

[CHAPTER 699]

AN ACT

To authorize the construction of bridges in Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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 Louisiana, the Louisiana Highway Commission, and/or to the Parish of Caddo, Louisiana, and they are jointly and severally authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto over each of the following-named streams at the following places in the Parish of Caddo, Louisiana, to wit:

1. A bridge across Cross Bayou at Shreveport, Louisiana;
2. A bridge across Twelve Mile Bayou approximately three miles north of Shreveport, Louisiana;
3. A bridge across Caddo Lake at or near Mooringsport, Louisiana;

all to be located along the proposed relocation of the State Highway Route Numbered 8, between Shreveport, Louisiana, and Rodessa, Louisiana, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, and according to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, and subject to all conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

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

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Caddo Parish, La.
Bridge construction
authorized at places
designated.

Construction.
34 Stat. 84.
35 U. S. C. §§ 491-
498.

Amendment.

[CHAPTER 700]

AN ACT

For the relief of the Southeastern University of the Young Men's Christian Association of the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the certificate of incorporation and certificate of amendment thereto for the incorporation of the Southeastern University of the Young Men's Christian Association of the District of Columbia under subchapter 1 of chapter 18 of the Code of Laws of the District of Columbia (1929 D. C. Code, title 5, ch. 8) be, and the same are hereby, approved and confirmed, except as herein specifically altered and amended.

SEC. 2. That the name of the corporation shall be "Southeastern University".

SEC. 3. That the management of the said corporation shall be vested in a board of trustees consisting of not less than nine nor more than twenty-one in number as determined from time to time by said board of trustees, one-third of whom, at all times, shall be graduates of the said university, of the qualifications prescribed by the board of managers of the Young Men's Christian Association of the city of Washington, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the Act of Congress approved June 28, 1864 (13 Stat. L. 411 and the Acts amendatory thereof), nominated by the alumni of the said university in the manner prescribed by said board of managers, and all of whom shall be elected by said board of managers; that C. C. Caywood, A. W. Defenderfer, L. W. DeGast, Charles E. Krey, George A. Lewis, George W. Offutt, John Poole, James P. Schick, H. Randolph Barbee, James A. Bell, Harvey T. Casbarian, and D. Roland Potter shall act as and constitute the first board of trustees under this Act and shall be classified with respect to the time for which they shall severally originally hold office into

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District of Colum-
bia.
Southeastern Uni-
versity of the Young
Men's Christian As-
sociation; incorpora-
tion, etc., approved.
31 Stat. 1280.

Name.

Board of trustees;
membership, qualifi-
cations, etc.

13 Stat. 411.

First board of
trustees.

Terms of office.

three equal classes, the first class for the term of one year, the second class for the term of two years, and the third class for the term of three years; the respective original terms of office of any additional trustees shall be such as to equalize said three classes, as far as possible; and the successors to each said class of trustees shall severally hold office for the term of three years, so that the term of office of one class shall expire annually.

Powers and authority of board declared.

SEC. 4. That the said board of trustees is authorized to (a) make, alter, and repeal bylaws for the management of the said corporation and rules and regulations for the government of the university and the "schools", faculty, and students thereof; (b) elect as officers of the said corporation and fix the salaries of a president, a treasurer, and a secretary, and such other officers as it may find necessary, for the respective terms and with the respective powers and duties as fixed by the bylaws of the said corporation; (c) appoint, from among their number, as officers of the said board of trustees and fix the salaries of a chairman, a vice chairman, and a secretary, and such other officers as it may find necessary, for the respective terms and with the respective powers and duties as fixed by the bylaws of the said corporation; (d) remove any trustee when, in its judgment, he shall be found incapable, by age or otherwise, of performing or discharging, or shall neglect or refuse to perform or discharge, the duties of his office; (e) determine and establish from time to time additional "schools" in all departments of sciences, liberal arts, and the professions, and the courses of instruction therein; (f) determine and establish, from time to time, additional professorships; (g) appoint, from time to time, such deans, professors, tutors, and instructors as it may deem necessary, and fix their respective terms, duties, and salaries; and (h) grant and confer degrees, but only upon the recommendation of the appropriate "school".

Corporate powers, etc.

