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SEC. 5. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby reserved. Amendment.

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**CHAP. 13.**—An Act Making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, and for other purposes. December 23, 1902. [Public, No. 11.]

*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, for the payment of pensions for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, and for other purposes, namely: Pensions appropriations.

For army and navy pensions, as follows: For invalids, widows, minor children, and dependent relatives, army nurses, and all other pensioners who are now borne on the rolls, or who may hereafter be placed thereon, under the provisions of any and all Acts of Congress, one hundred and thirty-eight million five hundred thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the appropriation aforesaid for navy pensions shall be paid from the income of the navy pension fund so far as the same shall be sufficient for that purpose: *Provided further*, That the amount expended under each of the above items shall be accounted for separately. Invalid, etc., pensions. *Provisos.* Navy pensions. Accounts.

For fees and expenses of examining surgeons, pensions, for services rendered within the fiscal year nineteen hundred and four, eight hundred thousand dollars. And each member of each examining board shall, as now authorized by law, receive the sum of two dollars for the examination of each applicant whenever five or a less number shall be examined on any one day, and one dollar for the examination of each additional applicant on such day: *Provided*, That if twenty or more applicants appear on one day, no fewer than twenty shall, if practicable, be examined on said day, and that if fewer examinations be then made, twenty or more having appeared, then there shall be paid for the first examinations made on the next examination day the fee of one dollar only until twenty examinations shall have been made: *Provided further*, That no fee shall be paid to any member of an examining board unless personally present and assisting in the examination of applicant: *And provided further*, That the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which in their judgment the applicant is entitled to, and the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically and accurately set forth the physical condition of the applicant, each and every existing disability being fully and carefully described. The reports of the special examiners of the Bureau of Pensions shall be open to inspection and copy by the applicant or his attorney, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe: *And provided further*, That hereafter no pension attorney, claim agent, or other person shall be entitled to receive any compensation for services rendered in securing the introduction of a bill or the passage thereof through Congress granting pension or increase of pension; and any person who shall, directly or indirectly, contract for, demand, receive, or retain any compensation for such services shall be deemed guilty of an offense, and upon conviction thereof shall, for each and every such offense, be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars, or imprisoned not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court. Examining surgeons. Fees. *Provisos.* Examinations. No fee unless service rendered. Rating. Disabilities to be fully described. Inspection of reports. Pension attorneys, etc. Penalty for receiving, etc., pay for securing special legislation.

For salaries of eighteen agents for the payment of pensions, at four thousand dollars each, seventy-two thousand dollars. Agents' salaries.

For clerk hire, four hundred and thirty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the amount of clerk hire for each agency shall be apportioned as Clerk hire. *Proviso.* Apportionment.

nearly as practicable in proportion to the number of pensioners paid at each agency, and the salaries paid shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

Rent. For rents, ten thousand six hundred dollars.

Stationery, lights, etc. For stationery and other necessary expenses, including fuel and lights, thirty-five thousand dollars.

Approved, December 23, 1902.

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January 8, 1903.

[Public, No. 12.]

**CHAP. 58.**—An Act Authorizing the Federal Railroad Company to construct a combined railroad, wagon, and foot-passenger bridge across the Missouri River at or near the village of Oacoma, Lyman County, South Dakota.

Missouri River. Federal Railroad Company may bridge at Oacoma, S. Dak.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Federal Railroad Company, a corporation duly created and existing under the laws of the State of South Dakota, its successors or assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a bridge and approaches thereto over the Missouri River from a point at or near the village of Oacoma, in the county of Lyman and State of South Dakota, to the opposite shore of said river, in the county of Brule, State of South Dakota: *Provided*, That a location within such limits is found suitable to the interests of navigation. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains, and, at the option of said corporation, its successors or assigns, may be so constructed to provide for and be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot passengers, for reasonable rates of toll, to be fixed by said corporation, its successors or assigns, and approved by the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of War shall have the right from time to time to revise such rates of toll: *Provided*, That the bridge herein authorized to be constructed shall not be built within less than one mile from any other bridge across said Missouri River.

*Provisos.* Protection to navigation. Railway, wagon, and foot bridge.

Toll.

Location.

Construction.

SEC. 2. That any bridge built under the provisions of this Act may, at the option of the corporation building the same, be built as a drawbridge, or with unbroken or continuous spans: *Provided*, That if the same shall be made of unbroken or continuous spans, it shall not be in any case of less elevation than fifty feet above the high-water mark, as understood at the point of location, to the lowest part of the superstructure; nor shall the spans of said bridge be less than three hundred feet in the clear at low-water mark, and the piers of said bridge shall be parallel with the current of the river at high water, and the main span shall be over the main channel of the river: *And provided also*, That if a bridge shall be built under this Act as a drawbridge, the same shall be constructed as a pivot drawbridge, with one or more draws, as the Secretary of War may prescribe, and of spans of not less than two hundred feet in length in the clear on each side of the central or pivot piers of the draws, and the next adjoining spans over the river to the draws shall not be less than two hundred and fifty feet in the clear, measured at low water; and said spans shall not be less than ten feet above extreme high-water mark, measuring to the lowest part of the superstructure of the bridge; and the piers of said bridge shall be parallel with the current of the river at high water: *And provided also*, That said draw shall be opened promptly upon reasonable signal, without unnecessary delay; and said company or corporation shall maintain at its own expense, from sunset till sunrise, such lights or other signals on said bridge as the Light-House Board shall prescribe, and such sheer booms or other structures as may be necessary to guide vessels, rafts, or other water craft safely through said channel spans

*Provisos.* High bridge.

Drawbridge.

Lights, etc.