

March 31, 1906.  
[H. R. 125.]  
[Public, No. 76.]

**CHAP. 1356.**—An Act Regulating the retent on contracts with the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.  
Retent on contracts  
with, for repair pur-  
poses.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That on all contracts made by the District of Columbia for construction work there shall be held a retent of ten per centum of the cost of such construction work as a guaranty fund to keep the work done under such contracts in repair, and that the terms of such contracts shall be strictly and faithfully performed. On contracts for the construction of asphalt, tar, brick, cement, or stone pavements the retent shall be held for a term of five years from the date of completion of the contract. On contracts for the construction of bridges and sewers the retent shall be held for a term of one year from the date of completion of the contract. On contracts for the construction of buildings, and other contracts for construction work, the retent shall be held until the completion of the work. All retents for one year or more shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States as now required by law.

Pavements.

Bridges.

Buildings.

Deposit of retents.

Completed contracts  
for sewers, etc., in-  
cluded.  
*Post*, p. 929.

**SEC. 2.** That this Act shall cover and comprehend all contracts for the construction of bridges and sewers as herein specified, which are now completed by the contractors according to their contracts and accepted by the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

Repeal.

**SEC. 3.** That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

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March 31, 1906.  
[H. R. 4463.]  
[Public, No. 77.]

**CHAP. 1357.**—An Act To amend section two of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a sealer and assistant sealer of weights and measures in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes."

District of Columbia.  
Sealer of weights  
and measures.  
Vol. 28, p. 811,  
amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section two of the Act approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act for the appointment of a sealer and assistant sealer of weights and measures in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Bond may be guar-  
anteed by bonding  
company.

**"SEC. 2.** That the sealer of weights and measures shall give bond to the District of Columbia in the penalty of five thousand dollars, with two sureties or with the guaranty of a bonding company, to be approved by the Commissioners, conditioned on the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, and shall take and subscribe on oath or affirmation before the Commissioners that he will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his office, which bond or guaranty and oath shall be deposited with the Commissioners of the District of Columbia."

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March 31, 1906.  
[H. R. 4470.]  
[Public, No. 78.]

**CHAP. 1358.**—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a sealer and assistant sealer of weights and measures in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

District of Columbia.  
Sealer of weights  
and measures.  
Vol. 28, p. 813,  
amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section twelve of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a sealer and assistant sealer of weights and measures in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read:

Deliveries of coal  
and coke.

**"SEC. 12.** That no person shall sell, or deliver, any coal, or coke, within the limits of the District of Columbia unless at the time of the

delivery thereof to the person in charge of the wagon, cart, or other vehicle or conveyance used for and in the delivery thereof, a written or printed certificate duly signed by or for the seller, showing separately the actual weight of said coal, or coke, and the name of the purchaser thereof, and the weight of the said wagon, cart, or other vehicle or conveyance, and showing the total weight of said coal, coke, wagon, cart, other vehicle, or conveyance. And any person who shall violate or neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than forty dollars: *Provided*, That all prosecutions under this Act shall be brought in the police court of the District of Columbia on information filed by the corporation counsel or one of his assistants."

Certificates of weight of, etc., required.

Penalty for noncompliance.

*Proviso.*  
Prosecutions.

Approved, March 31, 1906.

**CHAP. 1359.**—An Act To amend an Act approved March first, nineteen hundred and five, entitled "An Act to amend section four of an Act entitled 'An Act relating to the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia,' approved February twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and one."

March 31, 1906.  
[H. R. 14813.]

[Public, No. 79.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That from and after the passage of this Act the provision of the Act approved March first, nineteen hundred and five, entitled "An Act to amend section four of an Act entitled 'An Act relating to the Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia,' approved February twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and one," for the relief, during widowhood, of dependent mothers of unmarried deceased members of said Metropolitan police force and of unmarried deceased members of the fire department of said District, shall include such mothers of any such deceased members of said police force and of said fire department who have died from injury or disease prior to March first, nineteen hundred and five.

District of Columbia. Pensions, police, etc. Vol. 33, p. 821, amended. Vol. 31, p. 820.

Pensions to dependent mothers.

Mothers of members who died prior to March 1, 1905, included.

Approved, March 31, 1906.

**CHAP. 1361.**—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across the Missouri River between Walworth and Dewey counties, in the State of South Dakota.

April 2, 1906.  
[S. 5184.]

[Public, No. 80.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Chicago, Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railway Company, its successors and assigns, be, and are hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a railroad bridge and approaches thereto across the Missouri River, extending from some convenient and practicable point to be selected on the east bank of said river in the county of Walworth to some convenient and practicable point on the west bank of said river in the county of Dewey, in the State of South Dakota.

Missouri River, S. Dak. Chicago, Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railway Company may bridge. Location.

SEC. 2. That the said bridge shall have two or more channel spans, located over the main channel of the river, and not less than three hundred and fifty feet in the clear between the piers at low water, and at not less elevation than fifty feet above standard high water to the lowest member of the said channel spans, nor shall any of the other spans over the waterway be less than three hundred feet in the clear between the piers at low water, and the piers of said bridge shall be substantially parallel to the current of the river at high water.

Construction of spans.

SEC. 3. That the bridge herein authorized shall be located and constructed under and subject to such regulations for the security of the navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and said company shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his approval,

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc