

entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, November 19, 1919.

Construction.
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Amendment.

CHAP. 116.—An Act To provide for the reimbursement of the United States for motive power, cars, and other equipment ordered for railroads and systems of transportation under Federal control, and for other purposes.

November 19, 1919.
[S. 3319.]

[Public, No. 89.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to make provision for the reimbursement of the United States for the sums advanced to provide motive power, cars, and other equipment ordered by the President for the railroads and systems of transportation now under Federal control, herein called "carriers," pursuant to the authority conferred by the second paragraph of section 6 of the Act of March 21, 1918, the President may, upon such terms as he shall deem advisable, receive in reimbursement cash, or obligations of any carrier, or part cash and part such obligations, or in his discretion he may accept for such motive power, cars, or other equipment, cash or the shares of stock or obligations, secured or unsecured, of any corporation not a carrier organized for the purpose of owning equipment or equipment obligations, or part cash and part such shares of stock and obligations, and he may transfer to such corporation any obligations of carriers received on account of motive power, cars, or other equipment, and he may execute any instruments necessary and proper to carry out the intent of the second paragraph of section 6 of said Act of March 21, 1918, to the end that title to the motive power, cars, and other equipment so ordered by the President as aforesaid for the carriers may rest in them or their trustees or nominees.

Federal railroad control.
Reimbursement of advances to carriers for motive power, cars, etc., furnished during.

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Mode of payment.

Acceptance of equipment trust securities, etc.

Title transferred.

In addition to the powers herein and heretofore conferred, the President is further authorized to dispose, in the manner and for the consideration aforesaid, of motive power, cars, and other equipment, if any, provided by him in accordance with any other provisions of said section, and of any obligations of carriers that may be received in reimbursement of the cost thereof.

Disposal of cars, etc., furnished to carriers.

SEC. 2. That any contract for the sale of any motive power, cars, or other equipment ordered or provided under any of the provisions of section 6 of said Act of March 21, 1918, may provide that title thereto, notwithstanding delivery of possession, shall not vest in the carrier until the purchase price, which may be payable in installments during any period not exceeding fifteen years, shall be fully paid and the conditions of purchase fully performed. Any such contract shall be in writing, and acknowledged or proved before some person authorized to administer oaths, and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission within sixty days after the delivery thereof, and shall be valid and enforceable as against all persons whomsoever.

Contracts for cars, etc., may provide for title not to vest until price fully paid.

Contract requirements.

SEC. 3. That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to abrogate or limit the powers conferred upon the President by said Act of March 21, 1918.

Powers of President not impaired.

SEC. 4. That the President may execute any of the powers herein granted through such agencies as he may determine.

Delegation of powers.

SEC. 5. That this Act is emergency legislation, enacted to meet conditions growing out of war and to effectuate said Act of March 21, 1918.

Emergency declared.

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[Public, No. 90.]

Connecticut River,
Hartford County,
Conn., may bridge,
Windsor Locks to East
Windsor.

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Amendment.

CHAP. 117.—An Act Authorizing the board of county commissioners of the county of Hartford, in the State of Connecticut, to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River, between Windsor Locks and East Windsor, at Warehouse Point, in said county and State.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That authority is hereby granted to the board of county commissioners of the county of Hartford, in the State of Connecticut, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Connecticut River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, one end of said bridge to be in the town of Windsor Locks and the other in the town of East Windsor, at the village of Warehouse Point, all in the county of Hartford, in the State of Connecticut, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

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[Public, No. 91.]

Machine tools.
Army surplus, may
be sold at reduced rates
to schools, etc.

Use of proceeds.

Proviso.
Restriction.

CHAP. 118.—An Act To provide for further educational facilities by authorizing the Secretary of War to sell at reduced rates certain machine tools not in use for Government purposes to trade, technical, and public schools and universities, other recognized educational institutions, 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 Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized, under such regulations as he may prescribe, to sell at 15 per centum of their cost to trade, technical, and public schools and universities, and other recognized educational institutions, upon application in writing, such machine tools as are suitable for their use which are now owned by the United States of America and are under the control of the War Department and are not needed for Government purposes. The money realized from the sale may be used by the Secretary of War to defray expenses, except cost of transportation, incident to distribution of the tools, and the balance shall be turned into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts: *Provided,* That in the event any such material is offered for sale by said institutions without the consent in writing of the Secretary of War, title thereto shall revert to the United States.

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[H. R. 6951.]

[Public, No. 92.]

Postal service.
Perishable fourth
class matter may be
forwarded to new ad-
dress or returned to
sender.
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Provisos.
Undeliverable sec-
ond, third, and fourth
class mail may be for-
warded to new address
or returned.

Pledge required.

CHAP. 119.—An Act Authorizing the return to the sender or the forwarding of undeliverable second, third, and fourth class mail matter.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter, under such regulations as the Postmaster General may prescribe, fourth-class matter of obvious value which is of a perishable nature may be forwarded to the addressee at another post office charged with the amount of the forwarding postage, and when such matter of a perishable nature is undeliverable to the addressee it may be returned to the sender charged with the return postage: *Provided,* That other undeliverable matter of the second, third, and fourth classes may be forwarded to the addressee or to such other person as the sender may direct, at another post office, charged with the amount of the forwarding postage, or it may be returned to the sender charged with the return postage, when it bears the sender's pledge that the postage for forwarding and return will be paid, such postage to be collected