

85TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1864

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 12, 1957

Mr. O'MAHONEY (for himself and Mr. WILEY) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That (a) the first sentence of the first paragraph of section
4 3 of title 35 of the United States Code is amended by strik-
5 ing out the word "nine" and inserting in lieu thereof the
6 words "not more than fifteen."

7 (b) The fourth sentence of such paragraph is repealed.

8 (c) Such section is amended by inserting therein, im-

1 mediate after the first paragraph thereof, the following
2 new paragraph:

3 "The annual basic rate of compensation of the Com-
4 missioner shall be \$20,500; that of the first assistant com-
5 missioner shall be \$20,000; and that of each assistant com-
6 missioner shall be \$19,500. The Commissioner is author-
7 ized, without regard to the provisions of the Classification
8 Act of 1949, as amended, to fix the annual rates of basic
9 compensation of the examiners-in-chief at rates not exceed-
10 ing the maximum rate now or hereafter prescribed by law
11 for employees of the classes described in the first section of
12 the Act entitled 'An Act to authorize the creation of addi-
13 tional positions in the professional and scientific service in
14 the War and Navy Departments,' approved August 1, 1947
15 (61 Stat. 715), as amended. The Commissioner is author-
16 ized, in accordance with the civil service laws and the Clas-
17 sification Act of 1949, as amended, to appoint, fix the com-
18 pensation, and prescribe the powers and duties of all other
19 officers and employees of the Patent Office."

20 SEC. 2. Section 7 of title 35 of the United States Code
21 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
22 sentence: "The Commissioner is authorized, without regard
23 to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, to fix the
24 annual rate of basic compensation of any acting examiner-

1 in-chief who is designated under this paragraph to serve as
2 an examiner-in-chief at any rate not in excess of that
3 authorized by law for examiners-in-chief while such acting
4 examiner-in-chief is so serving.”

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