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CHAP. 165.—An Act To authorize the construction of drawless bridges across a certain portion of the Charles River in the State of Massachusetts.

February 27, 1911.
[H. R. 26150.]
[Public, No. 424.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Metropolitan Park Commission, or any town or city, or any other public body authorized by the State of Massachusetts, all or any of them, be, and they hereby are, authorized to construct, at any time hereafter, drawless bridges across the Charles River in the State of Massachusetts connecting River Street in Cambridge and Cambridge Street in the Brighton district, so called, of Boston, and at any other points upon said river, at, near, or above said Cambridge and River Streets: *Provided*, That said bridges shall be at least twelve feet above the ordinary level of the water in the basin over the main ship channel, and the piers and other obstructions to the flow of the river shall be constructed in such form and in such places as the Secretary of War shall approve: *Provided further*, That before the construction of said bridges or any of them is begun, the State of Massachusetts shall by legislative enactment provide for adequate compensation for the owner, owners, lessee or lessees of property abutting on said river above any of the said bridges, for damages if any caused to said property or leasehold interests therein by reason of interference with the access by water to said property, due to the construction of bridges without draws: *Provided further*, That said legislative enactment shall provide for the appointment of three commissioners to hear the parties in interest and assess the damages to said property; their decision as to the amount of damages and questions of fact to be final; said commissioners to be appointed by the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. Except as inconsistent herewith, this Act shall be subject to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Charles River.
Bridges authorized across between Cambridge and Boston, Mass.

Provisos.
Height, etc.

Compensation to owners of abutting property.

Commission to assess damages.

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

Amendment.

Approved, February 27, 1911.

CHAP. 166.—An Act Making appropriations for the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes.

February 27, 1911.
[H. R. 28632.]
[Public, No. 425.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums of money be, and are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available, and to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers for the construction, completion, repair, and preservation of the public works hereinafter named:

Rivers and harbors appropriations.

Breakwater from Mount Desert to Porcupine Island, Bar Harbor, Maine: Continuing construction, thirty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Secretary of War may enter into a contract or contracts for such materials and work as may be necessary to complete the said project, to be paid for as appropriations may from time to time be made by law, not to exceed in the aggregate one hundred and forty-five thousand two hundred dollars, exclusive of the amounts herein and heretofore appropriated.

Bar Harbor, Me.
Breakwater.
Proviso.
Contracts.

Improving Pepperells Cove, Maine: Continuing improvement, thirty-five thousand dollars.

Pepperells Cove, Me.

Improving Saco River, Maine: Completing improvement, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Saco River, Me.

Improving Exeter River, New Hampshire: Completing improvement in accordance with the report submitted in House Document

Exeter River, N. H.