

February 18, 1905.
[S. 6425.]

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CHAP. 586.—An Act To amend section forty-four hundred and seventy-two of the Revised Statutes so as to remove certain restrictions upon the transportation by steam vessels of gasoline and other products of petroleum when carried by motor vehicles (commonly known as automobiles) using the same as a source of motive power.

Steam passenger
vessels.
Prohibition of gaso-
line, etc., on.
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amended.

Automobiles using
gasoline, etc., ex-
cepted.
Post, p. 1032.

Provisos.
Fire restrictions
changed.

Transportation may
be refused.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the amendment to section forty-four hundred and seventy-two of the Revised Statutes, approved February twentieth, nineteen hundred and one, be amended to read as follows:

“Nothing in the foregoing or following sections of this Act shall prohibit the transportation by steam vessels of gasoline or any of the products of petroleum when carried by motor vehicles (commonly known as automobiles) using the same as a source of motive power: *Provided, however,* That all fire, if any, in such vehicles or automobiles be extinguished immediately after entering the said vessel, and that the same be not relighted until immediately before said vehicle shall leave the vessel: *Provided further,* That any owner, master, agent, or other person having charge of passenger steam vessels shall have the right to refuse to transport automobile vehicles the tanks of which contain gasoline, naphtha, or other dangerous burning fluids.”

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CHAP. 587.—An Act To authorize the Spokane International Railway Company to construct and maintain bridges across the Pend d'Oreille River and the Kootenai River in the county of Kootenai, State of Idaho.

Pend d'Oreille and
Kootenai rivers,
Idaho.
Spokane Interna-
tional Railway Com-
pany may bridge.

Locations.

Lawful structures
and post routes.

Telegraph, etc.,
rights.

Use by other roads.

Compensation.

Secretary of War to
approve plans, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Spokane International Railway Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Washington, be, and is hereby, authorized and empowered to construct, maintain, and operate one bridge across each of the following-named rivers in the county of Kootenai, State of Idaho: The Pend d'Oreille River, at a point between Pend d'Oreille Lake and Seneagooten; the Kootenai River, at a point at or near the town of Bonners Ferry; and to lay railroad tracks on the said bridges, and to operate trains thereon as a part of its railroad.

SEC. 2. That any bridges built under this Act and subject to its limitations shall be lawful structures, and shall be recognized and known as post routes, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transportation over the same of the mails, troops, and munitions of war of the United States than the rate per mile paid for transportation of said mails, troops, and munitions of war over public highways leading to said bridges; and equal privileges in the use of said bridges shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies; and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridges and their approaches for postal-telegraph purposes.

SEC. 3. That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridges shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relative to the passage of railway trains over the same, and over the approaches thereto, upon the payment of a reasonable compensation for such use; and in case the owner or owners of said bridges and the several railroad companies, or any of them, desiring such use shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid and upon the rules and conditions to which each shall conform in using said bridges, all matters at issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon a hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties.

SEC. 4. That all bridges authorized to be constructed under this Act shall be built under and subject to such regulations for the security of