

Committee on Accounts of the House of Representatives and the Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate, respectively, shall make and issue regulations specifying the classes of articles which may be purchased by or through the stationery rooms of the House and Senate.

SEC. 3. In expending appropriations or portions of appropriations, contained in this Act, for the payment for personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade in the Botanic Garden, the Library of Congress, or the Government Printing Office, shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act, and in grades in which only one position is allocated the salary of such position shall not exceed the average of the compensation rates for the grade, except that in unusually meritorious cases of one position in a grade advances may be made to rates higher than the average of the compensation rates of the grade but not more often than once in any fiscal year and then only to the next higher rate: *Provided*, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service, (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation was fixed as of July 1, 1924, in accordance with the rules of section 6 of such Act, (3) to require the reduction in salary of any person who is transferred from one position to another position in the same or different grade in the same or a different bureau, office, or other appropriation unit, or (4) to prevent the payment of a salary under any grade at a rate higher than the maximum rate of the grade when such higher rate is permitted by "The Classification Act of 1923," and is specifically authorized by other law.

Approved, May 13, 1926.

Congressional stationery room.

Purchase through, limited.

Restriction on exceeding average salaries in offices designated. Vol. 42, p. 1488.

If only one position in a grade.

Advances allowed in unusually meritorious cases.

Not applicable to clerical-mechanical services. No fixed salary reduced.

Transfers to another position without reduction.

Higher salary rates permitted.

CHAP. 295.—An Act To extend the time for the construction of a bridge across the Fox River in the State of Illinois on State Road Numbered 18, connecting the villages of Yorkville and Bristol in said State.

May 13, 1926.

[H. R. 10244.]

[Public, No. 223.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge authorized by Act of Congress, approved February 16, 1924, to be built by the State of Illinois across the Fox River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation in the county of Kendall, and State of Illinois, on the spur of State Road Numbered 18, connecting the villages of Yorkville and Bristol, are hereby extended one and three years, respectively, from the date of approval hereof.

Fox River. Time extended for bridging, in Kendall County, Ill.

Vol. 43, p. 13, amended.

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

Amendment.

Approved, May 13, 1926.

CHAP. 296.—An Act To authorize the commissioners of McKean County, Pennsylvania, or their successors in office, to construct a bridge across the Allegheny River at a certain location where a highway known as State Highway Route Numbered 211 crosses said river at a location within the limits of the Borough of Eldred or not distant more than one-half mile north of said Borough of Eldred, McKean County, Pennsylvania.

May 13, 1926.

[H. R. 10244.]

[Public, No. 224.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the commissioners of McKean County, Pennsylvania, and their successors in office be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain,

Allegheny River. McKean County, Pa., may bridge, at Eldred.