

ages, to the owners of private land utilized for ditches or canals in connection with any reclamation project, or any unit or any division of a reclamation project, provided the construction of said ditches or canals commenced after January 1, 1961, and such compensation shall be paid notwithstanding the execution of any agreements or any judgments entered in any condemnation proceeding, prior to the effective date of this Act.

“SEC. 2. Jurisdiction of an action brought by the United States or the landowner for the determination of just compensation pursuant to this Act is hereby conferred on the United States district court in the district in which any such land is situated, without limitation to the amount of compensation sought by such suit. The procedure for such an action shall be governed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for the condemnation of real and personal property.

“SEC. 3. The amendment made by this Act shall apply to any condemnation action pending in any district court of the United States on the date of enactment of this Act and to any such action instituted after that date.”

Approved October 4, 1966.

28 USC app.

Public Law 89-625

AN ACT

October 4, 1966
[H. R. 11927]

To authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to permit deduction by brokers of certain costs and expenses from rental collections on properties acquired under the veterans' loan programs.

Veterans Ad-
ministration.
Brokers' fees.
72 Stat. 1213.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (6) of section 1820(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: “Without regard to section 3617, Revised Statutes (31 U.S.C. 484), or any other provision of law not expressly in limitation of this paragraph, the Administrator may permit brokers utilized by him in connection with such properties to deduct from rental collections amounts covering authorized fees, costs, and expenses incurred in connection with the management, repair, sale, or lease of any such properties and remit the net balances to the Administrator.”

Approved October 4, 1966.

Public Law 89-626

AN ACT

October 4, 1966
[H. R. 12664]

To retrocede to the State of Colorado exclusive jurisdiction held by the United States over the real property comprising the Fort Lyon Veterans Hospital reservation.

Fort Lyon Vet-
erans Hospital,
Colo.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby retroceded to the State of Colorado the exclusive jurisdiction heretofore acquired from such State by the United States over the real property comprising the Fort Lyon Veterans Hospital reservation, Las Animas, Colorado.

SEC. 2. This retrocession of jurisdiction shall take effect upon acceptance by the State of Colorado.

Approved October 4, 1966.