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provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Amendment.

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

Approved, February 13, 1908.

February 14, 1908.

[S. 486.]

[Public, No. 23.]

**CHAP. 24.**—An Act To create a new division of the northern judicial district of Texas and to provide for terms of court at Amarillo, Texas, and for a clerk for said court, and for other purposes.

Texas northern judicial district.  
New division established.

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R. S., sec. 548, p. 92.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the counties of Lipscomb, Hemphill, Wheeler, Collingsworth, Childress, Cottle, King, Dickens, Motley, Hall, Donley, Gray, Roberts, Ochiltree, Hansford, Hutchinson, Carson, Armstrong, Briscoe, Floyd, Crosby, Lubbock, Hale, Swisher, Randall, Potter, Moore, Sherman, Hockley, Cochran, Bailey, Parmer, Dallam, Hartley, Oldham, Deaf Smith, Castro, and Lamb shall constitute a division of the northern judicial district of Texas.

Terms at Amarillo.

SEC. 2. That the terms of the circuit and district courts of the United States for the said northern district of Texas shall be held twice each year at the city of Amarillo, in Potter County, Texas, beginning on the third Monday of April and the fourth Monday of September in each year.

Return of process, etc.

SEC. 3. That all civil process issued against persons resident in the said counties of Lipscomb, Hemphill, Wheeler, Collingsworth, Childress, Cottle, King, Dickens, Motley, Hall, Donley, Gray, Roberts, Ochiltree, Hansford, Hutchinson, Carson, Armstrong, Briscoe, Floyd, Crosby, Lubbock, Hale, Swisher, Randall, Potter, Moore, Sherman, Hockley, Cochran, Bailey, Parmer, Dallam, Hartley, Oldham, Deaf Smith, Castro, and Lamb, and cognizable before the United States courts, shall be made returnable to the courts, respectively, to be held at the city of Amarillo, and all prosecutions for offenses committed in any of said counties shall be tried in the appropriate United States court at the city of Amarillo: *Provided*, That no process issued, or prosecutions commenced, or suits instituted before the passage of this Act, shall be in any way affected by the provisions hereof, and that all persons who have committed offenses against the United States in any of the counties mentioned in this bill prior to the passage of this Act shall be prosecuted and tried as if this Act had not been passed.

*Proviso.*  
Pending causes not affected.

Office at Amarillo.

SEC. 4. That the clerks of the circuit and district courts of said division shall maintain an office, in charge of themselves or a deputy, at the said city of Amarillo, which shall be kept open at all times for the transaction of the business of said division.

Approved, February 14, 1908.

February 15, 1908.

[H. R. 14766.]

[Public, No. 24.]

**CHAP. 27.**—An Act Making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, and for prior years, and for other purposes.

Urgent deficiencies appropriations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and eight, and for prior years, and for other objects hereinafter stated, namely: