

Technical, etc., services authorized.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby further authorized, without regard to civil-service laws, rules, or regulations, to obtain such special architectural or other expert technical services as he may deem necessary and specially order in writing, and to pay for such services such prices or rates of compensation as he may consider just and reasonable from the appropriation for said building, any statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, September 27, 1917.

September 28, 1917.
[H. R. 5335.]

[Public, No. 46.]

CHAP. 59.—An Act To extend the time for constructing a bridge across the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River near Warfield, Kentucky, and Kermit, West Virginia, authorized by an Act approved January twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Tug Fork of Big Sandy River, Ky. and W. Va.
Time extended for bridging, by Interstate Bridge Company.
Vol. 39, p. 7, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge authorized by the Act of Congress approved January twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, to be built across the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River near Warfield, Kentucky, and Kermit, West Virginia, are hereby extended to one year and three years, respectively, from the twenty-eighth day of January, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Amendment.

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

Approved, September 28, 1917.

October 1, 1917.
[H. R. 5431.]

[Public, No. 47.]

CHAP. 60.—An Act To authorize the construction, maintenance, and operation of a bridge across the Saline River, at or near Suttons Ferry, Arkansas.

Saline River, Bradley County, Ark., may bridge, Suttons Ferry.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county of Bradley, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Arkansas, its successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Saline River, at or near Suttons Ferry in the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section fifteen, township thirteen south, range nine west, of the fifth principal meridian on the Warren and Monticello Road, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Construction.
Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

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

Approved, October 1, 1917

October 1, 1917.
[S. 2705.]

[Public, No. 48.]

Aircraft Board.
Created for development of air service.

CHAP. 61.—An Act To create the Aircraft Board and provide for its maintenance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of expanding and coordinating the industrial activities relating to aircraft, or parts of aircraft, produced for any purpose in the United States, and to facilitate generally the development of air service, a board is hereby created, to be known as the Aircraft Board, hereinafter referred to as the board.

Composition.

SEC. 2. That the board shall number not more than nine in all, and shall include a civilian chairman, the Chief Signal Officer of the Army, and two other officers of the Army, to be appointed by the