

SEC. 5. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved. Amendment.
 Approved, April 24, 1906.

CHAP. 1864.—An Act To authorize the construction of two bridges across the Cumberland River at or near Nashville, Tennessee.

April 24, 1906.
 [H. R. 14592.]

[Public, No. 125.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county of Davidson, in the State of Tennessee, be, and it is hereby, authorized and empowered to build and maintain two highway bridges across the Cumberland River, in or near the city of Nashville, State of Tennessee, for the use of the public as highways, free of any tolls, and they are hereby declared post routes, upon which no charge shall be made for the transportation over the same of the mails, troops, and munitions of war of the United States; and said bridges shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of other post routes in the United States; and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridges and their approaches for postal, telegraph, and telephone purposes; and equal privileges in the use of said bridges shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies: *Provided,* That nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to repeal or modify any of the provisions of law now existing in reference to the protection of the navigation of rivers or to exempt said bridges from the operation of the same.

Cumberland River, Davidson County may bridge, at Nashville, Tenn.

Free bridges.

Telegraph, etc., rights.

Proviso. Existing laws not affected.

SEC. 2. That said bridges shall be built with unbroken and continuous spans, in no case less than ninety feet above low water pool level in the Cumberland River, nor shall any of the spans in the waterway be less than three hundred feet in the clear between the piers, or the piers and the abutments, and the piers of said bridges shall be parallel with the current of said river.

Continuous spans.

SEC. 3. That said bridges shall be constructed and maintained without any unreasonable interference with the security and convenience of navigation of said river; and to secure that object the said county shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, designs and drawings of the proposed bridges, and a map of the proposed location of each bridge, giving for the space of one mile above and one mile below the proposed sites the topography of the banks of said river, the shore lines at high and low water, the direction and strength of the current at high and low water stages, with the soundings accurately showing the bed of the stream, the location of any other bridge or bridges, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for the full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and until the said plans and locations of said bridges are approved by the Secretary of War said bridges shall not be commenced or built; and no changes shall be made in said bridges, before or after completion, unless approved by the Secretary of War; and any changes which the Secretary of War may at any time deem necessary and order, in the interest of navigation, shall be made by the owners of the bridges at their own expense; and there shall be displayed on said bridges by the owners thereof, at their own expense, from sunset to sunrise, such lights or other signals as the Light-House Board may prescribe.

Unobstructed navigation.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Changes.

Lights, etc.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridges herein authorized is not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the passage of this Act.

Time of construction.

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Vessels in domestic
commerce.
Consolidation of
enrollments and li-
censes.

R. S., secs. 4319, 4321,
pp. 834, 835.

Renewal of licenses.
R. S., sec. 4325, p. 836,
amended.

If absent at time of
expiration.
Surrender, in case of
change of build, own-
ership, etc.

Penalty on failure
to deliver license.

Compensation of
customs officers not
affected.

Effect.

CHAP. 1865.—An Act To simplify the issue of enrollments and licenses of ves-
sels of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That under the direction of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed from time to time to consolidate into one document in the case of any vessel of the United States of twenty net register tons or over, the form of enrollment prescribed by section forty-three hundred and nineteen of the Revised Statutes and the form of license prescribed by section forty-three hundred and twenty-one of the Revised Statutes, and such consolidated form shall hereafter be issued to a vessel of the United States in lieu of the separate enrollment and license, now prescribed by law, and shall be deemed sufficient compliance with the requirements of laws relating to the subject.

SEC. 2. That section forty-three hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read:

“SEC. 4325. The license granted to any vessel shall be presented for renewal by endorsement to the collector of customs of the district in which the vessel then may be within three days after the expiration of the time for which it was granted, or, if she be absent at that time, within three days from her first arrival within a district. In case of change of build, ownership, district, trade, or arrival under temporary papers in the district where she belongs the license shall be surrendered. If the master shall fail to deliver the license he shall be liable to a penalty of ten dollars, which shall not be mitigated.”

SEC. 3. That this Act shall not be construed to amend any law now in force concerning the compensation of officers of the customs for service connected with the enrollment and license of vessels.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall take effect on and after January first, nineteen hundred and seven.

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[S. 4925.]

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Saint Marys River.
Anchorage, etc., of
vessels in.
Vol. 29, p. 54, amend-
ed.

Secretary of Com-
merce and Labor to
prescribe rules, etc.

Detail of revenue
cutters.

Penalty modified.
Vol. 29, p. 55, amend-
ed.

Provisos.
Remission of fine.
Rules to prevent col-
lisions not affected.
Vol. 28, p. 645.

CHAP. 1874.—An Act To amend the Act approved March sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, relating to the anchorage and movements of vessels in Saint Marys River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section one of the Act approved March sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, entitled “An Act relating to the anchorage and movements of vessels in Saint Marys River” be, and hereby is, amended to read as follows:

“That the Secretary of Commerce and Labor be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to adopt and prescribe suitable rules and regulations governing the movements and anchorage of vessels and rafts in Saint Marys River from Point Iroquois, on Lake Superior, to Point Detour, on Lake Huron, and for the purpose of enforcing the observance of such regulations the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to detail one or more revenue cutters for duty upon the request of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor on said river.”

SEC. 2. That section three of the Act of March sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, aforesaid, be, and hereby is, amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 3. That in the event of the violation of any such regulations or rules of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor by the owners, master, or person in charge of such vessel, such owners, masters, or person in charge shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Commerce and Labor may remit said fine on such terms as he may prescribe: *Provided also*, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to amend or repeal the Act