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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 24, 1958

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

AN ACT

To authorize an increase in the membership of the Board of Appeals of the Patent Office; to provide increased salaries for certain officers and employees of the Patent Office; and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the first sentence of the first paragraph of section 3 of title 35 of the United States Code is amended by striking out the word "nine" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "not more than fifteen".

(b) Such section is amended by inserting therein, immediately after the first paragraph thereof, the following new paragraph:

"The annual rate of compensation of the Commissioner shall be $20,000; and that of each assistant commissioner shall be $19,500. The Commissioner is authorized, without regard to the provisions of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, to fix the annual rates of basic compensation of the examiners-in-chief, subject to the approval of the Civil Service Commission, at rates not exceeding the maximum rate now or hereafter prescribed by law for employees of the classes described in the first section of the Act entitled 'An Act to authorize the creation of additional positions in the professional and scientific service in the War and Navy Departments,' approved August 1, 1947 (61 Stat. 715), as amended."

SEC. 2. Section 7 of title 35 of the United States Code is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Such designated examiners-in-chief may be compensated at the established rate for the positions in which they are temporarily serving, provided, that at the end of the period for which designated their rate of compensation shall be adjusted to what it would have been had such designation not been made."

Passed the Senate July 23, 1958.

Attest: FELTON M. JOHNSTON,

Secretary.

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