

(b) The Administrator shall allot, in each fiscal year, 1 so much of the amounts made available under this title for 2 the preceding fiscal year as were not required for the pur-3 poses of paragraph (a) of this section, to any or all States 4 with approved plans for aid to dependent children, in amounts 5 apportioned by him on a basis of need, taking into account, 6 7 among other things, the numbers reported under section 205 8 (d) of this Act.

(c) Any unexpended amount of any allotment to a 9 State at the end of the year for which such allotment was ΙΟ made shall be available to the State for the ensuing year. 11 12 (d) The Administrator may withdraw his approval 13 of a State plan for aid to dependent children, if after his approval thereof such plan fails to comply with the condi-14 tions specified in section 204 of this Act. In case of such 15 withdrawal of approval, he shall notify the State authority 16 of his action and the reasons therefor, and shall notify the 17 Secretary of the Treasury to withhold payments to such 18 19 State.

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PAYMENT OF INSTALLMENTS

SEC. 207. The Administrator shall annually notify the Secretary of the Treasury and the treasurers of the several States of the allotments made under this title, and shall periodically notify the Secretary of the Treasury of the amount payable, as a quarterly installment, to the treasurer

1 of each State. The Secretary of the Treasury, after re-2 ceiving such notice, shall pay such quarterly installment to the treasurer -of each such State from the sums allotted 3 4 to it, unless the Administrator notifies him to withhold payment of any installment, or to change the amount of 5 6 any allotment, in which case he shall act in accordance 7 with such notification: *Provided*, That no such installment shall exceed the amounts expended by such State in the 8 9 quarter immediately preceding the payment of such installment for the purpose of carrying out the State plan for aid 10 11 to dependent children.

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ACTION OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL

13 SEC. 208. The Comptroller General is authorized and 14 directed to allow credit in the accounts of the Treasury of 15 the United States for payment of allotments in the amount 16 notified him by the Administrator.

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ADMINISTRATION

18 SEC. 209. From the moneys becoming available under 19 and/or in accordance with this title, not more than one-half 20 of 1 per centum may be expended by the Administrator 21 for all necessary expenditures, including the employment of 22 experts, assistants, clerks, and other persons in the District 23 of Columbia and elsewhere, the purchase of supplies, material, equipment, office fixtures and apparatus, and in the 24 25 incurring of traveling and other expenses as the Administrator may deem necessary to carry out the purposes of this title. The Administrator shall include in his annual report to Congress a full account of the administration of this title and expenditures of the money herein authorized. The President is authorized to transfer at any time, to any officer or agency of the Government, the duties and powers conferred upon the Administrator under this title.

8 INCLUSION OF TERRITORIES

g SEC. 210. As used in this title, the term "State "
IO includes Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the District of
11 Columbia.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

SEC. 211. The Administrator is authorized to make all
 rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes
 of this title.

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TITLE III

EARNINGS TAX

18 SECTION 301. Commencing on January 1, 1937, there
19 shall be levied and assessed upon every employee as de20 fined in this title an earnings tax, to be collected from and
21 paid by every employer subject to this title :

(I) As of January I, 1937, the tax shall be at the
rate of one-half of 1 per centum of the wages paid by such
employer to such employee.

1 (2) As of January 1, 1942, the tax shall be at the 2 rate of 1 per centum of the wages paid by such employer to 3 such employee.

4 (3) As of January 1, 1947, the tax shall be at the
5 rate of 1¹/₂ per centum of the wages paid by such employer
6 to such employee.

7 (4) As of January **1**, 1952, the tax shall be at the 8 rate of 2 per centum of the wages paid by such employer 9 to such employee.

10 (5) As of January 1, 1957, the tax shall be at the 11 rate of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of the wages paid by such employer 12 to such employee.

13 The amount of such tax (but no part of the tax levied 14 under section **302**) shall be deducted by the employer from 15 the wages of the employee.

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EMPLOYMENT EXCISE TAX

17 SEC. 302. Commencing on January 1, 1937, there 18 shall be levied and assessed upon every employer as defined 19 in this title an employment excise tax, to be collected from 20 and paid by every such employer:

(1) As of January 1, 1937, the tax shall be at the
rate of one-half of 1 per centum of the pay roll of such
employer.

(2) As of January 1, 1942, the tax shall be at therate of 1 per centum of the pay roll of such employer.

(3) As of January 1, 1947, the tax shall be at the 1 2 rate of $1\frac{1}{3}$ per centum of the pay roll of such employer. (4) As of January 1, 1952, the tax shall be at the 3 4 rate of 2 per centum of the pay roll of such employer. (5) As of January 1, 1957, the tax shall be at the 5 6 rate of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of the pay roll of such employer. 7 COLLECTION OF TAXES SEC. 303. (a) The taxes provided for in this title shall 8 9 be collected by the Bureau of Internal Revenue under the 10 direction of the Secretary of the Treasury. Such taxes 11 shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States. 12 (b) All provisions of law, including penalties, ap-13 plicable with respect to any tax imposed by section 600 or section 800 of the Revenue Act of 1926, shall, insofar as 14 applicable and not inconsistent with the provisions of this I5 title, be applicable in regard to the taxes imposed by this 16 title. 17 18 **RULES AND REGULATIONS** 19 SEC. 304. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, shall 20 21 prescribe and publish all needful rules and regulations for 22 the enforcement of this title, and in particular for-23 (a) Collection and payment of the tax by stamps, 24coupons, tickets, books, or such other reasonable device or

1 method as may be necessary or helpful in securing a com-2 plete and proper collection of the tax and for regulating 3 the manner, times, and conditions in, at, and under which 4 the tax shall be collected and paid, including the making 5 and filing of returns and the affixing or other use of said 6 stamps, tickets, books, or other device or devices; and

7 (b) Issue, sale, custody, production, cancelation, and
8 disposition of such stamps, tickets, books, or other device
9 or devices, including the substitution or replacement thereof
10 in case of loss, destruction, or defacement.

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SALE OF STAMPS BY POSTMASTERS

12 **SEC.** 305. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall 13 furnish to the Postmaster General without prepayment a 14 suitable quantity of adhesive stamps, issued or used for the 15 collection of any tax imposed by this title, to be distributed 16 to, and kept on sale by, the various postmasters in the 17 The Postmaster General may require each United States. 18 such postmaster to give additional or increased bond as 19 postmaster for the value of the stamps so furnished, and 20 each such postmaster shall deposit the receipts from the 21 sale of such stamps to the credit of and render accounts to 22 the Postmaster General at such times and in such form as 23 he may by regulations prescribe. The Postmaster General 24 shall at least once monthly transfer all collections from this 25 source to the Treasury as internal-revenue collections,

PENALTIES

SEC. 306. (a) Except as provided in this title or in 2 3 regulations made pursuant thereto, every person who buys, sells, offers for sale, transfers, takes, or gives in exchange, 4 5 or pledges or gives in pledge any stamp, coupon, ticket, book, or other device prescribed by the Commissioner of 6 Internal Revenue for the collection of any tax imposed by 7 this title, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon 8 conviction thereof, be fined not more than \$1,000 or sen-9 tenced to not more than six months' imprisonment, or both. 10 (b) Any person who, with intent to defraud, alters, Ħ 12 forges, makes, or counterfeits any stamp, coupon, ticket, 13 book, or other device prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the collection of any tax imposed by 14 this title, or who uses, sells, lends, or has in his possession 15 any such altered, forged, or counterfeited stamp, coupon, 16 ticket, book, or other device, or who makes, uses, sells, or 17 has in his possession any material in imitation of the mate-18 rial used in the manufacture of such stamp, coupon, ticket, 19 book, or other device, shall, upon conviction thereof, be 20 21 punished by a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or by imprison-22 ment not exceeding five years, or both.

