

Legal rights, etc.,
not affected.

Act: *And provided further*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to affect any legal or equitable rights acquired by the government of Porto Rico or by any other party, under any contract, lease, or license made by the United States authorities prior to the first day of May, nineteen hundred.

Appropriation for
law library.

SEC. 2. That the sum of two thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, to be expended by the clerk of the district court of the United States for Porto Rico, under the supervision and subject to the approval of the presiding judge of said court, in the purchase of a law library for the use of said court.

Resident commis-
sioner.

Traveling expenses.
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SEC. 3. That the resident commissioner from Porto Rico to the United States, provided for by section thirty-nine of the Act of April twelfth, nineteen hundred, entitled "An Act temporarily to provide revenues and a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes," shall be entitled, in addition to his salary as now fixed by law, to his actual expenses in traveling to and from Porto Rico once annually, and his term of office shall commence on the fourth day of March next succeeding the date of his election; and the term of office of the present incumbent is hereby extended to the third day of March, nineteen hundred and three.

Term of office ex-
tended.

Approved, July 1, 1902.

July 1, 1902.

[Public, No. 250.]

CHAP. 1384.—An Act To cede jurisdiction over place on which the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers is located to the State of Ohio.

National Home for
Disabled Volunteer
Soldiers.
Jurisdiction over lo-
cation in Ohio relin-
quished.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the jurisdiction over the place purchased by the United States from the State of Ohio for the location of the "National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers," ceded to the United States by act of the seventy-fifth general assembly of the State of Ohio, passed May sixth, nineteen hundred and two, is hereby ceded to the State of Ohio and relinquished by the United States, and the United States shall claim or exercise no jurisdiction over said place after the passage of this Act: *Provided*, That nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to impair the powers and rights heretofore conferred upon the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers in and over said territory.

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July 1, 1902.

[Public, No. 251.]

CHAP. 1385.—An Act Authorizing Anton Brucken to construct locks and dams in Pond River, in the State of Kentucky, and to give the consent of Congress thereto.

Pond River, Ky.
Anton Brucken au-
thorized to construct
locks and dams in.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whereas the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War have had submitted to them the plans and specifications for certain locks and dams proposed to be constructed in the bed of Pond River, a navigable stream running between Hopkins County and Muhlenberg County, in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by one Anton Brucken, who has proposed, on his private account and by voluntary subscriptions of interested parties, to construct such improvement in order to make said stream navigable for rafts and barges during the whole year; and said Anton Brucken and his associates desire the consent and approval of Congress to said improvement, pursuant to section nine of an Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the construction, repair, and preservation

Consent.

of certain public works on rivers and harbors, and for certain other purposes," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, said Anton Brucken be, and he is hereby, authorized to construct, erect, and operate a system of locks and dams in said Pond Rivor, in Kentucky, according to such plans as may be approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War, for the use of himself and all other persons using said stream by way of traffic, without tolls, and the consent of Congress to said improvement is hereby conferred: *Provided, however,* That said Anton Brucken and his associates are in no way relieved from the lawful consequences of any damage done by the work to private property, and the United States in no way relinquishes its rights to require the removal of any structure placed in said stream: *Provided further,* That unless availed of within three years from the date of this Act the privilege hereby conferred shall cease and be determined.

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

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Plan to be approved by Secretary of War, etc.

Provisos.
Damage to private property.
Right of removal reserved.

Time of construction.

Amendment.

CHAP. 1386.—An Act For the relief of settlers on lands granted in aid of the construction of wagon roads.

July 1, 1902.

[Public, No. 252.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision of the Act of June twenty-second, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act for the relief of settlers on railroad lands," and all Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, including the Act approved March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of land grants made by Congress to aid in the construction of railroads and for the forfeiture of unearned lands, and for other purposes," as modified or supplemented by the Act approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, entitled "An Act to provide for the extension of the time within which suits may be brought to vacate and annul land patents, and for other purposes," shall apply to grants of land in aid of the construction of wagon roads.

Public lands.
Relief of settlers on wagon-road grants.
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