

## [CHAPTER 39.]

## AN ACT

February 11, 1932.

[S. 9.]

[Public, No. 28.]

Respecting the qualifications of the assessor of the District of Columbia to testify in condemnation proceedings.

District of Columbia.  
Competency of assessor of, to testify in condemnation proceedings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in any action for the condemnation of lands in the District of Columbia the assessor of the District shall not be disqualified, by reason of the fact that he holds the office of assessor, from testifying as an expert witness to the market value of such lands, and as to benefits.

Approved, February 11, 1932.

## [CHAPTER 40.]

## AN ACT

February 11, 1932.

[S. 2077.]

[Public, No. 29.]

To relieve the Commissioners of the District of Columbia of certain ministerial duties.

District of Columbia.  
Authority of secretary of Commissioners to perform certain ministerial duties.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That on and after the passage of this Act it shall be lawful for the secretary of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, or in his absence or upon his inability to act, such person as said commissioners may designate, when so directed by said commissioners, to execute in the name of the District of Columbia or of said board, by attaching thereto his signature as such secretary and affixing when requisite the seal of said District, any deed, contract, pleading, lease, release, regulation, notice, or other paper, which heretofore said commissioners were required to execute by subscribing thereto their respective signatures: *Provided,* That prior to such signing, and sealing if requisite, said deed, contract, pleading, lease, release, regulation, notice, or other paper shall first have been considered and approved by said board of commissioners, or a majority of them, sitting as a board, and evidence of such consideration and approval shall be reduced to writing and recorded in the minutes of said board of commissioners, which minutes shall thereafter be signed by the members of said board of commissioners or a majority thereof.

Approved, February 11, 1932.

*Provided.*  
Approval of Commissioners requisite.

## [CHAPTER 41.]

## AN ACT

February 11, 1932.

[H. R. 140.]

[Public, No. 30.]

To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Columbia River at or near The Dalles, Oregon.

Columbia River.  
Time extended for bridging, at The Dalles, Oreg.

*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 across the Columbia River at or near The Dalles, Oregon, authorized to be built by Dalles City, by an Act of Congress approved February 20, 1931, are hereby extended one and three years, respectively, from February 20, 1932.

Vol. 46, p. 1193.  
Post, p. 806.

Amendment.

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

Approved, February 11, 1932.

## [CHAPTER 42.]

## AN ACT

Authorizing the modification of the existing project for the Willamette River between Oregon City and Portland, Oregon.

February 11, 1932.  
[H. R. 7248.]  
[Public, No. 31.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the project for the improvement of the Willamette River between Oregon City and Portland, Oregon, authorized by the River and Harbor Act approved July 3, 1930, is hereby modified in accordance with the recommendation of the Chief of Engineers in the report submitted in House Document Numbered 748, Seventy-first Congress, third session.

Willamette River.  
Modification of project for improving, between Oregon City and Portland, Oreg.  
Vol. 46, p. 832.

Approved, February 11, 1932.

## [CHAPTER 43.]

## AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of War to reduce the penalty of the bond of the Brazos River Harbor Navigation District, of Brazoria County, Texas, furnished as surety for its doing certain work on the improvement of Freeport Harbor, Texas.

February 11, 1932.  
[S. 2278.]  
[Public, No. 32.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War, may, in his discretion, reduce the penalty of the bond executed April 27, 1928, by the Brazos River Harbor Navigation District, of Brazoria County, Texas, as principal and the National Surety Company as surety, to insure the payment of the sum of \$861,000 to such amount as in his opinion will cover any further contribution which may be required from the said Brazos River Harbor Navigation District in connection with the project for improvement of Freeport Harbor, Texas, authorized by the River and Harbor Act of March 3, 1925: *Provided,* That whenever the Secretary of War is satisfied that the said project has been completed and the works have become so stabilized that no further expenditures will be necessary other than normal maintenance, he may cancel said bond and release the said principal and surety from any obligation thereunder.

Freeport Harbor, Texas.  
Reduction of penalty bond, for improvement of, authorized.

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*Proviso.*  
Cancellation of bond.

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## [CHAPTER 45.]

## AN ACT

Providing for payment of \$25 to each enrolled Chippewa Indian of Minnesota from the funds standing to their credit in the Treasury of the United States.

February 12, 1932.  
[H. R. 225.]  
[Public, No. 33.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to withdraw from the Treasury so much as may be necessary of the principal fund on deposit to the credit of the Chippewa Indians in the State of Minnesota, under section 7 of the Act entitled "An Act for the relief and civilization of the Chippewa Indians in the State of Minnesota," approved January 14, 1889, as amended, and to make therefrom payment of \$25 to each enrolled Chippewa Indian of Minnesota, under such regulations as such Secretary shall prescribe. No payment shall be made under this Act until the Chippewa Indians of Minnesota shall, in such manner as such Secretary shall prescribe, have accepted such payments and ratified the provisions of this Act. The money paid to the Indians under this Act shall not be subject to any lien or claim of whatever nature against any of said Indians.

Chippewa Indians, Minn.  
Payment to enrolled members of, authorized.

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Ratification, etc., by Indians.

Payments exempt from liens, etc.

Approved, February 12, 1932.