

[CHAPTER 384]

AN ACT

To extend the period of restrictions on lands of the Quapaw Indians, Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

July 27, 1939
[H. R. 3796]
[Public, No. 235]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all existing restrictions, tax limitations, and exemptions affecting lands of Quapaw Indians in Oklahoma be, and the same are hereby, extended for a further period of twenty-five years from the date on which such restrictions, limitations, and exemptions would otherwise expire: *Provided, however,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, from removing such restrictions, in whole or in part, upon application of any adult Indian owner of any such lands, on any interest therein, whenever the Secretary of the Interior finds it to be advantageous to the Indian owner to do so.

Quapaw Indians, Okla.
Restrictions on lands of, further extended.

Proviso.
Discretionary removal upon application of Indian land owner.

SEC. 2. That said restricted tracts of land or any part thereof, may be leased for business, mining, or other purposes in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, and not otherwise: *Provided, however,* That no lease, modification, or assignment thereof shall be made over the written protest of adult Indians owning a majority interest therein.

Leasing for business, etc., purposes.

Proviso.
Restriction.

Approved, July 27, 1939.

[CHAPTER 385]

AN ACT

To grant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a retrocession of jurisdiction over the General Clarence R. Edwards Memorial Bridge, bridging Watershops Pond of the Springfield Armory Military Reservation in the city of Springfield, Massachusetts.

July 27, 1939
[H. R. 6870]
[Public, No. 236]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a retrocession of jurisdiction over the General Clarence R. Edwards Memorial Bridge, bridging Watershops Pond of the Springfield Armory Military Reservation in the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, covered by a certain grant from the Secretary of War to the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, dated October 15, 1936, authorized by Act of Congress approved July 14, 1932 (47 State 663), as heretofore or hereafter amended by the Secretary of War, and subject to all the terms and conditions contained in said permit as so granted, and any amendments thereof, as aforesaid. The land, premises, and bridge over which such retrocession of jurisdiction is hereby granted shall be the whole of the bridge constructed under said permit and any amendments thereof, throughout its entire length and width, and for the entire distance granted therein.

Gen. Clarence R. Edwards Memorial Bridge, Springfield, Mass.
Jurisdiction over, retroceded to Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

47 Stat. 663.

Terms and conditions.

Description of grant.

SEC. 2. Whenever the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, shall cease to occupy and use the land, premises, and bridge for highway purposes as authorized in said permit, and any amendments thereof, then all jurisdiction thereover shall revert to the United States.

Reversionary provision.

SEC. 3. The retrocession of jurisdiction granted shall not become effective until the same is accepted by the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Subject to State acceptance.

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