

held abandoned upon it being established before or by the commissioner that in violation of said order said invention has been published or that an application for a patent therefor has been filed in a foreign country by the inventor or his assigns or legal representatives, without the consent or approval of the Commissioner of Patents, or under a license of the Secretary of Commerce as provided by law.

When an applicant whose patent is withheld as herein provided and who faithfully obeys the order of the Commissioner of Patents above referred to shall tender his invention to the Government of the United States for its use, he shall, if and when he ultimately received a patent, have the right to sue for compensation in the Court of Claims, such right to compensation to begin from the date of the use of the invention by the Government.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

Compensation if invention tendered to the Government by patentee.

Suit authorized.

CHAP. 96.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the Wolf Creek Lumber Company to maintain a bridge already constructed across Tug River.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2663.]

[Public, No. 81.]

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 Wolf Creek Lumber Company, and its successors and assigns, to maintain and operate, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six, a bridge and approaches thereto already constructed across the Tug River at or near Wolf Creek near Kermit, West Virginia, in the county of Mingo, in the State of West Virginia, which bridge is hereby declared to have been constructed in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Tug River.
Wolf Creek Lumber Company may operate, etc., bridge across, Kermit, W. Va.

Construction approved.

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Amendment.

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

Approved, October 6, 1917.

CHAP. 97.—An Act To amend sections twenty-four and two hundred and fifty-six of the Judicial Code, relating to the jurisdiction of the district courts, so as to save to claimants the rights and remedies under the workmen's compensation law of any State.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2916.]

[Public, No. 82.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That clause three of section twenty-four of the Judicial Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Third. Of all civil causes of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction, saving to suitors in all cases the right of a common-law remedy where the common law is competent to give it, and to claimants the rights and remedies under the workmen's compensation law of any State; of all seizures on land or waters not within admiralty and maritime jurisdiction; of all prizes brought into the United States; and of all proceedings for the condemnation of property taken as prize."

Judicial Code.
Vol. 36, p. 1091, amended.
District courts.
Jurisdiction in admiralty and maritime causes.
Extended to State workmen's compensation laws.

SEC. 2. That clause three of section two hundred and fifty-six of the Judicial Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Third. Of all civil causes of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction, saving to suitors in all cases the right of a common-law remedy where the common law is competent to give it, and to claimants the rights and remedies under the workmen's compensation law of any State."

Exclusive jurisdiction of United States courts.
Vol. 36, p. 1161, amended.
Admiralty and maritime causes.
State workmen's compensation laws added.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2920.]

[Public, No. 83.]

North Carolina.
Obsolete cannon
granted to, for Mc-
Connell Monument,
Carthage.

CHAP. 98.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the State of North Carolina two brass cannon, with carriage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to donate to the State of North Carolina two brass or bronze cannon, with carriage, and suitable outfit of cannon balls, condemned or not needed for present service, to be placed at the foot of the monument now being erected at Carthage, North Carolina, in honor of James R. McConnell, an American aviator, who was killed while flying for France.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2937.]

[Public, No. 84.]

Arkansas River.
Pulaski County,
Ark., may bridge,
Little Rock.

Construction.
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Amendment.

CHAP. 99.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress for the construction of a bridge and approaches thereto across the Arkansas River between the cities of Little Rock and Argenta.

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 for the county of Pulaski, in the State of Arkansas, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Arkansas River at the city of Little Rock on the site now occupied by the free highway bridge constructed by said county in the years eighteen hundred and ninety-six and eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

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

Approved, October 6, 1917.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2947.]

[Public, No. 85.]

Rio Grande River.
El Paso, Tex., may
bridge.

Construction.
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Consent, etc., of Mex-
ico required.

Commencement, etc.

Amendment.

CHAP. 100.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the city of El Paso, Texas, to construct a bridge across the Rio Grande River within or near the city limits of El Paso, Texas, such construction to be made with the consent and cooperation of the Republic of Mexico.

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 city of El Paso, in the State of Texas, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Rio Grande River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation within or near the city limits of El Paso, Texas, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six, such construction to be made only with the consent and cooperation of the Republic of Mexico, and such bridge to be free of any toll.

SEC. 2. That this act shall be null and void unless the construction of said bridge is commenced within one year and completed within five years from the date of approval hereof.

SEC. 3. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, October 6, 1917.