functions, and for other purposes," be, and the same is hereby, amended by striking out section 3 thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Sec. 3. That the board shall consist of nine members who shall be appointed by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia for terms of six years: Provided, That the first appointments made under this Act shall be for the following terms: Three persons shall be appointed for terms of two years, three persons shall be appointed for terms of four years, and three persons shall be appointed for terms of six years. Thereafter all appointments shall be for six years: Provided, however, That vacancies for unexpired terms, caused by death, resignation, removal, or otherwise, shall be filled by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia for such unexpired terms. No person shall be eligible for membership on the board who has not been a legal resident of the District of Columbia for at least three years. Any member of such board may be removed at any time for cause by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia. Appointments to the board shall be made without discrimination as to sex, color, religion, or political affiliation. The members of the board shall serve without compensation."

Approved, April 17, 1930.

CHAP. 177.—An Act To exempt from cancellation certain desert-land entries in Riverside County, California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no desert-land entry heretofore made in good faith under the public land laws for lands in townships 4 and 5 south, range 15 east; townships 4 and 5 south, range 16 east; townships 4, 5, and 6 south, range 17 east; townships 5, 6, and 7 south, range 18 east; townships 6 and 7 south, range 19 east; townships 6 and 7 south, range 20 east; townships 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 south, range 21 east; townships 5, 6, and sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 18, and 19, township 7 south, range 22 east; township 5 south, range 23 east, San Bernardino meridian, in Riverside County, State of California, shall be canceled prior to May 1, 1933, because of failure on the part of the entrymen to make any annual or final proof falling due upon any such entry prior to said date. The requirements of law as to annual assessments and final proof shall become operative from said date as though no suspension had been made. If the said entrymen are unable to procure water to irrigate the said lands above described through no fault of theirs, after using due diligence, or the legal questions as to their right to divert or impound water for the irrigation of said lands are still pending and undetermined by said May 1, 1933, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to grant a further extension for an additional period of not exceeding five years.

Approved, April 17, 1930.

CHAP. 179.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the superintendent of public works of the State of New York to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Hudson River at the southerly extremity of the city of Troy.

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 superintendent of public works of the State of New York to construct, maintain, and operate a free