
April 11, 1924.

CHAP. 127.—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across the Fox River in Saint Charles Township, Kane County, Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the Aurora, Elgin, and Fox River Electric Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Fox River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, in section 11 of township 40 north, range 8 east of the third principal meridian, being Saint Charles Township, Kane County, Illinois, in accordance with the Act of Congress entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

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

Approved, April 18, 1924.

CHAP. 129.—An Act To amend section 4414 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by the Act approved July 2, 1918, to abolish the inspection districts of Apalachicola, Florida, and Burlington, Vermont, Steamboat Inspection Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first paragraph of section 4414 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by the Act of Congress approved July 2, 1918, be, and is hereby, amended by striking out the words "Apalachicola, Florida;" and "Burlington, Vermont;" and by inserting the word "and" immediately before the words "Point Pleasant," so that the said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

"Sec. 4414. There shall be in each of the following collection districts, namely, the districts of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; San Francisco, California; New London, Connecticut; Baltimore, Maryland; Detroit, Michigan; Chicago, Illinois; Bangor, Maine; New Haven, Connecticut; Michigan, Michigan; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Willamette, Oregon; Puget Sound, Washington; Savannah, Georgia; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Oswego, New York; Charleston, South Carolina; Duluth, Minnesota; Superior, Michigan; Galveston, Texas; Mobile, Alabama; Providence, Rhode Island; and in each of the following ports: New York, New York; Jacksonville, Florida; Tampa, Florida; Portland, Maine; Boston, Massachusetts; Buffalo, New York; Cleveland, Ohio; Toledo, Ohio; Norfolk, Virginia; Evansville, Indiana; Dubuque, Iowa; Louisville, Kentucky; Albany, New York; Cincinnati, Ohio; Memphis, Tennessee; Nashville, Tennessee; Saint Louis, Missouri; Port Huron, Michigan; New Orleans, Louisiana; Los Angeles, California; Juneau, Alaska; Saint Michael, Alaska; and Point Pleasant, West Virginia; Honolulu, Hawaii; and San Juan, Porto Rico, one inspector of hulls and one inspector of boilers."

SEC. 2. That the seventh paragraph of section 4414 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by the Act of Congress approved July 2, 1918, be, and is hereby, amended by striking out the words "and Apalachicola, Florida;" and "Burlington, Vermont;" and by inserting the word "and" immediately before the words "Point Pleasant," so that the said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

"For the districts of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; New Haven, Connecticut; Savannah, Georgia; Charleston, South Carolina; Galveston, Texas; New London, Connecticut; Superior, Michigan; and Bangor, Maine; and the ports of Dubuque, Iowa; Toledo, Ohio;
Evansville, Indiana; Memphis, Tennessee; Nashville, Tennessee; Point Pleasant, West Virginia; Jacksonville, Florida; Tampa, Florida; Louisville, Kentucky; and Cincinnati, Ohio, at the rate of $2,100 per year for each local inspector."

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be effective on and after the date of its approval.

Approved, April 19, 1924.

CHAP. 130.—An Act To authorize a temporary increase of the Coast Guard for law enforcement.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to transfer to the Department of the Treasury, for the use of the Coast Guard, such vessels of the Navy, with their outfits and armaments, as can be spared by the Navy and are adapted to the use of the Coast Guard.

SEC. 2. (a) The President is authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the following temporary officers of the Coast Guard: Two captains, ten commanders, twenty-five lieutenant commanders, forty-eight lieutenants, and forty-two lieutenants (junior grade) and ensigns, of the line; and five commanders, eleven lieutenant commanders, nineteen lieutenants, and forty lieutenants (junior grade) and ensigns, of the Engineer Corps.

(b) Such temporary officers while in service shall receive the same pay, allowances, and benefits as permanent commissioned officers of the Coast Guard of corresponding grade and length of service, except that no such officer shall be entitled to retirement because of his temporary commission.

(c) Temporary appointments shall continue until the President otherwise directs or Congress otherwise provides.

SEC. 3. Permanent commissioned officers of the Coast Guard may be given temporary promotion, in order of seniority and without examination, to fill any such temporary grades. Notwithstanding such temporary promotion, any such officer shall continue to hold his permanent commission and shall be advanced in lineal rank, promoted, and retired in the same manner as though this Act had not become law.

SEC. 4. (a) All original temporary appointments under this Act shall be made in grades not above that of lieutenant, in the line or the Engineer Corps, and shall be made only after the candidate has satisfactorily passed such examinations as the President may prescribe. No person shall be given an original temporary appointment who is more than forty years of age.

(b) Any warrant officer or enlisted man of the permanent Coast Guard may be given an original temporary appointment under this Act, under such regulations as the President may prescribe, and without reduction in pay or allowances. Notwithstanding such temporary appointment, any such warrant officer or enlisted man shall be entitled to retirement in the same manner as though he had continued to hold his permanent grade or rating, and upon the termination of such temporary appointment shall be entitled to revert to such grade or rating. Service under any such temporary appointment shall be included in determining length of service as a warrant officer or enlisted man.

(c) The names of all persons appointed under this section shall be placed upon a special list of temporary officers, as distinguished from the list of permanent officers, of the Coast Guard. The President is authorized, without regard to length of service or seniority,