

R.S. § 2225 derived from act Mar. 3, 1831, ch. 116, § 5, 4 Stat. 493.

§ 59. Official papers in office of surveyor general in California; copies

All official books, papers, instruments of writing, documents, archives, official seals, stamps, or dies, which have been authorized by law to be collected and deposited in the surveyor general's office in California, shall be safely and securely kept by the Secretary of the Interior, or such officer as he may designate, in the archives of his office until disposed of as provided by law; and copies thereof, authenticated by the Secretary or such officer under his seal of office, shall be evidence in all cases where the originals would be evidence.

(R.S. § 2229; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1144; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100; Oct. 25, 1951, ch. 562, § 3(3), 65 Stat. 639.)

CODIFICATION

R.S. § 2229 derived from act May 18, 1858, ch. 39, § 1, 11 Stat. 289.

AMENDMENTS

1951—Act Oct. 25, 1951, inserted “until disposed of as provided by law”.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§ 1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out under section 1451 of this title.

“Secretary of the Interior or such officer as he may designate” substituted for “Supervisor of Surveys” on authority on section 403 of Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1946. See note set out under section 1 of this title.

Previously, “Supervisor of Surveys” was substituted for “surveyor general” by act Mar. 3, 1925.

§ 60. Stationery for mineral surveys

The stationery and drafting instruments purchased on and after March 3, 1901, for exclusive use of the Secretary of the Interior or such officers as he may designate in the preparation of plats and field notes of mineral surveys, as also the rent of additional quarters that may be necessary for the execution of such work, shall be paid for out of the fund created by deposits made by individuals to the credit of the United States to cover the cost of office work on such mineral surveys.

(Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 830, § 1, 31 Stat. 1003; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1144; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100.)

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“Secretary of the Interior or such officer as he may designate” substituted for “Field Surveying Service” on authority of section 403 of Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1946. See note set out under section 1 of this title.

Previously, “Field Surveying Service” substituted for “surveyors-general” on authority of act Mar. 3,

1925, which abolished office of surveyor general and transferred its activities to Field Surveying Service.

§§ 61 to 63. Repealed. Dec. 16, 1930, ch. 14, § 1, 46 Stat. 1029

Section 61, R.S. § 2230; act Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1144, related to bonds for deputy surveyors.

Section 62, R.S. § 2231, act Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1144, related to oath of deputy surveyors.

Section 63, R.S. § 2232; act Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1144, related to suits on bond of deputy surveyors.

CHAPTER 4—DISTRICT LAND OFFICES

Sec.

70 to 74. Repealed or Omitted.

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79c. Payment of fees, commissions, etc.; deposit in Treasury.

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87, 88. Repealed.

89. Monthly returns of district land offices.

90. Omitted.

91. Deposit in Treasury of unearned fees and un-official moneys.

92. Lists furnished with deposits.

93. Deposit of moneys deposited by unknown parties.

94. Reimbursement of sums disbursed as special disbursing agents.

95 to 98a. Repealed.

99. Repayment of moneys deposited and covered into Treasury.

100. Disqualification.

101. Report of disqualification; designation of officer to act.

102. Attendance of witnesses.

103. Witnesses' fees.

104. Disobedience to subpoena.

105. Depositions of witnesses residing outside county.

106. Continuing taking of depositions in behalf of opposite party.

107. Penalty for false information.

§§ 70 to 73. Repealed. Pub. L. 89-554, § 8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 632, 638, 645, 646

Section 70, act Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208, consolidated offices of register and receiver.

Section 71, act Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145, provided for consolidation of offices of register and receiver, effective July 1, 1925.

Section 72, R.S. § 2334; acts Jan. 27, 1898, ch. 10, 30 Stat. 234; Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, related to duties of Secretary of the Interior concerning sale of public lands.

Section 73, act Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 2, 42 Stat. 208, related to designation of chief clerk to act in case of death, resignation, removal, or disability of register.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to section 71 of this title were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

Jan. 24, 1923, ch. 42, 42 Stat. 1179.

June 30, 1922, ch. 255, § 1, 42 Stat. 766.

May 24, 1922, ch. 199, 42 Stat. 557.

Mar. 24, 1921, ch. 161, 41 Stat. 1397.

June 5, 1920, ch. 235, 41 Stat. 907.

July 19, 1919, ch. 24, 41 Stat. 194.

