

[CHAPTER 757]

AN ACT

October 26, 1949  
[H. R. 5934]  
[Public Law 410]

To amend the Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1943, approved October 26, 1942 (56 Stat. 990, 999), and for other purposes.

Federal agencies.  
Ventilating, etc.,  
control equipment.

40 U. S. C. § 317.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That that portion of the Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1943, approved October 26, 1942, appropriating moneys to the Public Buildings Administration, Federal Works Agency, for salaries and expenses, public buildings and grounds in the District of Columbia and adjacent area, and for other purposes, be amended by changing the colon to a comma after the word "buildings" (as set forth in line 22 of paragraph 5, page 999, of volume 56, part 1, U. S. Stat. L.), and adding the following: "such restrictions shall not apply, however, to ventilating and temperature and humidity control equipment for special laboratory, scientific, and research purposes, the cost of the purchase and installation of which may be borne from the appropriations of the particular Federal agency utilizing such equipment, but such installations shall be subject to approval by the General Services Administration and subsequent to its installation the equipment shall be maintained and operated by the General Services Administration and shall remain under the custody and control of such Administration without exchange of funds:".

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[CHAPTER 758]

AN ACT

October 26, 1949  
[H. R. 6109]  
[Public Law 411]

Granting the consent of Congress to a compact or agreement between the State of Tennessee and the State of Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission, and for other purposes.

Tennessee-Missouri  
Bridge Commission  
Compact.  
Consent of Con-  
gress.  
Taxes.

Rights, etc., of U. S.

Tolls;

*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 given to the compact or agreement set forth below, and to each and every term and provision thereof: *Provided,* That any obligations issued and outstanding, including the income derived therefrom, under the terms of the compact or agreement, and any amendments thereto, shall be subject to the tax laws of the United States: *And provided further,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect, impair, or diminish any right, power, or jurisdiction of the United States or of any court, department, board, bureau, officer, or official of the United States, over or in regard to any navigable waters, or any commerce between the States or with foreign countries, or any bridge, railroad, highway, pier, wharf, or other facility or improvement, or any other person, matter, or thing, forming the subject matter of the aforesaid compact or agreement or otherwise affected by the terms thereof: *And provided further,* That after the costs of the bridge have been amortized, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls:

COMPACT BETWEEN TENNESSEE AND MISSOURI

CREATING A TENNESSEE-MISSOURI BRIDGE COMMISSION

ARTICLE I

"There is hereby created a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission (hereinafter referred to as the commission) which shall be a body

corporate and politic and which shall have the following powers and duties:

"1. To plan, construct, maintain and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Mississippi River at or near Caruthersville, Missouri, at a point deemed by the commission as most suitable to the interests of the citizens of the States of Tennessee and Missouri in accordance with the provisions of an act of the Seventy-ninth Congress, Second Session, of the United States entitled "The General Bridge Act of 1946";

"2. To purchase, maintain and, in its discretion, to operate all or any ferries across the Mississippi River within twenty-five miles of the site selected for the bridge;

"3. To contract, to sue and be sued in its own name; to purchase or otherwise acquire, hold and dispose of real and personal property;

"4. To acquire by proper condemnation proceedings such real property as may be necessary for the construction and operation of the bridge and the approaches thereto;

"5. To issue bonds on the security of the revenues derived from the operation of the bridge and ferries for the payment of the cost of the bridge, its approaches, ferry or ferries, and the necessary lands, easements and appurtenances thereto including interest during construction and all necessary engineering, legal, architectural, traffic surveying and other necessary expenses. Such bonds shall be the negotiable bonds of the commission, the income of which shall be tax free. The principal and interest of the bonds, and any premiums to be paid for their retirement before maturity, shall be paid solely from the revenues derived from the bridge and ferries;

"6. To establish and charge tolls for transit over such bridge and ferries in accordance with the provisions of this compact;

"7. To perform all other necessary and incidental functions.

#### ARTICLE II

"The rates of tolls to be charged for transit over such bridge and ferries shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund sufficient to pay for the reasonable cost of maintenance, repairs and operation (including the approaches to the bridge) under economical management, and also to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the outstanding bonds. All tolls and other revenues derived from facilities of the commission are hereby pledged to such uses.

#### ARTICLE III

"The commission shall keep an accurate record of the cost of the bridge and of other expenses and of the daily revenues collected and shall report annually to the governor of each state setting forth in detail the operation and transactions conducted by it pursuant to this agreement and any legislation thereunder.

#### ARTICLE IV

"When the bonds have been retired, the part of the bridge within the state of Tennessee shall be conveyed to the State of Tennessee, and that part within the state of Missouri to the state of Missouri, and the high contracting parties to this compact do hereby agree that thereafter the bridge shall be free of tolls and shall be properly maintained, operated and repaired by the two states as may be agreed upon.

#### ARTICLE V

"The commission shall consist of ten members, five of whom shall be qualified electors of the state of Tennessee and shall reside in Dyer

60 Stat. 847.  
33 U. S. C. §§ 525-  
533; Supp. II, § 529.

County, or counties adjacent thereto, Tennessee, and five of whom shall be qualified electors of the state of Missouri and shall reside in Pemiscot County, or counties adjacent thereto, Missouri. The Tennessee members are to be chosen by the state of Tennessee, and the Missouri members by the state of Missouri in the manner and for the terms fixed by the legislature of each state, except as herein provided.

ARTICLE VI

"1. The commission shall elect from its number a chairman and a vice chairman, and may appoint such officers and employees as it may require for the performance of its duties and shall fix and determine their qualifications and duties.

"2. Until otherwise determined by the legislatures of the two states no action of the commission shall be binding unless taken at a meeting at which at least three members from each state are present and unless a majority of the members from each state present at such meeting shall vote in favor thereof. Each state reserves the right hereafter to provide by law for the exercise of the veto power by the governor thereof over any action of any commissioner appointed therefrom.

"3. The two states shall provide penalties for violations of any order, rule or regulation of the commission, and for the manner of enforcing same.

ARTICLE VII

"The commission is authorized and directed to proceed with the planning and construction of the bridge and the approaches thereto as rapidly as may be economically practicable and is hereby vested with all necessary and appropriate powers, not inconsistent with the Constitution or the laws of the United States or of either state, to effect the same, except the power to assess or levy taxes.

Powers.

ARTICLE VIII

"In witness thereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals under authority vested in us by law."

[SEAL]

(Signed) J. E. TAYLOR  
Attorney General of Missouri

[SEAL]

(Signed) M. R. ROWLAND

[SEAL]

(Signed) S. P. REYNOLDS

[SEAL]

(Signed) N. W. HELM

[SEAL]

(Signed) ROY H. BEELER

Attorney General of Tennessee

[SEAL]

(Signed) E. W. EGGLESTON

[SEAL]

(Signed) W. N. ESTES

In the presence of:

(Signed) G. S. Wright

(Signed) Charles F. Wayland, Jr.

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[CHAPTER 759]

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to School District Numbered 5, Linn County, Oregon.

*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 and directed to convey to School District Numbered 5 of Linn County, Oregon, in consideration of a*

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[Public Law 412]

School District No. 5, Linn County, Oreg. Conveyance.