

Consulates to be supplied with documentary stamps

SEC. 10. That every consular officer shall be provided and kept supplied with adhesive official stamps, on which shall be printed the equivalent money value of denominations and to amounts to be determined by the Department of State, and shall account quarterly to the Department of State for the use of such stamps and for such of them as shall remain in his hands.

To be affixed to documents requiring notarial, etc., acts.

Whenever a consular officer is required or finds it necessary to perform any consular or notarial act he shall prepare and deliver to the party or parties at whose instance such act is performed a suitable and appropriate document as prescribed in the consular regulations and affix thereto and duly cancel an adhesive stamp or stamps of the denomination or denominations equivalent to the fee prescribed for such consular or notarial act, and no such act shall be legally valid within the jurisdiction of the Government of the United States unless such stamp or stamps is or are affixed and canceled.

Unstamped documents invalid.

In effect June 30, 1906.

SEC. 11. That this Act shall take effect on the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and six.

Inconsistent laws repealed.

SEC. 12. That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, April 5, 1906.

April 5, 1906.  
[H. R. 14803.]

CHAP. 1367.—An Act Authorizing the Choctawhatchee Power Company to erect a dam in Dale County, Alabama.

[Public, No. 84.]

Choctawhatchee River.  
Choctawhatchee Power Company may dam, near Newton, Ala.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Choctawhatchee Power Company, its successors and assigns, be, and is hereby, authorized to erect, build, have, and maintain a steel and concrete dam, or dam of other material, on the Choctawhatchee River at a point above the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad bridge near Newton, on said river and in Dale County, Alabama: Provided, That the plans of said dam shall be submitted to and be approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War before construction is commenced; and the Secretary of War may at any time require and enforce, at the expense of the owners, such modifications in the construction of said dam as he may deem advisable in the interests of navigation: Provided further, That there shall be placed and maintained in connection with said dam a sluiceway so arranged as to permit logs, timber, and lumber to pass around, through, or over said dam without unreasonable delay or hindrance and without toll or charges; and suitable fishways, to be approved by the United States Fish Commission, shall be constructed and maintained on said dam.*

Provisos.  
Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Sluiceway.

Fishways.

Time of completion.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall be null and void unless the dam herein authorized is commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date hereof.

Amendment.

SEC. 3. That the right to amend or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, April 5, 1906.

April 5, 1906.  
[H. R. 16671.]

CHAP. 1368.—An Act Permitting the building of a dam across the Saint Joseph River near the village of Berrien Springs, Berrien County, Michigan.

[Public, No. 85.]

Saint Joseph River, Mich.  
Berrien Springs Power and Electric Company may dam.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the Berrien Springs Power and Electric Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Michigan, its successors and assigns, to construct, erect, and maintain a dam across*

the Saint Joseph River, in Berrien County, in the State of Michigan, at any point within two miles south of the highway bridge at Berrien Springs, together with all necessary works appurtenant thereto: *Provided*, That the plans of said dam shall be submitted to and be approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War before construction is commenced; and the Secretary of War may at any time require and enforce, at the expense of the owners, such modifications in the construction of said dam as he may deem advisable in the interest of navigation: *Provided further*, That there shall be placed and maintained in connection with said dam a sluiceway so arranged as to permit logs, timber, and lumber to pass around, through, or over said dam without unreasonable delay or hindrance and without toll or charges, and suitable gates, weirs, and sluices shall be provided in said dam and shall be so operated as to furnish at all times the flow of water necessary for the navigation of the Saint Joseph River below Berrien Springs; and suitable fishways, to be approved by the United States Fish Commission, shall be constructed and maintained on said dam.

Location.  
*Provisos.*  
 Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Sluiceway.

Fishways.

SEC. 2. That before the construction of said dam shall be begun, the permission of the board of supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, shall be obtained thereto, and compensation shall be made for all property taken or damages thereby occasioned according to the laws of the State of Michigan.

Damages.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be null and void unless the dam herein authorized is commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date hereof.

Time of construction.

SEC. 4. That the right to amend or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, April 5, 1906.

**CHAP. 1369.**—An Act To provide for the construction of a bridge across Rainy River, in the State of Minnesota.

April 6, 1906.  
 [S. 4825.]  
 [Public, No. 86.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Rainy River Bridge Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota, its successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Rainy River at a point known as Pether's Point, on lot one, in section twenty-five, in township seventy-one north, range twenty-four west, in the county of Itasca, in the State of Minnesota, to a point on the opposite side of the river in the Province of Ontario, being at or near the head of Rainy River where it joins with Rainy Lake, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Rainy River.  
 Rainy River Bridge Company may bridge, at Pether's Point, Minn.

*Ante*, p. 84.

SEC. 2. That the bridge hereby authorized shall be a railroad bridge, and may be constructed and used for any and all other lawful purposes.

Railroad bridge.

SEC. 3. That it shall be competent for said Rainy River Bridge Company, being otherwise duly authorized, so far as necessary, to construct and operate all parts and approaches of the bridge hereby authorized, including those parts and approaches of said bridge which shall lie within the jurisdiction of the Dominion of Canada, or it may construct and operate that portion of said bridge herein authorized which shall lie within the jurisdiction of the United States and join the same to the portion thereof which shall lie within the jurisdiction of said Dominion of Canada and be constructed and operated by any other corporation or company authorized to construct and operate

Construction and operation of bridge.