Act May 24, 1922, ch. 199, 42 Stat. 557, abolished land office at Springfield and offices of register and receiver thereat.

Act May 2, 1914, ch. 74, §§ 1, 2, 38 Stat. 371, 372, abolished office of receiver of public moneys at Springfield, Mo., transferred his duties and custody of books, records, etc., to register, and contained other provisions concerning register's duties.

Act. Mar. 2, 1895, ch. 177, § 3, 28 Stat. 807, required duplication of reports and returns of registers and receivers to be prevented by regulations.

Act. Oct. 1, 1890, ch. 1269, § 2, 26 Stat. 657, concerned taking of final proofs by remaining officer in case of a vacancy in office of register or receiver.

§ 74. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, R.S. § 2228, acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145, which authorized President to transfer duties of register in any district to Supervisor of Surveys, was omitted pursuant to Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1946, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100. See note set out under section 1 of this title.

§ 75. Administration of oaths

The officer designated by the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, and it shall be his duty, to administer any oath required by law or the instructions of the Bureau of Land Management, in connection with the entry or purchase of any tract of the public lands; but he shall not charge or receive, directly or indirectly, any compensation for administering such oath.

(R.S. § 2246; Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100.)

CODIFICATION

The words "or receiver" which followed "register" in the original text were omitted, in view of act Mar. 3, 1925 (classified to section 71 of this title), providing for the consolidation of the offices of register and receiver. See, also, Transfer of Functions note below.

R.S. § 2246 derived from act June 12, 1840, ch. 35, § 5 Stat. 384.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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Reference to "register" changed to "officer designated by the Secretary of the Interior" and "Bureau of Land Management" substituted for "General Land Office" on authority of section 403 of Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1946. See note set out under section 1 of this title.

§§ 75a to 79b. Repealed. Pub. L. 89-554, § 8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 632, 645, 646, 652

Section 75a, act May 17, 1926, ch. 303, 44 Stat. 558, authorized administration of oaths by an employee of Department of the Interior designated to act as register.

Section 76, R.S. § 2244; acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145, related to term of office of registers.

Section 77, R.S. § 2222; acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145, provided for continuation of duties and bond of register after expiration of his commission.

Section 78, R.S. § 2235; acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145, required

register to reside at place where land office was located.

Section 79, R.S. § 2236; acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145, required registers to give bond in the penal sum of \$10,000.

Section 79a, act Apr. 24, 1944, ch. 177, § 1, 58 Stat. 215, related to bond for registers.

Section 79b, act Apr. 24, 1944, ch. 177, § 2, 58 Stat. 215, related to compensation for registers.

§ 79c. Payment of fees, commissions, etc.; deposit in Treasury

No provision of this Act shall relieve any public land applicant or claimant from the necessity of making payment of fees, commissions, or other moneys required by law or regulation. Commencing sixty days after April 24, 1944, the officials of district land offices shall not receive any compensation based on fees, commissions, or other receipts and all amounts collected by them shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States.

(Apr. 24, 1944, ch. 177, § 3, 58 Stat. 215; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in text, is act Apr. 24, 1944, ch. 177, 58 Stat. 215, as amended, which enacted sections 79a to 79c of this title, repealed sections 80 and 80a of this title, and enacted provisions set out as notes under this section. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

REPEALS

Act Apr. 24, 1944, ch. 177, § 4, 58 Stat. 215, provided that: "Sections 2237 and 2240 of the Revised Statutes and the act of May 21, 1928 (45 Stat. 684; 43 U.S.C., sec. 80), as amended [sections 80 and 80a of this title], are hereby repealed, and all other provisions of law inconsistent with this Act [See References in Text note above] are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency."

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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Words "officials of district land offices" substituted for "registers" on authority of section 403 of Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1946. See note set out under section 1 of this title.

EXTENSION TO ALASKA

Act Apr. 24, 1944, ch. 177, § 5, 58 Stat. 215, provided that the provisions of such Act [see References in Text note above] would not extend to the territory of Alaska.

§ 79d. Alaska land claimant liable for fees, commissions or purchase money; deposit in Treasury

No provision of this Act shall relieve any public land claimant from the necessity of making payment of fees, commissions, or purchase money required by law or regulation in connection with an application, selection, location, or lease of public lands in Alaska, and all such payments, when made, shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States.

(Oct. 9, 1942, ch. 584, § 5, 56 Stat. 779.)