

and its approaches under economical management, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the cost of the bridge and its approaches, including interest at a rate not to exceed 5 per centum per annum and reasonable financing cost, as soon as possible under reasonable charges, but within a period not to exceed twenty years from the date of approval of this Act. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls. An accurate record of the costs of the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, and of the daily tolls collected, shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

Maintenance as free bridge after amortizing costs, etc.
Record of expenditures and receipts.

Amendment.

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

Approved, August 7, 1939.

[CHAPTER 568]

AN ACT

To amend section 4894 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 35, sec. 37).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4894 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 35, sec. 37) be amended by inserting after "six months", second occurrence, the words "or such shorter time, not less than thirty days or any extensions thereof, as shall be fixed by the Commissioner of Patents in writing to the applicant".

Approved, August 7, 1939.

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[H. R. 6878]
[Public, No. 341]

Patents.
Time of completing application.
R. S. § 4894.
35 U. S. C. § 37.

[CHAPTER 569]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to reconstruct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Susquehanna River, from the borough of Wyoming, in the county of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to Jenkins Township, county of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of the Congress is hereby granted to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to reconstruct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Susquehanna River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, from the borough of Wyoming, in the county of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to Jenkins Township in the county of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at or in prolongation of Eighth Street as the same is now established and used in the respective municipality, in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906.

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

Approved, August 7, 1939.

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Susquehanna River.
Reconstruction,
etc., of bridge across,
from borough of Wyoming to Jenkins Township, Luzerne County, Pa.

34 Stat. 84.
33 U. S. C. §§ 491-498.

Amendment.