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DEFINITIONS

24 SEC. 307. When used in this title—

(1) The term "person" means an individual, a trustor estate, a partnership, syndicate, group, pool, joint venture,

or other unincorporated organization, or a corporation, association, joint stock company, or insurance company.

3 (2) The term "domestic", when applied to a cor4 poration or partnership, means created or organized in the
5 United States or under the laws of the United States or of
6 any State or Territory.

7 (3) The term "foreign ", when applied to a corpora8 tion or partnership, means a corporation or partnership
9 which is not domestic.

(4) The term "employer " shall include every person
who employs an employee, as defined in this title, except
that it shall not include the Federal Government, the States
or any political subdivision thereof, a governmental instrumentality, or any employer subject to the Railway Retirement Act, including any amendments hereafter made to
such Act.

(5) The term "employee" shall include every 17 18 individual who on January I, 1937, has not attained the 19 age of sixty years, and who receives wages under any con-20tract of employment or hire, oral or written, express or 21implied, and the greater part of whose duties under such 22contract is performed within the continental United States 23 or on board a vessel subject to the jurisdiction of the United 24 States.

25 (6) The term " wages " shall mean the total of every
26 form of remuneration received by an employee from an

1 employer, whether paid directly or indirectly by an employer, including salaries, commissions, bonuses, and the 2 3 reasonable money value of rent, housing, lodging, board (except in the case of board, the total money value shall 4 not be included unless such total value is in excess of \$10 5 6 for any calendar month), payments in kind, and similar advantages; but it shall not include any such remuneration 7 received by a nonmanual worker who is employed at .a 8 9 monthly salary of more than \$250 a month.

IO (7) The term " pay roll " means the total amount ofall wages paid by an employer subject to this title.

(8) The term " continental United States " means the
several States and the District of Columbia, and excludes
territories and possessions of the United States.

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TITLE IV

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SOCIAL INSURANCE BOARD

SECTION 401 (a). There is hereby established in the 17 Department of Labor a Social Insurance Board (hereinafter 18 referred to as the "Board") to be composed of three mem-19 20 bers .to be appointed by the President. During his term of membership on the Board, no member shall engage in any 21 22 other business, vocation, or employment. Each member shall receive a salary at the rate of \$10,000 a year and shall 23 hold office for a term of six years, except that (1) any 24 member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the 25 expiration of the term for which his predecessor was **ap**-26

1 pointed, shall be appointed for the remainder of such term; 2 and (2) the terms of office of the members first taking office 3 after the date of enactment of this title shall expire, as 4 designated by the President at the time of appointment, õ one at the end of two years, one at the end of four years and one at the end of six years after the date of enactment of this 6 7 The President shall designate the chairman of the title. 8 Board.

9 (b) The Board is authorized, subject to the approval 10 of the Secretary of Labor, to appoint and fix the compensa-11 tion of such officers, attorneys, and experts as may be neces-12 sary for carrying out its functions under this Act, without 13 regard to the provisions of the civil-service laws and the 14 Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and, subject to the 15 civil-service laws, to appoint such other officers and em-16 ployees as are necessary in the execution of its functions and fix their salaries in accordance with the Classification Act 17 of 1923, as amended. 18

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DUTIES OF SOCIAL INSURANCE BOARD

20 SEC. 402. The Social Insurance Board shall have,21 among its duties, the duties of-

(a) Studying and making recommendations as to the most effective methods of providing economic security through social insurance, and as to legislation and matters of administrative policy concerning old-age insurance, unemployment compensation, accident compensation, health in surance and related subjects;

3 (b) Examining and making recommendations to the
4 Secretary of Labor as to the allowance of credit under title
5 VI of this Act;

6 (c) Supervising and directing, as hereinafter provided,
7 the payment of old-age annuities under a national contribu8 tory old-age insurance system ;

9 (d) Issuing old-ngc annuities, as provided in title V IO of this Act;

(e) Assisting the States, in the manner hereinafter
provided, in the administration of unemployment compensation laws.

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APPROPRIATION

15 SEC. 403. For the purposes of this title, there is hereby 16 appropriated from the funds in the Treasury not otherwise 17 appropriated (a) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936, the sum of \$5,000,000, and there is hereby authorized 18 19 to be appropriated for each fiscal year thereafter the sum 20of \$50,000,000, of which sums 98 per centum shall be 21apportioned by the Board among the States as hereinafter $\overline{22}$ provided; and (b) the proceeds derived from all taxes $\overline{23}$ imposed under title III of this Act, to be allocated to the 24 old-age fund established under this title.

1 SEC. 404. (a) There is hereby established in the 2 Treasury a fund to be known as the "old-age fund", to 3 be held and invested under the same terms and conditions 4 as the unemployment trust fund established under title VI 5 of this Act; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby 6 authorized and directed so to manage such fund.

7 (b) The Social Insurance Board shall, from time to 8 time, requisition from such fund the amounts necessary for 9 the making of all payments under section 405 of this Act, 10 and shall annually cause to be made, and transmitted to the 11 Secretary of the Treasury in the form of a formal instrument, 12 actuarial valuations of the future income and future expendi-13 tures of the old-age fund, which shall show the future obliga-14 tions of the Government under this title.

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PAYMENT OF OLD-AGE ANNUITIES

16 SEC. 405. (a) On and after January 1, 1942, the 17 Board shall requisition from the old-age fund and cause to 18 be paid, to qualified aged persons, old-age annuities out of 19 the sums appropriated under subsection (b) of section 403 20 of this Act. No person shall receive such old-age annuity 21 unless

(1) At the time when it is paid to him, he is
not less than sixty-five years of age; and

24 (2) Taxes were paid on his behalf under section
25 301 of this Act, prior to the day when he attained the
26 age of sixty years; and

(3) Taxes were paid on his behalf, under section
 301 of this Act, for at least two hundred different weeks
 in not less than a five-year period entirely prior to his
 attaining the age of sixty-five years; and

5 (4) He is not employed by another in a gainful 6 occupation.

