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SEC. 3. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of said bridge herein authorized shall not be commenced in two years and completed within three years from the date of approval hereof.

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Approved, March 3, 1905.

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CHAP. 1463.—An Act To authorize the county of Quitman to construct a bridge across the Tallahatchie River, Mississippi.

Tallahatchie River, Miss. Quitman County may bridge.

Location.

Proviso. Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

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Amendment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county of Quitman, one of the counties of the State of Mississippi, duly created and organized under and by virtue of the laws of the said State, is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, construct, and maintain a bridge, by and through its proper officers, over the Tallahatchie River, in section seven, township twenty-six north, range one east, in said county, State of Mississippi: *Provided,* That the plans and location of the said bridge are approved by the Secretary of War before the construction of the bridge is commenced. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot passengers, under such rules and regulations as may be laid down by the proper officers of said county under the laws of the said State of Mississippi.

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