

Public Law 90-221

AN ACT

To improve certain benefits for employees who serve in high-risk situations, and for other purposes.

December 23, 1967
[S. 1785]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 911 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1136), is amended by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (10) and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon and by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

Federal employees.
Benefits for hazardous duty, increase.
60 Stat. 1026.
22 USC 1136.

"(11) the travel expenses of officers and employees of the Service for up to two round trips each year for purposes of family visitation in situations where the family of the officer or employee is prevented by official order from accompanying such officer or employee to, or has been ordered evacuated from, his assigned post because of danger from hostile activity, except that, with respect to any such officer or employee whose dependents are located abroad, the Secretary may authorize such additional trips as he deems appropriate not to exceed the equivalent cost of two round trips of less than first class to the District of Columbia, and the travel expenses of officers or employees stationed abroad (or their dependents located abroad), for purposes of family visitation in emergency situations involving personal hardship: *Provided*, That the facilities of the Military Airlift Command shall be utilized whenever possible for travel authorized under this section."

Travel expenses.

SEC. 2. Immediately after section 943 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, add the following new section:

Medical services.
70 Stat. 707.
22 USC 1158.

"SEC. 944. Under such regulations as he may prescribe, the Secretary is authorized to provide medical services under part E of this title beyond the date of death or separation of an officer or employee."

SEC. 3. (a) Subchapter II of chapter 63 of title 5, United States Code (which relates to leave), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

80 Stat. 521.

"§ 6325. Absence resulting from hostile action abroad

"No leave shall be charged to the account of any officer or employee for absence, not to exceed one year, due to any injury incurred while serving abroad and resulting from war, insurgency, mob violence, or similar hostile action: *Provided*, That the injury shall not have been due to vicious habits, intemperance, or willful misconduct on the part of the officer or employee."

(b) The analysis at the beginning of such subchapter is amended by adding the following item at the end thereof:

"6325. Absence resulting from hostile action abroad."

(c) The amendment made by subsection (a) of this section shall take effect as of the first day of the first pay period which began on or after January 1, 1965.

Effective date.

Approved December 23, 1967, 10:24 a.m., Cam Ranh Bay, So. Viet Nam.