7 (b) Any person qualified to receive an old-age annuity shall, upon complying with all rules and regulations 8 9 to be prescribed by the Secretary of Labor and reasonably ΙΟ designed to facilitate the just and prompt payment of such 11 annuities, be entitled to receive once in each month, com-12 mencing not earlier than January I, 1942, a monthly 13 installment of such annuity in the amount and under the conditions hereinafter prescribed, as follows : 14

(1) A person on whose behalf taxes were paid
under section 301 of this Act prior to January 1, 1942,
and prior to such person attaining the age of sixty-five
years, shall receive as his monthly installment an
amount equal to a percentage of his average monthly
wage. If taxes were paid on his behalf

21 (A) In two hundred different weeks (in not
22 less than five years), such percentage shall be
23 15 per centum of such wage;

(B) For each forty different weeks (prior to
his attaining the age of sixty-five years) over such
two hundred weeks, up to an additional two hun-

1dred weeks, there shall be added to such percent-2age 1 per centum, except that such addition shall3not exceed 1 per centum for the twelve-month4period commencing at the end of the original two5hundred weeks or the original five-year period,6whichever ends later, and for each twelve-month7period thereafter ;

(C) For each forty different weeks (prior to 8 his attaining the age of sixty-five years) over such 9 aggregate of four hundred weeks, up to an addi-IO 11 tional four hundred weeks, there shall be a fur-12 ther addition of 2 per centum, except that such addition shall not exceed 2 per centum for the 13 twelve-month period commencing at the end of 14 the additional two hundred weeks or the fifth of 15 the twelve-month periods under (B), whichever 16 ends later, and for each twelve-month period 17 If in the five years under (A) such .18 thereafter. taxes were paid in more than two hundred weeks, 19 such excess weeks over two hundred shall be 20 counted toward the additional two hundred weeks 21 22 under (B); and if in the five twelve-month 23 periods under (B) such taxes were or are counted as having been paid in more than two hundred 24 weeks, such excess weeks over two hundred shall 25

be counted toward the additional four hundred
 weeks under (C) .

(2) A person on whose behalf such taxes were paid 3 4 only after January 1, 1942, shall receive as his monthly installment, an amount equal to IO per centum of his $\mathbf{5}$ average monthly wage plus 1 per centum of such wage 6 for each forty different weeks (prior to his attaining 7 8 the age of sixty-five years) over the original two 9 hundred (in not less than a five-year period) in which ΙΟ such taxes were paid, except that such addition shall 11 not exceed 1 per centum for the twelve-month period 12 commencing at the end of the original two hundred 13 weeks or the original five-year period, whichever ends 14 later, and for each twelve-month period thereafter. If 15 in the original five-year period such taxes were paid in 16 more than two hundred weeks, taxes paid in such excess 17 weeks over two hundred shall be deemed to have been 18 paid in a subsequent twelve-month period.

(3) Any person entitled to the payment of any
installment under either paragraph (1) or (2) of this
subsection, may, if such person has a dependent spouse,
elect to receive a joint survivorship annuity of identical
actuarial value in lieu of the annuity provided under
either of such paragraphs, under such rules and regulations as the Social Insurance Board shall prescribe.

1 (4) In no event shall the actuarial value of an 2 annuity paid to a person under this section be less than 3 the amount paid in taxes on his behalf together with 4 interest accretions as determined by the Social Insur-5 ance Board.

(5) As used in this section " average monthly 6 7 wage " shall mean the total amount of wages upon 8 which taxes were paid under section 301 of this Act on behalf of the employee and prior to his attaining the 9 age of sixty-five years, such amount to be divided by ΙΟ 11 the number of months in which such taxes were paid, 12 except that such average monthly wage shall not exceed 13 \$150. For the purpose of calculating the average monthly wage, the Social Insurance Board shall adjust 14 15 the various lengths of the periods for which wages 16 were paid to **a** monthly basis.

17 (c) If any person on whose behalf taxes have been 18 paid under section 301 of this Act dies before receiving any 19 benefits, or before receiving in benefits an amount equal 20 to the total **amount** of such taxes paid on **his** behalf, with 21 interest accretions prior to the date of **first** receiving **an** 22 annuity as determined by the Social Insurance Board, there. 23 shall be paid to his legal and/or actual dependents an 24 amount equal to the **difference** between such amount of taxes together with such interest accretions and the benefits
 he has received.

3 (d) Any person upon whose behalf taxes were paid 4 under section 301 of this Act, who upon reaching the age $\mathbf{5}$ of sixty-five is not entitled to benefits, may thereafter claim from the Social Insurance Board an amount equal to the 6 $\overline{7}$ amount of such tax payments, and the Social Insurance 8 Board shall pay him such amount, together with interest 9 accretions as determined by such Board. No person who 10 thus claims and receives any amount under this section 11 shall thereafter be entitled to an old-age annuity or any 12installment thereof.

13 ALLOTMENTS TO STATES FOR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSA14 TION ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 406. The Board shall periodically make allot-15 ments, in a total amount of not more than \$4,000,000 in 16 17 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936, and thereafter not more than \$49,000,000 in each year, to those States which 18 19 have unemployment compensation laws requiring contribu-20tions for which credits against tax are allowed under title VI 21 of this Act. The total amount, or so much thereof as the 22Board deems necessary, allocated under this section shall be 23apportioned among such States on the basis of need for such $\mathbf{24}$ financial assistance in the proper administration of such laws.

1 CONDITIONS OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ADMINIS-

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3 SEC. 407. (a) No allotment shall be made or install-4 ment paid to a State, under section 406 of this Act, unless 5 and until the Board has made a finding of fact and has 6 certified the same to the Secretary of Labor and the 7 Secretary of the Treasury, that—

8 (1) All positions in the administration of the 9 unemployment compensation law of such State are filled 10 by persons appointed on a nonpartisan basis, and 11 selected on the basis of merit under rules and regula-12 tions prescribed or approved by the Board; and

13 (2) Administrative regulations and practices are
14 reasonably calculated to insure full payment of unem15 ployment compensation when due; and

16 (3) Unemployment compensation is paid as a 17 matter of right and in accordance with the terms of 18 the State unemployment compensation law to all per-19 sons eligible thereto under such law, and that all 20 persons whose claims for compensation are denied are 21 given a fair hearing, before an impartial tribunal ; and

(4) All such unemployment compensation is
paid through public employment offices of the State;
and

1 (5) All of the money raised by contributions 2 of employers and employees under such State law is 3 deposited upon collection to become a part of the 4 unemployment trust fund established under title VI 5 of this Act, and, upon being requisitioned, is expended 6 solely in the payment of unemployment compensation; 7 and

(6) The State agency charged with the ad-8 9 ministration of the unemployment compensation law Ю makes, upon request, full and complete reports to the 11 Social Insurance Board relating to the effect and administration of such law, on forms to be prescribed 12 by the Board, and makes available upon request to 13 any agency of the United States charged with the 14 administration of public works or other assistance 15through public employment, the names and addresses 16 17 and ordinary occupation of each recipient of unem-18 ployment compensation and the date when such recipient received the last regular payment of compen-19 sation to which he was entitled under the State law. 20

(b) Payment of any installment to a State to which an
allotment has been made shall be withheld if the Board
reverses the previous finding made by it under this section,
and notifies the Secretary of the Treasury and the treasurer

of the affected &ate of such reversal and the reason or rea sons therefor. The amounts thus withheld in any fiscal
 year shall be added to the total amount from which allot ments are made in the next fiscal year.