SEC. 5. That the said corporation may have and use a common seal and alter and change the same at pleasure, and shall have power, in its corporate name (a) to sue and be sued; (b) to plead and be impleaded; and (c) to acquire real, personal, and mixed property by gift, grant, purchase, bargain and sale, conveyance, will, devise, bequest, or otherwise, to hold, use, and maintain the same solely for the purposes of education, and to demise, let, mortgage, or otherwise lien, grant, sell, exchange, convey, transfer, place out at interest, or otherwise dispose of the same for its use in such manner as shall seem most beneficial thereto; subject to conforming to the express conditions of the donor of any gift, devise, or bequest with regard thereto accepted by it; provided it shall not hold more land at any one time than necessary for the purposes of education, unless it shall have received the same by gift, grant, or devise, in which case it shall sell and dispose of so much of the same as may not be necessary for said purposes within fifteen years from the date of acquisition, otherwise the same shall revert to the donor or his heirs.

Income, use of.

SEC. 6. That the income of the said corporation from all sources whatsoever shall be held in the name of the corporation and applied to the maintenance, endowment, promotion, and advancement of the said university and the said Young Men's Christian Association of the city of Washington, subject to conforming to the express conditions of the donor of any gift, devise, or bequest accepted by the said corporation, with regard to the income therefrom.

No religious, etc., qualifications.

SEC. 7. That no person shall ever be required to profess any particular religious denomination, sentiment, or opinion as a condition to becoming and continuing a member of the faculty or a student, with the full benefits, privileges, and advantages thereof.

SEC. 8. That no institution of learning hereafter incorporated in the District of Columbia shall use in or as its title, in whole or in part, the words "Southeastern University".

Exclusive use of title.

SEC. 9. That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed as preventing the Congress from amending, altering, annulling, or repealing the same or any part thereof.

Amendment, etc.

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[CHAPTER 701]

AN ACT

To authorize the exchange of certain lands within the Great Smoky Mountains National Park for lands within the Cherokee Indian Reservation, North Carolina, and for other purposes.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, under such terms and conditions as he may deem proper, to exchange a tract of land of approximately one thousand two hundred and two acres, near Smokemont, North Carolina, known as the Towstring tract and forming a part of the Cherokee Indian Reservation, for three tracts of land, totaling approximately one thousand five hundred and forty-seven acres, in the vicinity of Ravensford, North Carolina, known as the Boundary Tree, Ravensford, and Tight Run tracts and forming a part of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, conditioned upon the consent of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to this exchange and to the acquisition by the State of North Carolina of a right-of-way, which shall vary in width between two hundred feet and eight hundred feet, for the Blue Ridge Parkway across the said reservation, and further conditioned upon payment to the said Cherokee Indians by the said State of North Carolina of such compensation as shall have been determined by the said Secretary as just and reasonable for the said right-of-way. When the foregoing conditions have been complied with, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby further authorized to grant to the State of North Carolina a right-of-way as hereinbefore provided for.

Great Smoky Mountains National Park, N. C.
Exchange of certain lands within, for lands within the Cherokee Indian Reservation, authorized.

Conditions.

Right-of-way grant to State.

SEC. 2. The consent of the said Cherokee Indians to any proposed exchange and the acquisition of a right-of-way by the State of North Carolina as provided for herein shall be expressed by secret ballot in a general election, in which a majority vote in favor thereof. Such election to be arranged and supervised by the tribal council within sixty days after the passage of this Act, and the results of such election shall be final.

Consent of Indians to be determined by ballot.

SEC. 3. No exchange shall be consummated pursuant to the provisions of this Act unless and until the consent of the State of North Carolina is first had and obtained thereto as indicated by an Act of its legislature.

Consent by State.

SEC. 4. Upon the consummation of the exchange made pursuant to the provisions of this Act, the lands transferred to the Indians shall be held in trust by the United States for the said Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and shall be nontaxable and nonalienable the same as the balance of the Indian land of the aforesaid reservation, and the lands transferred to the United States for park purposes shall become and be a part of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and shall be subject to the provisions of the Act of Congress approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), as amended: *Provided*, That should any of the exchanged area or parkway right-of-way herein dealt with cease to be used for park or parkway purposes, the title thereto shall revert to its status prior to the exchange.

Lands transferred to Indians to be held in trust; nontaxable, etc.

Acquisitions by United States for park purposes.
39 Stat. 535.
16 U. S. C. § 1.
Proviso.
Reversionary provision.

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