

February 18, 1905.
[S. 6425.]

[Public, No. 79.]

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.

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:

Steam passenger vessels.
Prohibition of gasoline, etc., on.
Vol. 31, p. 799, amended.
Automobiles using gasoline, etc., excepted.
Post, p. 1082.

“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.”

Provisos.
Fire restrictions changed.

Transportation may be refused.

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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 International Railway Company may bridge.

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.

Locations.

Lawful structures and post routes.

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.

Telegraph, etc., rights.

Use by other roads.

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.

Compensation.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

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

the navigation of said rivers as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and to secure that object the said company or corporation shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, maps of location and designs and drawings of each of the bridges; and until the said plans and locations are approved by the Secretary of War the bridges shall not be commenced or built; and should any changes be made in the plans of said bridges, or any one of them, during the progress or construction or after completion, such changes shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War, and all changes in said bridges, or any one of them, required by the Secretary of War, at any time, or their entire removal, shall be made promptly by the corporations or persons owning or operating said bridges, at their own expense.

Changes.

SEC. 5. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

SEC. 6. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridges herein authorized is not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date thereof.

Time of construction.

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CHAP. 588.—An Act To grant certain lands to the State of Ohio.

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Preamble.

Whereas the State of Ohio in the years eighteen hundred and twenty-eight to eighteen hundred and forty-four, inclusive, constructed the Miami and Erie Canal; and

Whereas the State of Ohio, for the purpose of supplying the said canal with water, built and constructed certain artificial lakes or reservoirs known as the Mercer County Reservoir, in Mercer and Auglaize counties, and the Loramie Reservoir, in Auglaize and Shelby counties, the former being completed and flooded with water about the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, and the latter about the year eighteen hundred and forty-four; and

Whereas it has recently come to the knowledge of the authorities of the State of Ohio that the title to the land above described is in the United States and not in the said State of Ohio: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following-described

Ohio.
Lands in Mercer,
Auglaize, and Shelby
counties, granted to.

lands in township six south, range three east, in Mercer County, Ohio, be, and the same are hereby, granted to the State of Ohio, to wit: The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section two, township six south, range three east, forty acres; the south half of the southwest quarter of section three, township six south, range three east, eighty acres; the east half of the northeast quarter of section eight, township six south, range three east, eighty acres; the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section eight, township six south, range three east, forty acres; the northwest quarter of section eight, township six south, range three east, one hundred and sixty acres; the southwest quarter of section eight, township six south, range three east, one hundred and sixty acres; the northeast quarter of section nine, township six south, range three east, one hundred and sixty acres; the southeast quarter of section nine, township six south, range three east, one hundred and sixty acres; the northwest quarter of section nine, township six south, range three east, one hundred and sixty acres; the east half of the southwest quarter of section nine, township six south, range three east, eighty acres; the southwest quarter of section ten, township six south, range three east, one hundred and sixty acres; the northeast quarter of section eleven, township six south, range three east, one hundred and sixty

Description.