

hereby expressly reserved; and any alterations or changes that may be required by Congress in the bridge constructed under this act shall be made by the corporation owning or controlling the same, at its own expense.

Expense of changes.

SEC. 6. That the time within which the construction of said bridge shall be commenced shall be one year and it shall be completed within three years from and after the passage of this act.

Commencement and completion.

Approved, April 28, 1890.

**CHAP. 171.**—An act to create a customs district of the Territory of Arizona.

April 29, 1890.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That a new customs collection district, to be called the district of Arizona, be, and the same is hereby, established, which shall embrace all the territory now included in the Territory of Arizona; and a collector shall be appointed for the same, to reside at Nogales, which shall be the port of entry for the district; and the said collector shall receive in full for all services as collector a compensation at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum, which compensation shall be in lieu of salary, fees, commissions, storage, and all perquisites of every name and nature.

Arizona customs district established.

Collector; residence, Nogales.

Compensation.

Approved, April 29, 1890.

**CHAP. 172.**—An act to amend the charter of the Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railway Company.

April 30, 1890.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railway Company of the District of Columbia is hereby authorized to extend its tracks and to run its cars thereon through and along the following-named streets: Beginning at the intersection of New York avenue and Fifth street northwest, south along Fifth street northwest to G street northwest, and thence west along G street northwest to the east line of Fifteenth street northwest; and also beginning at the present terminus of its Cemetery Branch on the east side of Lincoln avenue, and thence northerly along Lincoln avenue to a point opposite the entrance to Glenwood Cemetery, and also beginning at the intersection of New York avenue and North Capitol street; thence north along said street to the south boundaries of the grounds of the Soldiers' Home: *Provided,* That if electric wires or cables are used to propel its cars over said streets from New York avenue and Fifth to Fifteenth street northwest, the same shall be placed underground: *And provided further,* That the said company shall not be permitted to stop its cars at its western terminus, or at any point within the city limits, for a longer time than is necessary to take on and let off its passengers. Said company shall charge not exceeding five cents fare for one continuous ride from any point on its line to the terminus of its main line or any of its branches. And said company is authorized to use overhead wires on its North Capitol Street Branch.

Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railway Company, District of Columbia.  
Amendments to charter.  
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Extension of tracks

*Provisos.*

Underground wires or cables.

Stoppages.

Fare.

North Capitol street route; overhead wires.

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First street route abolished.

SEC. 2. That so much of the original charter of the Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railway Company, granted by act approved June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, as authorized the construction of a branch on First street west, from New York avenue to the south boundary of the Soldiers' Home be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Capital stock increased.

Commencement and completion.

Proviso.  
North Capitol street route.

Amendment, etc.

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Judicial construction.

Use of overhead wires to cease.

SEC. 3. That said company is authorized to increase its capital stock one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars for the purpose of enabling it to extend and equip its line as provided in this act.

SEC. 4. That unless said extensions are commenced within three months and the cars run thereon within one year from the passage of this act the authority herein granted shall be void: *Provided*, That said company shall have one year to complete the North Capitol Street Branch after said street is opened and graded.

SEC. 5. That Congress reserves the right to alter, amend or repeal this act.

SEC. 6. This act shall be considered as an amendment to the act of June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, granting a charter to the Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railroad, and shall be construed as being subject to all limitations and conditions of said original act except as specifically provided otherwise herein. That the authority of said company by this act or any other act conferred to erect or use overhead wires in its operations within the city of Washington shall absolutely cease and determine on the first day of July, anno Domino eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

Approved, April 30, 1890.

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**CHAP. 173.**—An act for the organization, improvement, and maintenance of the National Zoological Park.

National Zoological Park appropriations.

Half from District revenues.

Shelter of animals.  
Custody of animals.

Repairs to Holt mansion.

Artificial ponds, etc.

Water supply, etc.

Roads, etc.

Miscellaneous supplies, etc.

Current expenses.

Under administration of Smithsonian Institution.

Heads of Executive Departments to render aid.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the one-half of the following sums named, respectively, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the other half out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, for the organization, improvement, and maintenance of the National Zoological Park, to be expended under the direction of the regents of the Smithsonian Institution, and to be drawn on their requisition and disbursed by the disbursing officer for said institution:

For the shelter of animals, fifteen thousand dollars.

For shelter-barns, cages, fences, and inclosures, and other provisions for the custody of animals, nine thousand dollars.

For repairs to the Holt mansion, to make the same suitable for occupancy, and for office furniture, two thousand dollars.

For the creation of artificial ponds and other provisions for aquatic animals, two thousand dollars.

For water supply, sewerage, and drainage, seven thousand dollars.

For roads, walks, and bridges, fifteen thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous supplies, materials, and sundry incidental expenses not otherwise provided for, five thousand dollars.

For current expenses, including the maintenance of collections, food supplies, salaries of all necessary employees, and the acquisition and transportation of specimens, thirty-seven thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. That the National Zoological Park is hereby placed under the directions of the regents of the Smithsonian Institution, who are authorized to transfer to it any living specimens, whether of animals or plants, now or hereafter in their charge, to accept gifts for the park at their discretion, in the name of the United States, to make exchanges of specimens, and to administer the said Zoological Park for the advancement of science and the instruction and recreation of the people.

SEC. 3. That the heads of executive departments of the Government are hereby authorized and directed to cause to be rendered all necessary and practicable aid to the said regents in the acquisition of collections for the Zoological Park.

Approved, April 30, 1890.