

Recognition of former services.

higher rank than the rank for which he may have been recommended by said examining board: *And provided further*, That the President may also commission or warrant as of the highest rank formerly held by him, or the present equivalent of such former rank in case the nomenclature or some of the specific duties of the same may have been changed, any person who having been formerly a commissioned or warrant officer of the United States Navy shall have been honorably discharged from the service: *And provided further*, That persons may be commissioned in the Navy for engineer duties only, and for all line duties other than engineer duties, and when so commissioned shall have the full rank, pay, precedence, and so forth, of the line grade for which they are commissioned.

Commissions for engineer and staff duties.

Repeal of conflicting laws.

SEC. 22. That all laws and sections of laws conflicting with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

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[Public, No. 58.]

CHAP. 26.—An Act Appropriating funds for the purpose of the investigation, treatment, and eradication of hog cholera and dourine.

Hog cholera and dourine.
Appropriation for investigating, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$600,000, or so much thereof as in the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture may be necessary, to be expended, by and under his direction, for the purpose of the investigation, treatment, and eradication of hog cholera and dourine, including the employment of assistants, clerks, and other persons, and the payment of all other necessary expenses, in the city of Washington and elsewhere: *Provided*, That not less than \$50,000 of said sum shall be available for expenditure in carrying on examinations and inspections authorized by the Act approved March fourth, nineteen hundred and thirteen (Thirty-seventh Statutes at Large, pages eight hundred and thirty-two and eight hundred and thirty-three), regulating the preparation, sale, barter, exchange, shipment, and importation of viruses, serums, toxins, and analogous products for use in the treatment of domestic animals, and for the enforcement of the provisions, including detection of violations, of said Act and the regulations made thereunder: *And provided further*, That not more than \$100,000 of the sum hereinbefore provided shall be used for the investigation, treatment, and eradication of the disease known as dourine.

Provisos.
Inspection of animal serums, etc.

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Amount for dourine.

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[Public, No. 59.]

CHAP. 27.—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across the navigable waters of Saint Andrews Bay.

Saint Andrews Bay, Fla.
Birmingham, Columbus and Saint Andrews Bay Railroad Company may bridge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Birmingham, Columbus and Saint Andrews Railroad Company, a corporation duly created and existing, is hereby authorized to build and maintain a railroad bridge across the navigable waters of Saint Andrews Bay, in Bay County, Florida, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation at or near a point on the north arm of said bay known as Grassy Point, on North Bay, 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.

Construction.
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Amendment.

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

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