

[CHAPTER 194.]

AN ACT

Authorizing the city of East Saint Louis, Illinois, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Mississippi River at or near a point between Morgan and Wash Streets in the city of Saint Louis, Missouri, and a point opposite thereto in the city of East Saint Louis, Illinois.

May 3, 1934.
[H. R. 7803.]
[Public, No. 197.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to facilitate interstate commerce, improve the postal service, and provide for military and other purposes, the city of East Saint Louis, Illinois, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Mississippi River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near a point between Morgan and Wash Streets in the city of Saint Louis, Missouri, and a point opposite thereto in the city of East Saint Louis, Illinois, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

Mississippi River.
East Saint Louis, Ill.,
may bridge, to Saint
Louis, Mo.

Construction.
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SEC. 2. There is hereby conferred upon the city of East Saint Louis, Illinois, all such rights and powers to enter upon land and to acquire, condemn, occupy, possess, and use real estate and other property needed for the location, construction, maintenance, and operation 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 real estate or other property is situated, upon making just compensation therefor, to be ascertained and paid according to the laws of such State, and the proceedings therefor shall be the same as in the condemnation or expropriation of property for public purposes in such State.

Right to acquire
realty, etc., for ap-
proaches, etc.

Condemnation pro-
ceedings.

SEC. 3. The said city of East Saint Louis, Illinois, 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.

Tolls authorized.

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SEC. 4. In fixing the rates of toll to be charged for the use of such bridge the same shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund sufficient to pay for the reasonable cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches under economical management, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the cost of such bridge and its approaches, including reasonable interest and financing cost, as soon as possible, under reasonable charges, but within a period not to exceed thirty years from the completion thereof. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls, or the rates of toll shall thereafter be so adjusted as to provide a fund of not to exceed the amount necessary for the proper maintenance, repair, and operation of the bridge and its approaches under economical management. An accurate record of the cost of the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, and of the daily tolls collected shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

Tolls to be applied to
operation, sinking fund,
etc.

Maintenance as free
bridge after amortizing
costs.

Record of expendi-
tures and receipts.

SEC. 5. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, May 3, 1934.

[CHAPTER 195.]

AN ACT

May 3, 1934.
[H.R. 8516.]
[Public, No. 198.]

Granting the consent of Congress to the Mississippi Highway Commission to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Pearl River in the State of Mississippi.

Pearl River.
Mississippi may
bridge at Carthage.

Construction.
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Amendment.

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 Mississippi Highway Commission to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Pearl River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Carthage, Leake County, Mississippi, 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.

Approved, May 3, 1934.

[CHAPTER 196.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

May 3, 1934.
[H.J.Res. 315.]
[Pub. Res., No. 22.]

Granting consent of Congress to an agreement or compact entered into by the State of New York with the Dominion of Canada for the establishment of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority with power to take over, maintain and operate the present highway bridge over the Niagara River between the city of Buffalo, New York, and the village of Fort Erie, Canada.

Buffalo-Ft. Erie
bridge.
Compact for estab-
lishing and operating
approved.
Vol. 41, p. 400; Vol. 43,
p. 355.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of the Congress of the United States be, and it is hereby, given to the State of New York to enter into the agreement or compact with the Dominion of Canada set forth in chapter 824 of the Laws of New York, 1933, and an act respecting the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority passed at the fifth session, Seventeenth Parliament, Dominion of Canada (24 George V 1934), assented to March 28, 1934, for the establishment of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority as a municipal corporate instrumentality of said State and with power to take over, maintain, and operate the present highway bridge over the Niagara River between the city of Buffalo, in the State of New York, and the village of Fort Erie, in the Dominion of Canada.

Approved, May 3, 1934.

[CHAPTER 210.]

AN ACT

May 4, 1934.
[H.R. 2828.]
[Public, No. 189.]

To authorize the city of Fernandina, Florida, under certain conditions, to dispose of a portion of the Amelia Island Lighthouse Reservation.

Amelia Island Light-
house Reservation.
Fernandina, Fla.,
may convey portion of,
under certain condi-
tions.
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Vol. 46, p. 1485.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the payment of \$1,000 by the city of Fernandina, Florida, to the Secretary of Commerce such city is authorized to convey, without regard to the conditions and limitations of paragraph (6) of section 1 and of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to dispose of certain lighthouse reservations, and and¹ to increase the efficiency of the Lighthouse Service, and for other purposes", approved May 22, 1926, and without regard to the conditions and limitations of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the city of Fernandina, Florida, under certain conditions, to dispose of a portion of the Amelia Island Lighthouse Reservation",

¹ So in original.