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AN ACT

To extend the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of subsection (a) of section 717 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out "June 30, 1956" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1958". Defense Production Act of 1950, amendments. 65 Stat. 144; 64 Stat. 822.

SEC. 2. Subsection (b) of section 303 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out "June 30, 1963" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1965". 50 USC app. 2166. 50 USC app. 2093.

SEC. 3. Section 712 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection: 50 USC app. 2162.

"(f) The Secretary of Commerce shall make a special investigation and study of the production, allocation, distribution, use of nickel, of its resale as scrap, and of other aspects of the current situation with respect to supply and marketing of nickel, with particular attention to, among other things, the adequacy of the present system of nickel allocation between defense and civilian users. The Secretary of Commerce shall consult with the Joint Committee on Defense Production during the course of such investigation and study with respect to the progress achieved and the results of the investigation and study, and shall make an interim report on the results of the investigation and study on or before August 15, 1956, and shall, on or before December 31, 1956, make a final report on the results of such investigation and study, together with such recommendations as the Secretary of Commerce deems advisable. Such reports shall be made to the Senate (or to the Secretary of the Senate if the Senate is not in session) and to the House of Representatives (or to the Clerk of the House of Representatives if the House is not in session)." Nickel. Report to Congress.

SEC. 4. Section 2 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraph: 50 USC app. 2062.

"In order to insure productive capacity in the event of such an attack on the United States, it is the policy of the Congress to encourage the geographical dispersal of the industrial facilities of the United States in the interest of the national defense, and to discourage the concentration of such productive facilities within limited geographical areas which are vulnerable to attack by an enemy of the United States. In the construction of any Government-owned industrial facilities, in the rendition of any Government financial assistance for the construction, expansion, or improvement of any industrial facilities, and in the procurement of goods and services, under this or any other Act, each department and agency of the Executive Branch shall apply, under the coordination of the Office of Defense Mobilization, when practicable and consistent with existing law and the desirability for maintaining a sound economy, the principle of the geographical dispersal of such facilities in the interest of national defense. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall preclude the use of existing industrial facilities." Dispersal of industrial facilities. 70 Stat. 408. 70 Stat. 409.