

The term "bale", when used in sections 3, 5, 7, and 8 to describe a quantity of cotton, means five hundred pounds of lint cotton.

"Bale."

SEC. 24. The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to develop new and extended uses for cotton, and for such purpose there is authorized to be made available to the Secretary not to exceed \$500,000 out of the funds available to him under section 12 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act.

Studies in developing new, etc., uses for cotton.  
Sum available for.  
*Ante*, p. 38.

Approved, April 21, 1934.

[CHAPTER 158.]

AN ACT

To revive and reenact the Act entitled "An Act granting the consent of Congress to Meridian and Bigbee River Railway Company to construct, maintain, and operate a railroad bridge across the Tombigbee River at or near Naheola, Alabama", approved January 15, 1927.

April 23, 1934.  
[S. 3296.]  
[Public, No. 170.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Act approved January 15, 1927, granting the consent of Congress to the Meridian and Bigbee River Railway Company to construct, maintain, and operate a railroad bridge across the Tombigbee River at or near Naheola, Alabama, be, and the same is hereby, revived and reenacted: *Provided*, That this Act shall be null and void unless the actual construction of the bridge herein referred to be commenced within two years and completed within four years from the date of approval hereof.

Tombigbee River. Act granting consent to bridge, at Naheola, Ala., revived.  
Vol. 44, p. 975, amended.

*Proviso.*  
Time limitation.

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

Amendment.

Approved, April 23, 1934.

[CHAPTER 159.]

AN ACT

To authorize payment for the purchase of, or to reimburse States or local levee districts for the cost of, levee rights-of-way for flood-control work in the Mississippi Valley, and for other purposes.

April 23, 1934.  
[H. R. 8018.]  
[Public, No. 171.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of War is authorized, out of any money available for carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act for the control of floods on the Mississippi River and its tributaries, and for other purposes", approved May 15, 1928, to purchase from, or to reimburse States or local levee districts for the cost of, any levee rights-of-way or easements for the building of levees in the Mississippi Valley for which the United States was or is under obligation to pay under the provisions of the Act of May 15, 1928, regardless of whether said States or local levee districts have furnished such rights-of-way in the past and regardless of the conditions under which such levee rights-of-way were furnished, or may be furnished in the future: *Provided*, That after careful investigation the prices are found to be reasonable: *And provided further*, That payments or reimbursements for levee rights-of-way or easements conveying the privilege of building levees may be made as soon as they have been acquired in conformity with local custom or legal procedure in such matters and to the satisfaction of the Chief of Engineers.

Mississippi Valley flood control. Payment authorized for purchase of, or to reimburse States, etc., for cost of levee rights-of-way.  
Vol. 45, p. 537.

Past and future cases.

*Provisos.*  
Prices to be reasonable.

Payments, etc., as soon as privilege acquired.

Approved, April 23, 1934.