

## Public Law 87-252

## AN ACT

To make the Panama Canal Company immune from attachment or garnishment of salaries owed to its employees, and to amend the Shipping Act, 1916.

September 16, 1961  
[H. R. 3156]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That paragraph (d) of section 248 of title 2, Canal Zone Code, as added by section 2 of the Act of June 29, 1948 (62 Stat. 1078), is amended to read as follows:

Panama Canal  
Company.  
Garnishment of  
salaries.

“(d) May sue and be sued in its corporate name, but no attachment, garnishment, or similar process shall be issued against salaries or other moneys owed by the Company to its employees”.

SEC. 2. That section 2 of the Act of August 12, 1958, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

Shipping.  
Dual rate con-  
tract agreements,  
72 Stat. 574; 74  
Stat. 253.  
46 USC 812note.

“SEC. 2. This Act shall be effective immediately upon enactment and shall cease to be effective on and after October 15, 1961: *Provided, however,* That contracts in effect midnight September 14, 1961, shall remain in effect until midnight October 15, 1961, unless such contracts terminate earlier by their own terms, or are rendered illegal under the terms of the first section of this Act.”

Approved September 16, 1961.

## Public Law 87-253

## AN ACT

To amend section 331 of title 28 of the United States Code so as to provide for representation on the Judicial Conference of the United States.

September 19, 1961  
[H. R. 176]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the first sentence of the first paragraph of section 331 of title 28 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows:

Judicial Confer-  
ence of the U.S.  
Representation.  
71 Stat. 476.

“The Chief Justice of the United States shall summon annually the chief judge of each judicial circuit, the chief judge of the Court of Claims, the chief judge of the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals, and a district judge from each judicial circuit to a conference at such time and place in the United States as he may designate.”

SEC. 2. The third paragraph of section 331 of title 28 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows:

Alternates.

“If the chief judge of any circuit or the district judge chosen by the judges of the circuit is unable to attend, the Chief Justice may summon any other circuit or district judge from such circuit. If the chief judge of the Court of Claims, or the chief judge of the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals is unable to attend, the Chief Justice may summon an associate judge of such court. Every judge summoned shall attend and, unless excused by the Chief Justice, shall remain throughout the sessions of the conference and advise as to the needs of his circuit or court and as to any matters in respect of which the administration of justice in the courts of the United States may be improved.”

SEC. 3. The second paragraph of section 605 of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

Budget esti-  
mates.  
Approval.  
70 Stat. 497.

“Such estimates shall be approved, before presentation to the Bureau of the Budget, by the Judicial Conference of the United States, except that the estimate with respect to the Customs Court shall be approved by such court.”

Approved September 19, 1961.