

District of Oklahoma shall be held at Tulsa on the first Monday in January, at Vinita on the first Monday in March, at Pawhuska on the first Monday in May, at Miami on the first Monday in November, and at Bartlesville on the first Monday in June in each year: *Provided*, That suitable rooms and accommodations for holding court at Pawhuska, Miami, and Bartlesville are furnished free of expense to the United States.

Provided.
Rooms at Pawhuska,
Miami, and Bartles-
ville.

The eastern district of Oklahoma shall include the territory embraced on the 1st day of January, 1925, in the counties of Adair, Atoka, Bryan, Cherokee, Choctaw, Coal, Carter, Garvin, Grady, Haskell, Hughes, Johnston, Jefferson, Latimer, Le Flore, Love, McClain, Muskogee, McIntosh, McCurtain, Murray, Marshall, Okmulgee, Pittsburg, Pushmataha, Pontotoc, Seminole, Stephens, Sequoyah, and Wagoner. Terms of the district court for the eastern district shall be held at Muskogee on the first Monday in January, at Ada on the first Monday in March, at Okmulgee on the first Monday in April, at Hugo on the second Monday in May, at South McAlester on the first Monday in June, at Ardmore on the first Monday in October, at Chickasha on the first Monday in November, at Poteau on the first Monday in December in each year, and annually at Pauls Valley at such times as may be fixed by the judge of the eastern district: *Provided*, That suitable rooms and accommodations for holding said court at Hugo, Poteau, Ada, Okmulgee, and Pauls Valley are furnished free of expense to the United States.

Eastern district.

Terms of court.

Provided.
Rooms at Hugo, Po-
teau, Ada, Okmulgee,
and Pauls Valley.

The western district of Oklahoma shall include the territory embraced in the 1st day of January, 1925, in the counties of Alfalfa, Beaver, Beckham, Blaine, Caddo, Canadian, Cimarron, Cleveland, Comanche, Cotton, Custer, Dewey, Ellis, Garfield, Grant, Greer, Harmon, Harper, Jackson, Kay, Kingfisher, Kiowa, Lincoln, Logan, Major, Noble, Oklahoma, Payne, Pottawatomie, Roger Mills, Texas, Tillman, Washita, Woods, and Woodward. The terms of the district court for the western district shall be held at Oklahoma City on the first Monday in January, at Enid on the first Monday of March, at Guthrie on the first Monday of May, at Mangum on the first Monday of September, at Lawton on the first Monday of October, and at Woodward on the first Monday of November: *Provided*, That suitable rooms and accommodations for holding court at Mangum are furnished free of expense to the United States: *And provided further*, That the district judge of said district, or in his absence a district judge or a circuit judge assigned to hold court in said district, may postpone or adjourn to a day certain any of said terms by order made in chambers at any other place designated as aforesaid for holding court in said district.

Western district.

Terms of court.

Provided.
Rooms at Mangum.

Adjournment, etc., of
terms.

The clerk of the district court for the northern district shall keep his office at Tulsa; the clerk of the district court for the eastern district shall keep his office at Muskogee and shall maintain an office in charge of a deputy at Ardmore; the clerk for the western district shall keep his office at Guthrie and shall maintain an office in charge of himself or his deputy at Oklahoma City.

Offices of clerks.

Approved, May 7, 1926.

CHAP. 256.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the Weirton Bridge and Development Company for the construction of a bridge across the Ohio River near Steubenville, Ohio.

May 7, 1926.
[H. R. 9348.]
[Public, No. 192.]

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 Weirton Bridge and Development Company, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain,

Ohio River.
Weirton Bridge and
Development Com-
pany may bridge, Steu-
benville, Ohio, to Weir-
ton, W. Va.