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NOTIFICATION

SEC. 408. The Board shall, as soon as possible after 6 the commencement of the fiscal year, notify the Secretary 7 of the Treasury, and the treasurers of the several States of 8 the States to which allotments for that **fiscal** year have been 9 made under this title, and of the sums allotted. 10 The Secretary of the Treasury shall thereupon pay in monthly in-11 stallments to the treasurer of each such State the sums 12 allotted to it, unless the Board notifies him to withhold 13 payment of any installment or to change the amount of any 14 allotment, in which case he shall act in accordance with such 15 notification. 16

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ACTION OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL

18 SEC. 409. The Comptroller General is authorized and 19 directed to allow credit in the accounts of the Treasury of 20 the United States for payment of allotments in the amount 21 notified him by the Board.

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- TITLE V
- 23 ANNUITY CERTIFICATES

24 SECTION 501. The Social Insurance Board is author-25 ized to borrow from time to time, on the credit of the United

Ι States, for the purpose of increasing the old-age fund established under this Act, such sum or sums as in its judgment $\mathbf{2}$ 3 may be desirable, and to issue therefor, at such prices and upon such terms and conditions as it may determine, annuity 4 certificates : Provided. That no such certificate shall be issued 5 except to United States citizens: And provided further, 6 7 That there shall not be issued to an individual a certificate 8 or certificates for loans which would amount, with interest 9 accretions, to more than an annuity of \$100 a month after IO such individual attained the age of sixty-five years,

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FOR AND CONDITIONS OF CERTIFICATES

12SEC. 502. Each annuity certificate issued under this title shall be in such form and subject to such terms and 13 14 conditions, and may bear such interest and have such provisions for payment, as the Social Insurance Board may 15 16 prescribe : Provided, That payment of interest may be de-17 ferred and payment of principal and interest to persons to whom such certificates have been issued may be made in 18 19 monthly installments.

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ISSUANCE OF STAMPS

SEC. 503. The Board may, under such regulations and upon such terms and conditions as it may prescribe, issue, or cause to be issued, stamps to evidence payments for, or on account of, such certificates.

Ι **DEPOSITS IN OLD-AGE FUND** $\mathbf{2}$ SEC. 504. All moneys borrowed under this title shall 3 be deposited by the Board in the old-age fund established under section 404 of this Act, to be held and used by the 4 5 Secretary of the Treasury as part of such fund. The Board shall requisition from such fund from time to time all amounts 6 needed to meet promptly all obligations of the United States 7 arising out of annuity certificates. 8 **RULES AND REGULATIONS** 9 SEC. 505. The Social Insurance Board shall make all IO rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of 11 this title. 12 TITLE VI 13 **IMPOSITION OF TAX** 14 SECTION 601. There shall be' levied, assessed, and 15 collected annually from every employer subject to this title, 16 for the taxable year commencing January 1, 1936, and for 17 each taxable year thereafter an excise tax, measured by an 18 amount equal to 3 per centum of such employer's pay roll: 19 20 Provided, That (a) If the Federal Reserve Board's adjusted index of 21 22 total industrial production averages, for the year ending 23 September 30, 1935, not more than 84 per centum of its 24 average for the years 1923-25, inclusive, the Governor of 25 the Federal Reserve Board shall certify that fact to the

Secretary of the Treasury and to Congress, and the tax
 imposed under this section shall, for the taxable year commencing January 1, 1936, be measured by an amount equal
 to 1 per centum of such employer's pay roll;

5 (b) If such index averages, for such year, more than 6 84 per centum but less than 95 per centum of such earlier 7 average, such fact shall be so certified, and the tax imposed 8 under this section shall, for the taxable year commencing 9 January 1, 1936, be measured by an amount equal to 2 10 per centum of such employer's pay roll;

11 (c) If such index averages, for the year ending 12 September 30, 1936, not more than 84 per centum of such 13 earlier average, such fact shall be so certified, and the tax imposed under this section shall, for the taxable year com-14 15 mencing January 1, 1937, be measured by an amount equal to I per centum of such employer's pay roll, except that in 16 no event shall the measure of tax for the taxable year com-17 mencing January 1, 1937, be less than the measure of tax 18 19 for the taxable year commencing January 1, 1936;

(d) If such index averages, for the year ending
September 30, 1936, more than 84 per centum but less than
95 per centum of such earlier average, such fact shall be so
certified, and the tax imposed under this section shall for
the taxable year commencing January I, 1937, be measured by an amount equal to 2 per centum of such employer's

pay roll, except that in no event shall the measure of tax
for the taxable year commencing January 1, 1937, be less
than the measure of tax for the taxable year commencing
January 1, 1936.

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ALLOWABLE CREDIT

6 SEC. 602. Any employer may credit against the tax 7 thus due, up to 90 per centum of the tax, the amount of his 8 contributions for the taxable quarter to any unemployment 9 fund under any State law: *Provided*, That the Secretary of 10 Labor has, in the month of December in the taxable year, 11 **made** a finding of fact and certified to the Secretary of the 12 Treasury that-

13 (a) The State by whose law such contributions were
14 required has accepted the provisions of the Act of June 6,
15 1933 (U. S. C., title 29, sec. 49 (c) ; 48 Stat. 113) ;

(b) Payment of all compensation is made and/or is
to be made through the public employment offices in such
State, and commences under such State law two years after
contributions are first made under such law;

(c) The State agency of such State, to safeguard the money paid as contributions and to assist in maintaining the stability of industry and employment, deposits all such money, or causes it to be deposited, immediately upon its being paid as contributions, in the unemployment trust fund, or in a bank or banks designated **as** agents of such trust fund to be held as part of such trust fund, in accordance
with section 604 of this Act;

3 (d) None of the money requisitioned by such State 4 agency, in accordance with section 604 of this Act, has 5 been used for any purpose except the payment of com-6 pensation;

(e) Compensation is not denied in such State to 7 8 otherwise eligible employees for refusing to accept new work under any of the following conditions: (1) If the 9 position offered is vacant due directly to a strike, lockout, 10 or other labor disputes; (2) if the wages, hours, and other 11 conditions of the work offered are substantially less favor-12 13 able to the employee than those prevailing for similar work in the locality; (3) if acceptance of such employment would 14 either require the employee to join a company union or 15 16 would interfere with his joining or retaining membership in any bona. fide labor organization; 17

18 (f) The State law includes provisions which permit 19 modification thereof at the will of the legislature or which 20 prevent the creation of vested rights against **modification** 21 or repeal of such law at any time.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

SEC. 603. In December 1935 the Secretary of Labor shall notify the Secretary of the Treasury and the treasurers of the several States of the names of those States

having State laws which, if faithfully executed, may entitle 1 employers to credit for contributions made under such laws 2 in the taxable year commencing January 1, 1936. Annually 3 thereafter the Secretary of Labor shall make findings of 4 fact and certifications to the Secretary of the Treasury, as 5 provided in section 602 of this Act, as to compliance by 6 the States with the conditions of subsections (a) to (f) 7 inclusive, of section 602, and shall notify the treasurers 8 9 of the several States of the names of those States which he finds to comply with such subsections. 10

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UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND

Sec. 604. (a) There is hereby established in the 12 Treasury a trust fund to be known as the "Unemployment 13 trust fund." The Secretary -of the Treasury is authorized 14 and directed to receive and hold in this fund any and all 15 16 moneys delivered in accordance with section 602 of this 17 Act by any State agency to him at the Treasure or at any bank designated by him for the purpose, and to receive and 18 19 hold the income derived therefrom. The fund or any part 20 thereof may be invested or reinvested in any primary obliga-21 tions of the United States or in any obligations guaranteed 22 as to both principal and interest by the United States; and 23 such obligations may be acquired by purchase of outstanding 24 obligations at the market price thereof or on original issue at 25 Obligations acquired by the fund on original issue, par.

