

SEC. 3. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to pilots and marine engineers of the Fire Department whose salaries were increased by an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia', approved June , 1945".

Pilots and marine
engineers, Fire De-
partment.
Post, p. 662.

Ante, p. 318.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1945.

Approved July 14, 1945.

[CHAPTER 312]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the State of North Dakota to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Missouri River.

July 16, 1945
[S. 233]

[Public Law 152]

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 State of North Dakota to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Missouri River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, from McLean County to either Mercer County or Oliver County, North Dakota, 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: *Provided*, That this Act shall be null and void unless actual construction of the bridge herein referred to be commenced within two years and completed within four years from the date of approval hereof.

Missouri River.
Bridge, McLean
County, N. Dak.

34 Stat. 84.
33 U. S. C. §§ 491-
498.

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

Approved July 16, 1945.

[CHAPTER 313]

AN ACT

Authorizing the construction of a free highway bridge across the Yellowstone River near Fairview, Montana.

July 16, 1945
[S. 234]

[Public Law 153]

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 States of North Dakota and Montana, jointly or severally, are hereby authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Yellowstone River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, near Fairview, Montana, 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: *Provided*, That this Act shall be null and void unless actual construction of the bridge herein referred to be commenced within two years and completed within four years from the date of approval hereof.

Yellowstone River.
Bridge, near Fair-
view, Mont.

34 Stat. 84.
33 U. S. C. §§ 491-
498.

SEC. 2. There are hereby conferred upon the States of North Dakota and Montana all such rights and powers to enter upon lands and to acquire, condemn, occupy, possess, and use real estate and other property needed for the location, construction, operation, and maintenance 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 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

Acquisition of real
estate, etc.

therefor shall be the same as in the condemnation or expropriation of property for public purposes in such State.

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

Approved July 16, 1945.

[CHAPTER 314]

AN ACT

To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Columbia River in Clatsop County, Oregon.

July 16, 1945
[S. 574]
[Public Law 154]

Columbia River
Bridge, Clatsop
County, Oregon.

48 Stat. 949; 49 Stat.
1066, 1104; 50 Stat. 563;
52 Stat. 445; 53 Stat.
1206; 54 Stat. 1222;
57 Stat. 73.

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 in Clatsop County, Oregon, authorized to be built by the Oregon-Washington Bridge Board of Trustees by an Act of Congress approved June 13, 1934, as amended, as heretofore extended by Acts of Congress approved August 30, 1935, January 27, 1936, August 5, 1937, May 26, 1938, August 5, 1939, December 16, 1940, and May 3, 1943, are further extended one and three years, respectively, from May 3, 1945.

Approved July 16, 1945.

[CHAPTER 318]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the appropriation for the roofs and skylights over the Senate and House wings of the Capitol, and for other purposes.

July 17, 1945
[S. J. Res. 31]
[Public Law 155]

U. S. Capitol.
Reconstruction of
roofs, etc.
54 Stat. 629; 56 Stat.
342.

Additional amounts
authorized; merger of
funds.

Senate wing.

House wing.

Contract.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the appropriation of \$585,000 provided in the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act, approved June 27, 1940, as amended and carried forward by the Act of June 8, 1942, for the reconstruction of the roofs and skylights over the Senate and House wings of the United States Capitol, together with such additional amounts as may be provided hereafter for such purpose, shall be available also for the substitution of reinforced concrete roof slab for the skylights over the Senate and House Chambers, reconstruction of ceilings, redecoration, acoustical treatment, improved lighting, and other alterations, changes, and improvements in such Chambers: *Provided further,* That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, to be merged with, and to be available for the same purposes and for expenditure in the same manner as the appropriation heretofore made, such additional amounts as may be necessary for the additional improvements herein authorized: *Provided further,* That the project, insofar as it affects the Senate wing of the Capitol, shall be carried forward by the Architect of the Capitol in accordance with plans to be approved by a committee of five Senators, to be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate, upon recommendation of the chairman of the Senate Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds: *Provided further,* That the project, insofar as it affects the House wing of the Capitol, shall be carried forward by the Architect of the Capitol in accordance with plans to be approved by a committee of five Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, upon recommendation of the chairman of the House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

SEC. 2. The Architect of the Capitol is authorized to enter into a contract or contracts for carrying out the provisions of this joint