- Construction.
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- Right to acquire real estate, etc., for approaches, etc.
- Condemnation proceedings.
- Tolls authorized.
- Ohio or West Virginia may acquire, after completion.
Post, p. 1236.
- Compensation if acquired by condemnation.
- Limitation.
- Operation by State, etc., as toll bridge.
- Maintenance after amortization of costs.
- Record of expenditures and receipts.
- and operate a toll bridge and approaches thereto across the Ohio River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation between a point near the north city limits of Steubenville, Ohio, and a point opposite near Weirton, West Virginia, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 13, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.
- SEC. 2. There is hereby conferred upon the Weirton Bridge and Development Company, its successors and assigns, all such rights and powers to enter upon lands and to acquire, condemn, occupy, possess, and use real estate and other property needed for the location, construction, operation, and maintenance of such bridge and its approaches, as are possessed by railroad corporations for railroad purposes or by bridge corporations for bridge purposes in the State in which such land or property is situated, upon making just compensation therefor to be ascertained and paid according to the laws of such State, and the proceedings therefor may be had in any court of competent jurisdiction in such State.
- SEC. 3. The said Weirton Bridge and Development Company, its successors and assigns, is hereby authorized to fix and charge tolls for transit over such bridge, and the rates of toll so fixed shall be the legal rates until changed by the Secretary of War under the authority contained in the Act of March 23, 1906.
- SEC. 4. After the completion of such bridge the State of Ohio or the State of West Virginia, or any political subdivision or subdivisions thereof within or adjoining which such bridge is located, may at any time jointly or severally acquire and take over all right, title, and interest in such bridge and its approaches, and any interest in real estate necessary therefor, by purchase or by condemnation in accordance with the laws of either of such States governing the acquisition of private property for public purposes by condemnation. If at any time after the expiration of twenty years after the completion of such bridge the same is acquired by condemnation, the amount of damages or compensation to be allowed shall not include good will, going value, or prospective revenues or profits, but shall be limited to the sum of (1) the actual cost of constructing such bridge and its approaches, less a reasonable deduction for actual depreciation in value, (2) the actual cost of acquiring such interests in real property, (3) actual financing and promotion cost, not to exceed 10 per centum of all other cost of constructing the bridge and its approaches and acquiring such interest in real property, and (4) actual expenditures for necessary improvements.
- SEC. 5. If such bridge shall at any time be taken over or acquired as provided in section 4 of this Act and if tolls are charged for the use thereof, in fixing the rates of toll to be charged the same shall be so adjusted as to provide as far as possible a sufficient fund to pay for the cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the amount paid for such bridge and its approaches within a period of not to exceed twenty years from the date of acquiring the same. After a sinking fund sufficient to pay the cost of acquiring the bridge and its approaches, and any interest that shall accrue on money borrowed for that purpose, shall have been provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls, or the rates of toll shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund of not to exceed the amount necessary for the proper care, maintenance, and operation of the bridge and its approaches. An accurate record of the amount paid for acquiring the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for operating, repairing, and maintaining the same, and of the daily

tolls collected shall be kept, and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

SEC. 6. The Weirton Bridge and Development Company, its successors and assigns, shall immediately after the completion of such bridge file with the Secretary of War a sworn itemized statement showing the actual original cost of constructing such bridge and its approaches, the actual cost of acquiring any interest in real estate necessary therefor, and the actual financing and promotion cost. The Secretary of War may, at any time within three years after the completion of such bridge, investigate the cost of constructing the same, and for such purpose the said Weirton Bridge and Development Company, its successors and assigns, shall make available all of its records in connection with the financing and the construction thereof. The findings of the Secretary of War as to the cost of the bridge shall be conclusive, subject to review in a court of equity for fraud or gross mistake.

Sworn statement of costs to be submitted after completion.

Investigation by Secretary of War.

Findings of Secretary conclusive.

SEC. 7. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Act is hereby granted to the Weirton Bridge and Development Company, its successors and assigns, and any corporation to which or any person to whom such rights, powers, and privileges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or who shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such corporation or person.

Authority to sell, etc., conferred.

SEC. 8. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, May 7, 1926.

CHAP. 257.—An Act To extend the time for the construction of a bridge across Rock River at the city of Beloit, county of Rock, State of Wisconsin.

May 7, 1926.
[H. R. 9393.]
[Public, No. 193.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge authorized by Act of Congress approved February 17, 1925, to be built by the city of Beloit, Wisconsin, across Rock River, at or near Portland Avenue in said city of Beloit, are hereby extended one and three years, respectively, from date of approval hereof.

Rock River.
Time extended for bridging, by Beloit, Wis.
Vol. 43, p. 949, amended.

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

Amendment.

Approved, May 7, 1926.

CHAP. 258.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the highway department of the State of Minnesota to reconstruct a bridge across the Mississippi River between the city of Anoka, in Anoka County, and Champlin, in Hennepin County, Minnesota.

May 7, 1926.
[H. R. 9460.]
[Public, No. 194.]

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 highway department of the State of Minnesota, and its successors and assigns, to reconstruct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Mississippi River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at a point between the city of Anoka, in the county of Anoka, and the village of Champlin, in the county of Hennepin, in the State of Minnesota, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled

Mississippi River.
Time extended for bridging, between Anoka and Champlin, Minn.
Post, p. 1416.