1 which are issued exclusively to the fund, shall bear interest 2 at a rate equal (after adjustment to the next lower multiple 3 of one-eighth of 1 per centum) to the average rate of interest 4 payable at the time of such acquisition upon all primary õ obligations of the United States (other than obligations 6 issued directly to the fund) then forming part of the public 7 debt. Every other obligation acquired for the fund shall be 8 acquired on such terms as to provide an effective investment 9 yield which shall not be less, by more than one-eighth of 1 per centum, than such average rate. It shall be the duty of ΙΟ 11 the Secretary of the Treasury to invest as herein provided 12 such portion of the fund as is not, in his judgment, required 13 to meet current withdrawals. The purposes for which obli-14 gations of the United States may be issued under the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended, are hereby extended to 15 16 authorize the issuance thereof to the fund for the sole purpose 17 of providing it with suitable investments at such interest 18 rates as may be required for the purposes of this section, notwithstanding the availability in the market of obligations 19 20 of the United States bearing the same or different interest 21rates; and to an amount not in excess of the face amount, from time to time outstanding, of obligations originally issued 22 to the fund, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized in 33 his discretion and on the basis of fair market values to invest 24 and reinvest in, and to sell (or, in the case of primary obliga-25

tions of the United States, to cancel) any obligations of a
kind in which he is authorized to invest the fund, but without
limitation as to interest rate. Obligations so acquired shall
be held in a special account. All purchases, retirements, and
sales under this section shall be deemed to be public debt
transactions.

(b) Each State agency shall have an undivided interest
in the fund, but the Secretary of the Treasury shall maintain
a separate book account for each such State agency, and shall
credit quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30, and
December 31, to each such account a proportionate part of
the earnings of the fund for the preceding quarter, on the
basis of the average daily balance of such account.

14 (c) The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay out of the fund to any State agency such part 15 of the money held in trust for it, as may be duly requisi-16 17 tioned in accordance with the terms of this Act. Whenever in order to make any such payment it is necessary to dispose 18 of any obligations held in the fund, the Secretary of the 19 20 Treasury is authorized to sell such obligations on the market, or to acquire such obligations for the account of the United 21 States at the market price thereof: Provided, That obliga-22 23 tions originally issued to the fund shall be so acquired for the account of the United States at par plus accrued interest, 24

(d) The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized
 to appoint any one or more of the Pederal Reserve or
 national banks as his agents, on such terms and conditions
 as he may prescribe, to hold and have custody of the fund
 or any part thereof, and such banks are hereby authorized
 to act as such agents.

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ADMINISTRATION, REFUNDS, AND PENALTIES

8 SEC. 605. (a) The Commissioner of Internal Revenue, 9 with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, shall 10 prescribe and publish necessary rules and regulations for the 11 enforcement of the provisions of this title.

(b) Every employer liable for tax under this title shall 12 13 make a return under oath within one month after the close of the year with respect to which such tax is imposed to 14 the collector of internal revenue for the district in which 15 is located his principal place of business. Such return shall 16 contain such information and made in such manner, as the 17 Commissioner of Internal Revenue with the approval of the 18 19 Secretary of the Treasury may by regulations prescribe. The tax shall, without assessment by the Commissioner or 20 21 notice from the collector, be due and payable to the collector within one month after the close of the year with respect to 22 23 which the tax is imposed. If the tax is not paid when due, 24 there shall be added as part of the tax interest at the rate 25 of 1 per centum a month from the time when the tax became

1 due until paid. All provision of law (including penalties) applicable in respect of the taxes imposed by section 600 of 2 the Revenue Act of 1926, shall, insofar as not inconsistent 3 with this Act, be applicable in respect of the tax imposed 4 by this Act. The Commissioner may extend the time for 5 filing the return of the tax imposed by this Act, under such 6 rules and regulations as he may prescribe with the approval 7 of the Secretary of the Treasury, but no such extension shall 8 9 be for more than sixty days.

IO (c) Returns required to be filed for the purpose of the
11 tax imposed by this Act shall be open to inspection in the
12 same manner, to the same extent, and subject to the same
13 provisions of law as returns made under title II of the
14 Revenue Act of 1926.

(d) The taxpayer may elect to pay the tax in four 15 equal installments, in which case the first installment shall 16 be paid on the date prescribed for the filing of returns, the 17 second installment shall be paid on or before the last day 18 of the third month, the third installment on or before the 19 last day of the sixth month, and the fourth installment on 20 21 or before the last day of the ninth month, after such day. 22 If any installment is not paid on or before the date fixed 23 for its payment, the whole amount of the tax unpaid shall 24 be paid upon notice and demand from the collector.

(e) At the request of the taxpayer the time for payment of any initial installment of the amount determined as the tax by the taxpayer may be extended under regulations prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, for a period not to exceed

six months from the date prescribed for the payment of such

the extension is granted shall be paid (with interest at the

rate of one-half of 1 per centum per month) on or before

the date of the expiration of the period of the extension.

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DEFINITIONS

SEC. 606. When used in this title the term " Em-12 13 ployer " shall mean any person, partnership, association, corporation, whether domestic or foreign, or the legal rep-14 resentative, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, or trustee 15 thereof, or the legal representative of a deceased person, 16 17 who or whose agent or predecessor in interest has, within each of thirteen or more calendar weeks in the taxable 18 year, employed at least four persons in employment subject 19 to this title, except that the term " employer " shall not 20 include the Federal Government, the governments of the 21 22 several States, municipal corporations, or other govern-23 mental instrumentalities. In determining whether an employer employs enough persons to be an "employer" sub-24 ject hereto, and determining for what tax he is liable here-25

under, he shall whenever he contracts with any subcon-1 tractor for any work which is part of his usual trade, occu-2 pation, profession, or business, be deemed to employ all 3 persons employed by such subcontractor on such work, 4 and he alone shall be liable for the tax measured by wages 5 paid to such persons for such work; except as any such 6 subcontractor, who would in the absence of the foregoing 7 provision be liable to pay said tax, accepts exclusive liability 8 for said tax under an agreement with such employer made 9 10 pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of 11 Internal Revenue with the approval of the Secretary of the 12 Treasury.

" Employment " shall mean any employment in which 13 substantially all of the person's work is, or was, performed 14 within the continental United States under any contract 15 of hire, oral or written, express or implied, whether such 16 17 person was hired and paid directly by the employer or through any other person employed by the employer, 18 19 provided the employer had actual or constructive knowledge 20 of such contract; except that for the purposes of this title 21 it shall not include any employment included in any unem-22 ployment compensation system (other than for the District 23 of Columbia) established by an Act of Congress.

