

to St. Augustine.

United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be opened, in the territory of Florida, a public road from Pensacola to St. Augustine, commencing at Deer Point, on the bay of Pensacola, and pursuing the Old Indian Trail to the Cow Ford, on the Choctawhatchy river; thence, direct to the natural bridge on the Ecanfinan river; thence, to the Ochesee Bluff, on the Appalachicola river; thence, in the most direct practicable route, to the site of Fort St. Lewis; thence, as nearly as practicable, on the old Spanish road to St. Augustine, crossing the St. John's river at Picolata; which road shall be plainly and distinctly marked, and shall be of the width of twenty-five feet.

The troops of the United States to open the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ the troops of the United States, stationed in Florida, in such manner as he may think proper, in the completion, or in assisting in the completion, of said road.

20,000 dollars to be appropriated.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That, for defraying the expenses of opening the said road, the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

The most direct and practicable route to be surveyed from Cape Sable to where the Suwaney river will be intersected by the road from Pensacola to St. Augustine, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be surveyed and marked out, the most direct and practicable route for a public road from Cape Sable, passing by Charlotte Harbour and the bay of Tampa, to the point where the Suwaney river will be intersected by the road to be opened from Pensacola to St. Augustine, and to cause to be surveyed, and marked out, the route for a public road, from Cape Florida to St. Augustine.

3000 dollars to be appropriated.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That, for defraying the expenses of the surveys aforesaid, the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 28, 1824.

STATUTE I.

Feb. 28, 1824.

CHAP. XXIII.—*An Act to regulate the surveying of public and private lands in the southern part of Alabama.*

Lands to be attached to the district of the surveyor, and the deputy surveyor east of the island of New Orleans, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all the lands in the state of Alabama shall be attached to the district of the surveyor of the public lands in the state of Alabama, and the surveying of all public and private lands, in the said state, shall hereafter be made under his direction; and it shall be the duty of the deputy surveyor of the district east of the island of New Orleans, and east of Pearl river, to return the plats of all private claims within the state of Alabama, to the office of the said surveyor.

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STATUTE I.

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CHAP. XXV.—*An Act to extend the time limited for the settlement of private land claims in the territory of Florida.* (a)

[Expired.]
The act amending, &c. the act for ascertaining the titles to land in Florida, to be extended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the time limited for the settlement of private land claims in the territory of Florida, by an act of the seventeenth Congress, entitled "An act amending, and supplementary to, the act for ascertaining claims and titles to land in the territory of Florida, and to provide for the survey and disposal of the public lands in Florida, be, and the same is hereby, extended and enlarged, until the

Act of March 3, 1823, ch. 29, 34.

(a) See notes to the act of May 8, 1822, ch. 129.