24 "Wages" shall mean every form of remuneration for25 employment received by a person from his employer,

whether paid directly or indirectly by the employer, includ ing salaries, commissions, bonuses, and the reasonable money
 value of board, rent, housing, lodging, payments in kind,
 and similar advantages.

5 "Pay roll" shall mean the total amount of all wages 6 paid by the employer during the taxable year to persons em-7 ployed by him in employment subject to this Act.

"State " shall include the District of Columbia.

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" State law " shall mean a statute enacted by any 9 10 one of the several States which provides for systematic 11 compensation and the creation of an unemployment fund 12 under the direction of a State agency, requires contribu-13 tions from employers, whether or not they are national 14 banks, and whether or not they are engaged in interstate 15 commerce, except insofar as they are included in any un-16 employment compensation system (other than one for the 17 District of Columbia) established by Act of Congress, and 18 which may require that employees and/or the State also 19 contribute.

20 "Contributions" shall mean the amount which the
21 employer has duly paid, as required by a State law, in and
22 for the taxable year, into an unemployment fund.

23 "Unemployment fund " shall mean a special fund,
24 established under a State law, and administered by a State
25 agency in trust for the payment of compensation, and shall

include so much of such fund as is administered as a pooled fund (which shall never be less, except insofar as it may be diminished by payment of compensation, than the amount raised by contributions measured by 1 per centum of pay roll) and so much, if any, for which the State agency maintains separate accounts for individual employers or groups of employers who are required to make contributions.

"State agency" shall mean any State officer, board, or 8 other authority designated, under a State law, to direct 9 the administration of an unemployment fund in such State. 10 " Pooled fund " shall mean an unemployment fund or 11 any part thereof in which all contributions are mingled and 12 undivided, and from which compensation is payable to all 13 14 eligible employees, except that it is payable to persons employed by employers for whom individual or group reserve 15 accounts are maintained by the State agency only when 16 such accounts, and any other liability of employers for 17 compensation, are exhausted. 18

19 "Reserve account" shall mean a separate account, 20 maintained by a State agency, of contributions paid by 21 an employer or group of employers, from which compensa-22 tion is payable to the employees of such employer or group 23 unless such account is exhausted.

24 "Guaranteed employment account "shall mean a
25 separate account, maintained by a State agency, of con-

tributions paid by an employer or group of employers who 1 guarantee full wages, for not less than forty weeks in each 2 3 taxable year to all of their employees, or all of their employees in any plant or plants operated by such employer 4 5 or group, and give adequate guarantees for the payment thereof as prescribed by the State law, from which account 6 may be payable compensation to each such employee if 7 his guarantee is not renewed and he is otherwise eligible 8 for benefits under such law. 9

10 "Compensation" shall mean the cash benefits payable
11 under a compulsory State law to employees for their un12 employment.

13 "Employee" as used in this title, shall mean any
14 employed person who is covered by a State law and/or
15 may become eligible for compensation thereunder.

16 "Tax" shall mean the gross tax imposed on the em17 ployer for the taxable year under section 601 of this Act,
18 except that when it is used in section 605 "tax" shall mean
19 the said gross tax minus any amounts credited in accord20 ance with sections 602 and 607 of this Act.

21 "Taxable year" shall mean the year from January I22 to December 31, inclusive, or any portion of such year.

23 ALLOWANCE OF ADDITIONAL CREDITS

SEC. 607. Any employer qualifying under section 608
of this Act, who has made contributions and has reduced

1 them under a State law which initially required uniform contributions from all employers making contributions, and $\mathbf{2}$ which thereafter allows certain employers to reduce their 3 contributions may, for any taxable year thereafter, credit 4 5 against the tax an amount in addition to the credit allowed 6 under section 602 of this Act, except that in no instance 7 shall an employer's total credits under this Act exceed 90 per centum of his tax. The additional credit under this 8 section shall be equal to the difference between (a) the 9 Ю amount of contributions (measured by his pay roll attributable to such State), actually required of and duly paid by 11 12 such employer for such year under such law, and (b) the 13 amount of such contributions which he would have been required to make under such law for such year at the highest 14 rate then applicable to any employer or employers required 15 to contribute under such law. 16

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CONDITIONS OF ADDITIONAL CREDIT ALLOWANCE

18 SEC. 608. No additional credit shall be allowed under19 section 607 of this Act except to an employer who-

(a) Has, since contributions were first required of
him under such law, made contributions, and is required
to continue to contribute to a pooled fund in the State
whose law allows the reduction for which such credit is
claimed at a rate of at least 1 per centum of his pay roll
attributable to such State:

Ι (b) If he is permitted to reduce or cease his contributions to a reserve account, (1) under a State law re-2 3 quiring the State agency to maintain reserve accounts for 4 each employer or group of employers making contributions, he is allowed to do so only when the benefits payable from 5 such reserve account have not been scaled down during the 6 taxable year because of the inadequacy of such reserve 7 8 account and only when such reserve account amounts to 9 not less than 15 per centum of the total pay roll (attribut-ΙΟ able to such State) of such employer or group during the 11 taxable year; or (2) under a State law permitting the State 12 agency to maintain reserve accounts for some employers, or 13 groups of employers, is allowed to do so only when such 14 employers or groups have guaranteed the full payment of 15 compensation to their employees regardless of the ade-16 quacy of their reserve accounts, and only when such reserve 17 account amounts to not less than 15 per centum of the total 18 pay roll (attributable to such State) of such employer or 19 group during the taxable year:

20 (c) If he is permitted to contribute at a reduced rate 21 as to contributions measured by the guaranteed wages paid 22 in such State, is allowed to do so only if the State agency 23 maintains a separate guaranteed employment account for 24 him individually or as one of a group of employers, and 25 only if he or such group has fulfilled his or its guaranty,

1 and only when the amount credited in such guaranteed 2 employment account amounts to not less than $7\frac{1}{2}$ per centum 3 of so much of the total pay roll of such employer group 4 for the taxable year as represents the wages guaranteed 5 under such law by such employer or group;

(d) If he is permitted to contribute at a reduced rate 6 (but not at a rate of less than 1 per centum of pay roll at-7 tributable to such State) to a pooled fund, is allowed to 8 do so if the State law permits contributions to a pooled 9 ΙΟ fund (over and above 1 per centum of such pay roll) to be made at varying rates: Provided, That such variations 11 12 are not allowed within five years after contributions are first paid under such law, and then are allowed only on a 13 14 basis of unemployment compensation experience.

TITLE VII

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MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

SECTION 701. (a) In order to enable the Federal 17 18 Government to cooperate with the State agencies of health in extending and strengthening services for the health of 19 mothers and children, especially in rural areas and in areas 20 suffering from severe economic distress, there is hereby ap-21 propriated the sum of \$4,000,000 from funds in the Treas-22 **ury** not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending 23 June 30, 1936, and there is hereby authorized to be appro-24

priated for each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of \$4,000,000. From these amounts so much, not to exceed 5 per centum, $\mathbf{2}$ 3 as the Children's Bureau shall find to be necessary for ad-4 ministering the provisions of this section and for investiga-5 tions and reports related thereto, shall be deducted annually for this purpose, to be available until expended. The re-6 mainder shall be allocated for furthering and strengthening 7 State and local health services to mothers and children, 8 extending maternity nursing services in counties predomi-9 nantly rural, and conducting special demonstration and re-IO 11 search in maternal care and other aspects of maternal and For each fiscal year, allocations of child health service. 12 the appropriations herein authorized shall be as follows: 13

(1) For furthering and extending maternal and 14 child health and maternity nursing services, the Secre-15 tary of Labor shall allot \$20,000 to each State and 16 apportion \$1,000,000 among the States in the propor-17 tion which the number of live births in each State bears 18 to the total number of live births in the United States 19 as determined annually by the latest available statistics 20 for the United States Birth Registration Area: Pro-21 vided, That no allotment made to a State under this 22 paragraph shall exceed the sum of the amount made 23 available by the State for the purposes of this paragraph 24

and the amount allotted to it under paragraph (2) of
 this section ;

3 (2) The Secretary of Labor shall apportion
4 among States unable, because of severe economic dis5 tress, to match by themselves in full the amounts made
6 available under paragraph (1), for their use in match7 ing such sums \$800,000;

8 (3) The Secretary of Labor shall allocate the
9 remainder for special demonstrations and research in
10 maternal care in rural areas, and in other aspects of
11 maternal and child health.

(b) The sums provided under paragraphs (2) and 12 13 (3) of subsection (a) of this section shall be available until the close of the succeeding fiscal year. So much of the 14 amount apportioned under paragraph (1) to any State for 15 any fiscal year as remains unpaid to such State at the close 16 thereof shall be available until the close of the succeeding 17 fiscal year for expenditures in that State, under the conditions 18 specified in paragraph (1), or if not requested by the State 19 agency of health, for apportionment among States as pro-20 21 vided in paragraph (2).

(c) In order to receive the benefits of paragraphs
(1) and (2) of subsection (a) of this section, a State
shall, through its State agency of health, submit to the

Children's Bureau detailed plans for effectuating the pur-1 poses of this section within such State and information con-2 3 cerning the amounts made available by the State for such 4 purposes, which, unless exceptional circumstances can be shown, must at least equal the amounts available for similar 5 6 purposes at the time of the passage of this Act; and if an allocation under subsection (a) paragraph (2) is requested, 7 8 the conditions leading to such a request. A State plan 9 must include reasonable provision for State administrative 10 and supervisory services, for furthering local maternal and child-health services administered by local public-health 11 12 units for State financial participation, and for cooperation 13 with medical, nursing, and welfare groups and organiza-14 tions; and must give due consideration to the development 15 of demonstration services or services of a more permanent 16 character in rural and other needy areas or among groups 17 of the population in special need. When the Chief of the 18 Children's Bureau 'deems a State plan and the administra-19 tion thereof to be in reasonable conformity with the pro-20 visions of this section and in accordance with accepted stand-21 ards of public-health practice developed by Pederal Bureaus 22 and other agencies, he shall approve the same and send 23due notice of such approval to the Secretary of Labor and 24 the State agency concerned.

CARE OF CRIPPLED CHILDREN

SEC. 702. (a) In order to enable the Federal Govern-2 ment to cooperate with the State agencies concerned with 3 the provision of medical care and other services for crippled 4 children, especially in rural areas, there is hereby appro-5 priated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936, from funds 6 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of 7 \$3,000,000, and for each fiscal year thereafter there is 8 9 authorized to be appropriated \$3,000,000. From this amount so much, not to exceed 5 per centum, as the Child-10 ren's Bureau shall find to be necessary for administering 11 12the provisions of this section and for investigations and 13 reports related thereto, shall be deducted annually for this purpose to be available until expended. The remainder 14 15 shall be allotted to States for purposes of locating crippled children, and of providing facilities for diagnosis and care, 16 17 hospitalization, and after care, especially for children living 18 in rural areas. For each fiscal year the Secretary of Labor 19 shall allot \$20,000 to each State and apportion the re-20 mainder among the States on the basis of need as set forth 21 in plans developed by the State agencies concerned and 22 approved by the Children's Bureau: Provided, That except 23 in the case of severe economic distress or other exceptional 34 circumstance, no allotment under this subsection shall exceed the sum made available by the State for the purposes
 of this section.

(b) In order to receive the benefits of this section a 3 4 State must, through an authorized State agency concerned with the provision of medical care and other services for 5 crippled children, submit to the Children's Bureau a detailed 6 7 plan for effectuating the purposes of this section within such State, and information concerning the amounts made avail-8 9 able by the State for the purposes of this section, which 10 should at least equal the amounts made available for similar 11 purposes during the fiscal year next preceding the passage of this Act, unless exceptional circumstances can be shown; 12 and if an allocation in addition to the original allotment of 13 \$20,000 is requested, the conditions leading to such a 14 request. A State plan must include reasonable provision 15 for State administration, adequate facilities for locating and 16 diagnosing children, adequate medical care, hospitalization 17 18 and after care, and cooperation with medical, health, and welfare groups and organizations. When the Chief of the 19 Children's Bureau deems a State plan and the administra-20 21 tion thereof to be in reasonable conformity with the provisions of this section, he shall approve the same and send 22 due notice of such approval to the Secretary of Labor and 23 the State agency concerned. 24

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AID TO CHILD-WELFARE SERVICES

2 SEC. 703. (a) In order to enable the Federal Government to cooperate with the State agencies of public 3 4 welfare in extending and strengthening, especially in rural 5 areas and areas suffering from severe economic distress, welfare services for the protection and care of homeless, 6 dependent, and neglected children, and children in danger of 7 8 becoming delinquent, there is hereby appropriated for the 9 fiscal year ending June 30, 1936, from funds in the Treasury ΙΟ not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,500,000, and IΙ there is hereby authorized to be appropriated \$1,500,000 12 for each fiscal year thereafter. Prom these amounts so 13 much, not to exceed 5 per centum, as the Children's Bureau 14 shall find to be necessary for administering the provisions of this section and for investigations and reports related 15 thereto, shall be deducted annually for this purpose, to 16 17 The remainder shall be allotted be available until expended. to States for the purposes of assistance to local units, 18 especially in rural areas, in the development of public child-19 20 welfare services and for improvement of standards and 21 methods of child-caring service throughout the State. For 22 each fiscal year, from the appropriations herein authorized, (I) The Secretary of Labor shall apportion 23 **\$1,000,000** among the States, allotting \$10,000 to 24

each State and the balance to States in the proportion which their population bears to the total population of the United States: Provided, That no allotment made to a State under this paragraph shall exceed the sum of the amount made available by the State for the purposes of this section and the amount apportioned to it under paragraph (2) of this subsection.

8 (2) The Secretary of Labor shall apportion the 9 remainder among States unable, because of severe 10 economic distress, to match in full the amounts allotted 11 under paragraph (1), for their use in matching such 12 sums, or for special demonstrations of methods of com-13 munity child-welfare service.

(b) The sums provided under paragraph (2) of 14 subsection (a) shall be available for expenditure until the 15 close of the succeeding fiscal year. So much of the amount 16 17 apportioned under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) to any 18 State for any fiscal year as remains unpaid to such State at the close thereof, shall be available until the close of the suc-19 ceeding fiscal year for expenditures in that State under the 20 conditions prescribed in such paragraph (1), or, if not re-21 22 quested by the State agency of welfare, for allocation to States as provided in such paragraph (2). 23

(c) In order to receive the benefits of this section aState must, through its State department of public welfare,

1 or, if there be none or more than one such agency, through a State agency designated by the legislature or provisionally 2 designated by the Governor if the legislature be not in ses-3 4 sion, to cooperate with the Children's Bureau under the pro-5 visions of this section, submit to the Children's Bureau a detailed plan for effectuating the purposes of this section 6 7 within such State, and information concerning the amounts 8 made available by the State for such purposes, which should 9 at least equal the amounts made available for similar pur-ΙΟ poses during the fiscal year next preceding the passage of 11 this Act, unless exceptional circumstances can be shown; 12 and, if an allocation under paragraph (2) of subsection (a) 13 of this section is requested, the conditions leading to such a 14 request. A plan must include reasonable provision for State administration, State financial participation, furthering local 15 16 public child-welfare services, and cooperation with health 17 and welfare groups and organizations, and give due con-18 sideration to demonstration services or services of a more 19 permanent character in rural or other needy areas or among 20 groups of the population in special need. When the Chief 21 of the Children's Bureau deems a State plan and the admin-22 istration thereof to be in reasonable conformity with the pro-23 visions of this section he shall approve the **same** and send 24 due notice of such approval to the State agency concerned.

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PARTICIPATION BY CHILDREN'S BUREAU

SEC. 704 (a) Out of the amounts authorized in this 2 3 title the Children's Bureau is authorized to employ such 4 experts, assistants, clerks, and other persons in the District $\mathbf{5}$ of Columbia and elsewhere, to be taken from the eligible 6 lists of the Civil Service Commission, and to purchase such 7 supplies, material, equipment, office fixtures, and apparatus, and to incur such travel and other expenses as it may 8 9 deem necessary for carrying out the purposes of this title. 10 It shall be the duty of the Children's Bureau to make or 11 cause to be made such studies, investigations, and reports 12 as will promote the efficient administration of this title.

13 (b) Within thirty days after an appropriation has been made under the authority of this title, the Secretary of Labor 14 shall make the apportionments on the basis of live births and 15 16 of population as provided herein, shall certify to the Secre-17 tary of the Treasury and to the treasurers of the several States the **amounts** apportioned for the purposes specified, 18 19 and shall certify to the Secretary of the Treasury the amounts 20 estimated by the Children's Bureau to be necessary for administering the provisions of this title. 21

(c) Within sixty days after any appropriation authorized by this title has been made, and as often thereafter
while such appropriation remains unexpended as changed

conditions may warrant, the Secretary of Labor shall ascer-1 tain and certify to the Secretary of the Treasury and the 2 Treasurer of the United States the amounts to which each 3 State is entitled under the provisions of this title, in accord-4 ance with plans submitted by the States and approved by 5 the Children's Bureau. Such certificate shall show that 6 the State has complied with all requirements of the pertinent 7 sections of the title. When in confortnity with the provisions 8 of the title such certificate, until revoked as provided in sub-9 section (d) hereof, shall be sufficient authority to the 10 Treasurer to make payment to the State in accordance 11 12 therewith.

(d) Each State agency cooperating with the Chil-13 dren's Bureau under the provisions of this title shall make 14 15 such reports concerning its operations and expenditures as shall be prescribed or requested by the Bureau. The Bureau. 16 after due notice in writing, setting forth the reasons therefor, 17 may revoke any existing certificate provided for in sub-18 section (c) whenever it shall determine that any State 19 agency has not properly expended or supervised the ex-20 penditure of moneys paid to it for the purposes and in 21 22 accordance with the provisions of this title. When so 23 withheld the State agency may appeal to the Secretary of 24 Labor who may either affirm or reverse the action of the Bureau with such directions **as** he shall consider proper. 25

1 (e) The Children's Bureau shall perform the duties 2 assigned to it by this title under the supervision of the Secre-3 tary of Labor, and he shall include in his annual report to 4 Congress a full account of the administration of this title 5 and expenditures of the moneys herein authorized.

6 (f) As used in this title, the term "State " shall in-7 clude Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the District of 8 Columbia.

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TITLE VIII

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APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

11 SECTION 801. There is hereby appropriated, from funds 12 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of 13 \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936, and 14 there is hereby authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal 15 year thereafter the sum of \$10,000,000, to be allocated to 16 the Bureau of the Public Health Service to be expended 17 as hereinafter provided.

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LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

19 SEC. 802. From the amounts appropriated under this 20 title, the Bureau of the Public Health Service shall annually 21 allot \$8,000,000 to the several States, in amounts determined 22 on the basis of the need of each State for such assistance, for 23 the purpose of developing State health services including 24 the training of personnel for State and local health work 25 and for the purpose of assisting counties and/or other po-

I litical subdivisions of the States in maintaining adequate 2 public-health programs. Payment of any allotment, or 3 installment thereof, shall be made only after the Secretary of the Treasury has made a finding of fact that there is need 4 to make such money available in such State, and has noti-5 6 fied the Treasurer of the United States to pay such allot-7 ment or installment, and the amount thereof. Any money appropriated for the purposes of this section but not ex-8 pended during the fiscal year shall be available for payment 9 10 of allotments to the States in the next fiscal year.

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BUREAU OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

SEC. 803 (a) Prom the amounts appropriated under 12 13 this title, \$2,000,000 shall annually be available to the Bureau of the Public Health Service, for the further investi-14 gation of disease and problems of sanitation, and related 15 Out of the amounts made available in this section matters. 16 the Bureau of the Public Health Service is authorized to 17 employ such experts, assistants, clerks, and other persons in 18 the District of Columbia and elsewhere, to be taken from 19 the eligible lists of the Civil Service Commission, and to 20 purchase such supplies, material, equipment, office fixtures, 21and apparatus, and to incur such travel and other expenses 22 as it may deem necessary for carrying out the purposes of 23 24 this title.

(b) The Secretary of the Treasury shall make all $\mathbf{2}$ rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes 3 of this title. 4 ACTION OF THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL 5 SEC. 804. The Comptroller General is authorized and 6 directed to allow credit in the accounts of the Treasurer of 7 the United States for payment of allotments in the amounts 8 notified him by the Secretary of the Treasury. 9 TITLE IX ΙΟ SEPARABILITY 11 SECTION 901. If any provision of this Act, or the 12 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held 13 invalid, the remainder of the Act, and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not 14 15 be affected thereby. 16 **RESERVATION OF POWER** SEC. 902. The right to alter, amend, or repeal any or 17 18 all provisions of this Act is hereby reserved to the Congress. 19 SHORT TITLE SEC. 903. This Act may be known as "The Economic 20 Security Act." 21